



Hürsching, 05.01.2017

## INF-FNI CC Meeting Report held on 15<sup>th</sup> November 2016 at Wellington NZ

### 00. **WELCOME.**

The president opens the meeting at 9.15 and welcomes all present CC members:

Sieglinde Ivo, President  
Jean Peters, Vice-president Secretary (*minutes writer*)  
Rolf Hostettler, Vice-president Finances  
Huub Giesen, assessor for European countries  
Kay Hannam, assessor for non-European countries

### 01. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.**

The agenda is approved.

### 02. **MINUTES OF THE CC MEETING April 2016 AND ANY MATTERS ARISING WHICH ARE NOT ON THE AGENDA.**

### 03. **EUNAT/INF-FNI EVENTS**

03.01 Report on current state. INF-FNI received reports from all EuNat 2016 meetings.  
A new ENC secretary was elected in Laborde, Michael Hoffmann, approved by INF-FNI EC.

#### 03.02 Youth

Sieglinde informs the CC about the old ENY board that did not work at all and was dismissed from her functions by decision of INF-FNI EC.  
Until now, we got no report from the ENY springtime meeting 2016.  
Neither agenda nor other information about participants were available from ENY.  
The next springtime ENY meeting 2017 is foreseen in Le Betulle (IT) in July.

#### 03.03 Sport and Family Events

Publicized in the 2017 ENC event Calendar

03.04 Miscellaneous (Nothing)

### 04. **FINANCES**

#### 04.01 INF-FNI Financial Situation

According to Rolf's figures, the financial situation is acceptable, but loss of members continues.

#### 04.02 Balance, profits and losses and explanation.

Explained by RBH, no questions.

#### 04.03 Budgets INF-FNI 2015 – 16

Are available in the “protected” download.

04.04 EuNat finances, revising the percentage of actually 40%? (Congress 2016)

Explanation about EuNat history for *non-European* federations.....

*A complete history concerning EuNat is added at the end of these minutes especially to explain the structure of EuNat to non-European federations.*

The congress should fix the EuNat percentage to 33% again.

04.05 Miscellaneous (Nothing)

**05. GENERAL SECRETARIAT**

05.01 Staff (Explanations from **SIO** about the staff)

Actually, we have 3 people working in the office, namely: Petra is working 34 hours during 3 days (Monday, Thursday and Friday; Anna works one day for 6 hours assuming mainly financial items with Rolf; Simone is doing paper work as flyers, focus graphic layout and replaces other staff members in case of sickness or holidays.

This guarantees that the office is always occupied every working day during 3 or 4 hours, and that is very important.

There is a motion to the congress asking for a full time employee. This could be fine, but who will replace this employee (for 30 or 40 hours) in case of sickness or holidays? (5 weeks in Austria). It's also a question of money, because we are actually working with students and they are paid less than full time employees. (Minimum 1500€ per month + insurance + social security etc...)

**KHM** says that these figures are not relevant if the federations want it, it should be done.

**SIO**: According to our provisional calculations, a full-time employee would cost us a supplementary amount of 10 to 15000€ per year.

**HGS**: Thinks that the federations want that a constant presence on the phone line is needed. Perhaps we could arrange this with a phone service? We can think it over, but I think that you (Sieglinde) are responsible for the office and it's up to you to decide what you do.

**SIO**: We 3 (EC) are responsible for the office!

**HGN**: Yes, but you should explain how you do it.

**JPS**: Sorry, it's up to the federation who presents this motion to explain exactly what they want.

**SIO**: For me it's important that the office is occupied every day during some fixed hours. If a federation needs more information that the office cannot provide, they can send an E-mail to Jean, Rolf or to me and until now, an answer was always provided in less than 24 hours.

Furthermore: If a full time employee quits for whatever reasons (*remember the years before 2008 when Mieke was working in the INF office in Antwerp (BE)*) nobody was aware of the actual situation.

This cannot happen with our actual office procedures, because our E-Mail system is linked internally and this means that everybody from the EC has access to the 2 other E-mail boxes if needed. (Accident, holidays etc..)

