



**International Ragweed Society**

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## **Minutes of the Committee meeting**

**Date:** September 8<sup>th</sup> at 18:45.

**Location:** University of Budapest – congress IRS 2022

**Chairpersons:** Michel THIBAUDON, Sandra CITTERIO

### **Agenda:**

- 1 IRS Website**
- 2 Approval of newly elected Committee members**
- 3 Financial report**
- 4 IRC 2022 Budapest**
- 5 Report of the IRS Auditor**
- 6 Agenda of the General Assembly**
- 7 Honour members**
- 8 Approval of the new IRS board (only new committee members)**
- 9 List of IRS members**
- 10 Miscellaneous**

**Participants:** Michel THIBAUDON, Sandra CITTERIO, Maira BONINI, Laszlo MAKRA, Gilles OLIVER, MÜLLER-SCHÄRER, Arnaud MONTY, Vicroria RODINKOVA, Franziska ZEMMER, Valentina CERIOTTI

### 1. IRS website:

Large increase of the IRS website visits in 2022 due to the activities organized by IRS during 2022 such as Budapest IRC

### 2. Approval of newly elected Committee members

Election results for Committee members:

International Ragweed Society				
Elections of Committee members 2022: results				
Name	Country	Number of votes	Percentage	Status
Laszlo MAKRA	Hungary	22	100%	Elected
Roberto ALBERTINI	Italy	18	82%	Elected
Gilles OLIVER	France	18	82%	Elected
Uwe STARFINGER	Germany	17	77%	Elected
Heinz MÜLLER-SCHÄRER	Switzerland	16	73%	Elected
Olivier PECHAMAT	France	16	73%	Elected
Victoria RODINKOVA	Ukraine	16	73%	Elected
Boris FUMANAL	France	15	68%	Elected
Arnaud MONTY	Belgium	15	68%	Elected

Number of members at the date of the election: 32

Number of participants: 22

Approved by the Committee

### 3. Financial report

#### Financial statement: 2020

IRS financial statements (EUR) 2020	Swiss bank		TOTAL	French Bank		TOTAL
Swiss Bank and French Bank situation at 31/12/2019			5074.97			777.75
mouvement 2020	OUTCOMES	INCOMES		OUTCOMES	INCOMES	
Account management	88.78			63		
Account transfer*	107.27				100	
Board expenses	0					
IRS Activity	0			24.17		
FEES	0				592.2	
Total	196.05	0	087.17	692.2		604.83
Situation at 31/12/2020			4878.92			1382.78
TOTAL at 31/12/2020						6261.70

## Financial statement: 2021

IRS financial statements (EUR) 2021	Swiss bank		TOTAL	French Bank		TOTAL
Swiss Bank and French Bank						
situation at 31/12/2020			4878.92			1382.78
mouvement 2021	OUTCOMES	INCOMES		OUTCOMES	INCOMES	
Account management	82.84					
Account transfer		0				
Renewal domain names		0		24.17		
IRS Activity		0				
FEES (AlphaVisa)		0			280,94	
Total	82.84		082.84	24.17	280.94	256.77
Situation at 31/12/2021			4796.08			1639.55
TOTAL at 31/12/2021						6435.63

## Financial statement: 2022

IRS financial statements (EUR) 2022	Swiss bank		TOTAL	French Bank		TOTAL
Swiss Bank and French Bank						
situation at 31/12/2021			4796.08			1639.55
mouvement 2022	OUTCOMES	INCOMES		OUTCOMES	INCOMES	
Account management	52.93			50.7		
Account transfer*		0			2000*	
Renewal hosting and security (3 years)		0		519.85		
Sto Media KFT**		0		2680.98**		
FEES (AlphaVisa)		0				
Total	52.93		052.93	3251.53	2000	1251.53
Situation at 30/06/2022			4743.15			388.02
TOTAL at 30/06/2022						5131.17
*Cash advance to be repaid						
** Invoice of 80.98 to recover						

## 4 IRS international symposium in Budapest on September 2022

### Program:

Keynotes: 3

Oral communications: 28 from 8 countries

Posters: 9 from 7 countries

Registration: around 56 persons

16 countries: France, Belgium, Poland, Italy, Latvia, Hungary, Serbia, Switzerland, Austria, Israel, Spain, Ukraine, USA, Romania, Croatia, Iceland.