**KHM**: Wants to have exact cost estimation for executing this procedure asked by this motion.

**JPS**: This is up to the federation putting this motion under “Financial Impact”.

**HGN**: Wants to talk about costs for renting an office in a larger city beneath an international airport as requested in this motion.

**SIO**: Actually, we pay 260€ per month for our office, heating included!

**HGN**: There was a question from Nick asking this. (*Close to an airport*)



**SIO:** Linz is located about 5 minutes from the Linz-Danube Airport with connections to all major airports.

#### 05.02 Office Systems

No problems with our office system.

#### 05.03 Miscellaneous: (Nothing)

### 06. INF – INF

#### 06.01 Forward planning of INF objectives – report – Working plan

**SIO:** We must change some responsible persons for the working plan.

In Ireland, all delegates approved the working plan established by Bernd and promised to participate. It is impossible to establish an activity report concerning 2014- 2016 due to a lack of participation from federations. All we can do now is trying to activate this working plan again for the next 2 years and we have to update the responsible persons for points 1 to 13, send it out again to federations and ask them to collaborate more actively for 2016-2018. (*SIO explains what has been done by the EC during the last 2 years*). Improvements of our webpage are almost finalized and will include a Web-Shop (INF-FNI flags etc.) and an online form to subscribe to our focus magazine. Included will be a direct link to INF-FNI “latest NEWS” that was actually only accessible by the search function “News”.

**KHM:** How many people actually order the FOCUS and is it really necessary?

**JPS:** If the federations would inform their members about this facility, it would not be necessary!

**KHM:** What do you think about a person not involved in naturism ordering the FOCUS?

**JPS:** Why not, it’s an official document for everyone and also a good publicity for INF-FNI.

**KHN:** Do we have statistics about how many people are visiting our homepage?

**JPS:** No, we only have statistics on clicks to paid advertising and if statistics for every click were requested, we would need an expensive software update.

**SIO:** It’s not interesting for us to know if 200 or 250 people click on the Focus page.

The normal procedure for distributing the Focus magazine is: The INF-FNI Office sends the Focus to the federations, they should forward it to their clubs and the clubs should inform their members. But not all federations comply with this procedure, that’s one of the reasons we are publicizing the Focus on our homepage. (*Open download*)

**KHM:** Another question: I recently asked JPS twice to include a link to the WC2016 on the INF-FNI homepage, but I never got an answer.

**JPS:** As I said before, this is not possible on our homepage without an expensive software update. This was never done for other congresses and if you wanted this, you should have informed us after 2014 to include it in our actual update to be finalized soon. The WC2016 was present in our “Event Calendar” and also in the EuNat event calendar (*Some discussions between KHM, JPS, HGN and SIO about technical possibilities*)

**JPS:** We have a meeting in December with our technical staff and we will try to find a solution to display the next major events.

**SIO:** Let’s review points 1 to 13 of the working plan for modifications.

**KHM:** Asks about costs for fairs.

**SIO/JPS:** We are now discussing and updating the working plan, fairs are listed under point 11.

**JPS:** Just a moment, I will update these items right away in my documents.

(*All points of the working plan are updated due to some changes in responsible CC persons for points 1 to 13 and will be uploaded to the download center.*)



**KHM** asks in how many fairs INF-FNI is participating

**SIO**: Actually, INF-FNI participates at 4 fairs.

**JPS**: We are now jumping from one point to another, let's finish the WP first!

**HGN**: Informs us that Nick Caunt wants to be removed from Working Plan point 3.

**SIO**: Wants Kay and Huub to participate in promoting input for the Focus, stories from different federations.

**KHN**: How many federations are European and how many non-European federations do we have?

**JPS**: It's listed on the voting list, 24 European and 9 non-European.

**SIO** explains that deadlines for Focus editions must be respected and articles must be sent in one of the 3 INF-FNI languages for translations.

**SIO**: We started with the Focus in 2008 and all federation promised to send input, but the result was almost zero.

**SIO** asks KHN to provide a maximum of 3 pages concerning the congress for the next Focus edition.

**SIO**: We must discuss this point 10 during the meeting, that's important because: We asked the federations to send us their graphic layout for flyers to be printed by INF-FNI free of charge in order to standardize, but we only received 7 flyers from federations. (*SIO gives some explanations about the flyer layout*)

**KHN** asks if the contacts with federations and clubs are working well. (1.09.23)

**SIO** answers that many federations don't want that INF-FNI gets in touch directly with their clubs, I don't know why? It is important for us to update their data on our homepage, especially for larger clubs than DFK, FFN and NFN listing their clubs on their own homepage. Why don't they forward these modifications to Jean who could update them?

**SIO**: Many clubs don't even know that they can register themselves on our homepage. The federations should inform their clubs about this possibility.

**HGN**: Asks JPS to send him a list of NFN clubs registered on INF-FNI homepage. (*Was done by JPS during the meeting break..*)

## 06.02 Legal problems and campaigning – report

DNU-DN solution: We will try to discuss this with the Danish delegate (*Søren V. Frank*) attending the Congress. (*Sieglinde explains that they had an agreement for cooperation some years ago and that they cancelled it*).

-----12.00-----break, resume 13.30

## 06.03 Surveys

**SIO**: Do we need a survey and if yes, who will do it?

NFN Motion N° 1 concerning statistics. We have to wait for the voting result before taking any action. If this motion is accepted, we have to do something.

**KHM**: What kind of statistics do they want?

**SIO**: I think they want statistics about each click on the homepage.

**HGN**: They should explain what they exactly want; but we have wait for their explanations during the congress.

**SIO** suggest that both assessors (*Huub for EU and Kay from non-EU*) should do surveys with the federations.

**SIO**: But don't ask 5 or more questions at once, but ask 1 or maximum 3 questions every half a year, otherwise you won't get any answer. You may then present the results during the next Congress. (*Several discussions about the NFN motion*)

**JPS**: Remember that NFN motion N° 1 consist of 4 points, namely:

1 on how many clubs/resorts the INF-FNI stamp is compulsory for admission?

2 how many club/resorts offer reduction (or other advantages) to the owners of INF-FNI stamps?

3 how often visitors of the INF-FNI website links to the site of the affiliated federations?  
4 how often the INF-FNI redirects individuals to the affiliated federation for a direct membership?

**SIO:** If you ask the EU-federations, you get the answer “top-secret” and from BN there was no answer at all. From the last survey concerning age structure, we got 3 answers! The same happened during the WC2014 (Ireland) where all federations agreed on the working plan, but almost no input was provided.

**HGN** says that the federations putting such a motion should clearly explain during the congress how they expect it to be done and make valid proposals inviting all federations to participate. It makes no sense putting a motion and waiting to 2 years until the next congress to expect a result.

**SIO:** I suggest that both assessors should do these surveys together; it's more appreciated by federations.

**HGN:** I would like to know what is expected from NFN for this motion.

**JPS:** Points 1 and 2 are clearly visible on our homepage.

#### 06.04 Certification and certification stickers 2016/2017

**SIO:** Stickers were sent out to clubs by INF-FNI office, some of them came back, address unknown.

**KHM:** How did they send them out?

**SIO:** By postal way.

**KHM** suggest that when sending out certification stickers to add a form to renew their certification for the following year.

**SIO** The idea of the certification sticker was that the resorts should at least ask for the INF-FNI membership card and to eventually hand over a flyer from the national federation. Some resorts (eg. Koversada – Solaris) in Croatia grant 5 to 10% discount on the campsite fees.

**KHM:** We don't grant discounts, people going to a naturist site know this and I think that this is a wrong image of naturism that we are giving.

**SIO:** That's ok for the big holiday resorts, they can do it opposite to the small clubs asking for a membership card, they can decide that you must have a card to enter. But you can't ask the big holiday centres, especially in France, to proceed this way due to their commercial behaviour. We can also decide that publicity is only accepted in our Focus for accredited clubs.

#### 06.05 Advertising – changes of website

**SIO:** Actually, we have no more requests from resorts for a paid advertising, so no change is needed.

**RBH:** This year, we got a new advertising from the German Travel Agency “Miramare” replacing an old one from Italy.

Last CC meeting we talked about NFN travel agencies. RBH contacted them, but we got no answer.