### Partners and sponsors

Partners and Sponsors of the international meeting of the community working on ragweed and related areas:

- European Aerobiological Society
- International Association for Aerobiology
- Alk-Abello
- Lanzoni
- Corteva Agriscience
- Syngenta Ltd.
- Sumi Agro Hungary Ltd.
- Nufarm Hungária Ltd.
- National Public Health Center, Hungary
- University of Szeged, Faculty of Agriculture
- Hungarian Interbranch Organization for Ornamental Horticulture

Financial supports:

- Syngenta (150,000 HUF, cca 375 EUR)
- Sumi Agro Ltd (100,000 HUF, cca 250 EUR)
- Nufarm Hungary Ltd (75,000 HUF, cca 187 EUR)
- ALK (2500 EUR)
- EAS (2000 EUR)
- IAA (only grants!)
- LANZONI (2000 EUR)

Total: 7312 EUR

## **5. Report and appointment of the Auditor (Franziska ZEMMER)**

### **INFORMATION USED FOR THIS REPORT:**

1. Budget tables provided by Michel Thibaudon
2. List of members
3. Minutes of the meetings
4. Statutes

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### **REPORT SUMMARY:**

ad 1) The IRS has a Swiss and French bank account.

The financial report 31/12/19-31/12/20 There were 20ct less in the total of the French Bank BUT the end-result is correct.

The financial report 31/12/20-30/12/21 is correct.

The financial report 31/12/21-30/06/22 is correct

- It is recommended to provide evidence (scans of invoices etc.) for the transactions included in the balance sheet

ad 2) Member list on 5th September 22

21 Membership Fees paid till' 22

19 Membership Fees paid till' 24

ad 3) 12 Committee meetings; 2 General Assemblies

The minutes of all meetings were presented

- It is recommended to abide to Art. 5 of the statutes "The financial year begins on 1st January and end on 31st December".

## **6. Agenda of the General Assembly:**

1. Welcome address (Michel THIBAUDON)
2. Approval of the minutes of the last General Assembly
3. Report on IRS activities (Michel THIBAUDON and Sandra CITTERIO)
4. Membership overview and Financial report (Olivier PECHAMAT) -Approval
5. Report and appointment of the Auditor (Franziska ZEMMER)
6. Membership fees
7. Honour members
8. Approval of newly elected Committee members
9. Approval of the new IRS board and nomination of the Auditor
10. Miscellaneous

## **7. Honour members**

The Committee approved the proposal by Roberto A. to appoint the past Presidents (Tamas KOMIVES, Maira BONINI and Michel THIBAUDON) as honorary members.

## 8. Approval of the new IRS board

After a challenging discussion, Laszlo M. and Heinz M.S. accepted the positions of President and Vice President (with no obligation to become President afterwards) of the IRS for the next 2 years, after which a new election will be organized

President: Laszlo MAKRA

Vice-President: Heinz MÜLLER-SCHÄRER

Secretary: Arnaud MONTY

Treasures(s): Roberto ALBERTINI and Olivier PECHAMAT

Webmaster: Gilles OLIVER

Auditors : Franziska ZEMMER and Valentina CERIOTTI

## 9. List of IRS members

IRS members to end of 2022	IRS members to end of 2024
Roberto ALBERTINI	Roberto ALBERTINI
Maira BONINI	Maira BONINI
Sandra CITTERIO	Valentina CERIOTTI
Bernard CLOT	Zita DORNER
Adrien DELFORGE	Boris FUMANAL
Gerhard KARRER	Dora IVANYI
Poliana LERU	Bojan KONSTANTINOVIC
Laszlo MAKRA	Laszlo MAKRA
Joe MILLER	Chiara MONTAGNANI
Arnaud MONTY	Erny NIEDERBERGER
Heinz MÜLLER-SCHÄRER	Milena POPOV
Erny NIEDERBERGER (SWISSEN)	Victoria RODINKOVA
Mohammed OSMAN	Ingrida SAULIENE
Olivier PECHAMAT (FREDON FRANCE) including Marilou MOTT	Aleksandra SAVIC
Chantal DECHAMP (AFEDA) including Jordina BELMONTE	Olga SOZINOVA
Ingrida SAULIENE	Michel THIBAUDON
Marie-Josée SIMARD	Stefan TOEPFER
Oleg STANOV	Peter TOTH
Jennifer SUSSMAM	Mihaly ZALAI
Michel THIBAUDON (RNSA) including Gilles OLIVER	Matthias WERCHAN
Franziska ZEMER	Barbora WERCHAN

Poliana Leru paid the fee (2022-2024) during the IRS Congress in Budapest

## **10. Miscellaneous**

Membership period 2022-2024: fees

- Not Retired: 50 €
- Retired ( $\geq 65$  years old): 30 €
- Students: 30 €
- Institutions: 200 €

The new Committee decided not to change the fees

Michel THIBAUDON  
IRS President

Sandra CITTERIO  
IRS Secretary