06.06 Advertising other than website (Nothing)

#### 06.07 Focus

**SIO:** Actually, we have 1 paid advertising in our Focus. (Le Betulle) We should invite clubs to advertise in our Focus magazine. The cost are 500€ for 6 editions (one full year) and 100€ for a single editions.

**KHM** asks how much advertising could be accepted for the focus.

**SIO:** We could insert a single advertising per page.

#### 06.08 Admission and Contacts with prospective new federations

**SIO:** That's Jean's job.

**JPS:** Actually, we have added 2 correspondents from Africa, Senegal and Cameroun and we have accepted Malta as new federation. Senegal is very active; they are setting up a new campsite.

**SIO:** And they are mainly speaking French.

**JPS:** We also got a motion from Switzerland proposing to request a minimum number of members to be accepted as federation.

**SIO:** We have to wait for the voting result before taking any action.

**JPS:** That's not possible especially for small countries that only start with a legal registration and committee before they can admit new members. E.g.: Malta

**KHM:** How many members would you consider as minimum? I suggest that a minimum of 25 members could make it more credible.

**JPS:** Normally we are proceeding as follows: When we have a request from a person wanting to create a new federation, we propose him to be registered as "correspondent" for his country. This allows him to be member of the INF-FNI, to show on our website that he is belonging to INF-FNI (*good publicity and assistance to legal authorities*) a gives him time to create a legal federation and to contact us again for ordinary membership. This worked perfectly with Africa.

**KHN:** I think the Swiss are going on top of the scale and you are going to the lower part of the scale, I think that something in between is more suitable.

**JPS:** Do you have a proposal?

**KHM:** You should ask the federations.

**SIO:** I think we should remain in the lower part of the scale.

**JPS:** We also have to respect the local laws of the concerned countries. If they are legally accepted there, we can't refuse them.

*(Some more discussions, but no decision is taken, waiting for congress results)*

#### 06.09 Censorship on website and Facebook

**SIO:** I only do a minimum on Facebook, promoting events etc., but it's very difficult to follow this.

#### 06.10 Legal aspect of INF-FNI honorary president – Council of elders!

**SIO:** We have a congress motion that was prepared by Jean and Hervé.

**JPS:** The reason is that we have "honorary presidents", but this title is not foreseen in our statutes. So, the reason is to legalize this position.

**KHM:** Is it for an honorary president or honorary (*unreadable*)?

**SIO:** Honorary President and honorary Member.

**JPS:** What about Council of Elders?

**SIO:** We had this in the past (*Club of the old wise men*)

**KHM:** We have Charles as honorary Vice-president; is that in the statutes?

**SIO:** Not yet, but that's the purpose of our motion to legalize this. The other one is George.

**KHM:** What is the financial aspect for these people?

**SIO:** Until now, everything was paid for these people but with this change they will only get the same subsidy that our federations actually get.

**KMH:** If you have 5 to 6 honorary members, the expenses could rise to 5 to 6000€.

#### 06.11 10-year-cycles for overseas congresses. (INF-FNI Motion)

**SIO:** Until now this was supposed to be a so called "gentlemen agreement" until the former president of the Belgian Naturist Federation FBN informed us after the WC2014 in Ireland that this was a decision during a WC he attended and where his father was a CC committee member, but the related minutes are no more available.

I remember that for the congress in Brazil 2008 the EC took a decision to disregard this 10 years rule because the congress in Brazil was the cheapest for INF-FNI and for the delegate we ever had.

**KHM:** I think that the delegates appreciated to be here at the congress in New-Zealand. (As this an INF-FNI motion to this congress, we have to wait the for congress decision....)

**SIO:** Charles Oberfell also told us that this 10 years rule was a decision of the CC after the congress in Spain.

**RBH:** We already got a proposal for the World Congress 2024 from SANNA (South-Africa). That's only 8 year from now on.

**KHM:** I think when you change rules; you got to let it ratified by the federations. You just can't rely on the memory of a former president. Obviously, it wasn't done properly in the first place, so you have to do it again.

**SIO:** We have a motion, so let's people decide.

## 07. INTERNET

### 07.01 Advertising:

**JPS:** We will check Kay's proposal for the possibilities with our technical IT staff to insert a new location for publishing events, but limited to INF-FNI congresses and EuNat meetings.

### 07.02 Recent development of the website – online discussion forum.

**SIO:** The used "Online Forum" was not used by federations and was deleted by mid-2016 by HGN.

**JPS:** The Internet page update is almost completed and will be online just after the WC2016.

### 07.03 Links

**SIO:** Will be used as mentioned under point 07.02

### 07.04 Miscellaneous (nothing)

Coffee break 1500 -----resume at 15.15

## 08. PUBLIC RELATIONS

### 08.01 Report on the current state.

**SIO:** INF-FNI flyers updated and actually only 7 requests for flyers from federations. FFN said that they have their own flyer and the DFK said that they don't need it. The INF-FNI flyer is on our website available for everyone. Fairs 2017 are mentioned under point 11.

### 08.02 Advertising materials. (We just talked about it)

### 08.03 Miscellaneous.

## 09. 35<sup>th</sup> INF-FNI WORLD CONGRESS 2016, Wellington, NEW ZEALAND

**KHM:** Says that the promotion for this WC2016 was very difficult in Europe.

*(Some explanations from Kay about promotion in New-Zealand)*

**SIO:** There might be a big difference in Congress promotion in Europe versus New-Zealand. If a Congress is held in Netherlands or Germany, it is only promoted internally. Things are perhaps different in France, where the people are more open-minded to naturism. I think that promoting in Europe will not bring you more members, especially in Austria where people can go to many free naturist beaches without paying anything.

**JPS:** We had a lot of success in Luxembourg after the EuNat meeting 2015, not by promoting it, but inviting the local press that was pleased that they could interview delegates from different countries. I therefore think that inviting the press is the most effective way of promotion in Europe.

**KHM:** This worked very well for New-Zealand. Another thing that we have never done before was to get partners contributing to the costs for volunteers; you can see their logo at different places. (*She gives some explanations about the organization of the NZ Congress and complains that no subsidy is granted to federations willing to organize Congress to pay travel and lodging expenses for the Congress organization Committee etc*).

**SIO:** Until now, no subsidy was ever granted to federations for this purpose. Organizing a congress is PR for them and PR is never for free, that's their contribution. She asks RBH for his opinion.

**RBH:** We are losing 15'000 member, so we have less income. We now have 144'000 members and if we continue losing 15'000 members each year and if we continue this way, INF-FNI won't exist anymore in ten years.

**SIO:** Just remember Ireland that has only 200 members and they organized the Congress without any financial assistance from INF-FNI.

**KHM:** I don't say that his is a good or bad idea.

**SIO:** Until now, we never got a complaint from a federation asking for financial assistance by INF-FNI. The same applies to EuNat meetings.

**HGN:** We could think about it.

**KHM:** OK.

#### 09.01 **Bid for WC 2018 congress.**

The INF-FNI EC received a bid for the next congress location from the Luxembourgish Naturist Federation (FLN) dated 07.11.2016 to be held at the "Fuusekaul" campsite well known for EuNat meetings 2010 and 2015. The date will be fixed at a later stage subject to approval by GA-2016. (*Probably the first or second week of September*)

### 10. **COUNTRIES**

10.01 Senegal - **RBH** shows a report and some pictures about a resort project in Senegal.

10.02 Denmark – **SIO:** We will talk with Soren in the next days to find a solution concerning the DNU-DN conflict. We could tell Soren if a solution is not found within the next two years, the next Congress has to decide which association in Denmark (DNU or DN) is ordinary member of INF-FNI.

**JPS:** The question is: They had an agreement, why did they cancel it?

10.03 Malaysia – Proposal as Correspondent.

**HGN** has contacts to Malaysia. Proposal as Correspondent?

**KHM:** Why don't these people contact INF-FNI office?

**HGN:** They found my mail address on the homepage.

10.04 United States motion, discussions.

**KHM:** What about other federal states? (Brazil, Switzerland...)

**JPS:** It's limited to US states (or groups of states) in our motion.

### 11. **DATES for future Meetings and Events**

11.01 Which member of the executive committee is going to which meetings (6.12?)

11.02	Fair in Utrecht	SIO, Rosita (on her own costs)
11.03	Fair in Paris	JPS
11.04	Fair in Milano or Bologna	SIO
11.05	Fair in Germany	SIO
11.06	Alpe Adriatic meeting	SIO, JPS
11.07	BN Nudefest meeting	RBH
11.08	DFK-Rosenfelde + Naked Run	SIO
11.09	NL-Petanque	SIO, HG
11.10	ES-South European meeting	SIO
11.11	IT-Swimming Gala	SIO
11.12	IT-ENY meeting Le Betulle	HG – (To be confirmed during EuNat meeting)

## 12. MISCELLANEOUS OR OTHER URGENT MATTERS ONLY

- 12.01 **EC meeting December 2016** (in Austria)  
Mainly technical session with our Internet staff to finalize our homepage update.
- 12.02 Possibility to hold the CC meeting prior (22<sup>nd</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> May) to the EuNat meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> of May 2017.

Sieglinde thanks everyone for attending this CC meeting.

**END at 16.45**

Sieglinde Ivo  
(INF-FNI President)



Jean Peters  
(INF-FNI Secretary)



*(Check EuNat information on next page)*

## To whom it may concern.... EuNat History:

EuNat was created and accepted during the World Congress 2008 in Brazil following a motion of the former German DFK president, Kurt Fischer. It is a gathering of European federations and was intended to replace the former European Federations meetings, called "Interfederal Meeting". EuNat is neither mentioned in INF-FNI Statutes nor in INF-FNI by-laws.

The purpose was to finance the European Sport and Family meetings self-governing as follows: European federations pay 1.16 € per INF-FNI stamp and initially a provision of 33% of this stamp income was blocked in the INF-FNI accounts at EuNat's disposal for financing their events. After 2010, this percentage was increased to 40% of the European stamps income.  
*(European federations pay 1.16€ per stamp, non-European federations only 0.60€ per stamp, the remaining difference 0.56€ being foreseen for organizing their own events)* The amount granted to EuNat is only 0.46€ per stamp.

During the 1<sup>st</sup> EuNat Meeting 2009 in Laborde (FR), a EuNatCom (European Naturist Commission) committee was elected and consisted of 3 persons: A German as Youth officer, a Frenchman as Sport officer and a Spaniard as so called "Coordinator". The name proposals "EuNat" and "EuNatCom" were approved by the delegates attending the meeting.

Between 2009 and 2010 nothing happened, because there were language difficulties between those 3 EuNatCom members.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> EuNat meeting was held in Luxembourg and the Luxembourgish federation "FLN" proposed separate rules for EuNat meetings, EuNatCom and Sport /Family events. These rules were accepted by the conference and a new 3-lingual EuNatCom secretary was elected to replace the "Coordinator": Jean Peters, president of FLN.

During the following years (2011-2016), these rules were constantly updated to meet specific EuNat requirements and one can say that it actually works well. An interesting thing to imitate is the solidarity within EuNat because a maximum allocation of 400€ for travel and accommodation costs has been granted to small federations (*with less than 400 members*), payable on presentation of proofs.

As Jean was elected to the CC of INF-FNI as secretary during the WC2014 in Ireland, he resigned from his post as EuNat secretary during the EuNat meeting 2016 in Laborde (FR) and was replaced by a 3-lingual person, namely Michael Hoffmann.

Useless to say that EuNat never refused the participation of non-European INF-FNI members to EuNat Sport Events as insinuated by some non-European federations. These meetings were attended by members of Israel, Egypt and even Brazil etc..., just to name a few!

The next EuNat meeting will take place in Denmark from 25<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> May 2017, organised by DNU, and is the 8<sup>th</sup> EuNat meeting. (*And the 42<sup>nd</sup> interfederal meeting since the beginning*)

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