

# 29th ISGF WORLD CONFERENCE

# REPORT





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## Introduction

Due to constraints on travel world-wide resulting from the COVID 19 pandemic, which commenced in 2020, the Conference was held virtually with the platform party and a small team based in Brussels. During the Conference only urgent official business was presented.



### Opening of the World Conference

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Zalillah Mohd Taib, World Committee Chairman, opens the work of the conference by welcoming warmly all the participants with a video speech :

Zalillah :



*“Dear World Committee, Regional and Subregional Committees, guests, Fellowships and Central Branch members from near and far: Good morning, good afternoon, and good evening! WELCOME!*

*Before I start, I would like to borrow your hands to welcome our new Central Branch group candidates and countries that have worked very hard to become NSGF. It is my great pleasure to welcome you to the ISGF’s 29th and first ever virtual online World Conference. It wasn’t an easy decision and I am glad that the World Committee worked hard as a team to face all the challenges we met along the way. Particularly Wahid Labidi, our vicechair who led the World Conference team and NSGF Spain who put in so much effort for the supposed physical World Conference in Madrid, Spain.*

*I am grateful to our committee member Elín Richards & ex-officio Leny Doelman who volunteered themselves to cover our Secretary General, Nathalie Henrard when she was on maternity leaves. Without the two of them, many things won’t be able to run smoothly.*

*I would also like to take this opportunity to thank NSGFs who extended their helping hands and suggestions to help us with the World Conference. Unfortunately, we were not able to take them all as we have many other considerations. All of us had gone through two very tough years! Most of us were or are still affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. The ISGF World Committee and World Bureau too can’t run away from this unwelcomed pandemic, we faced financial and many other challenges just like all of you. I am sure you have already read from the circulars that sent out by the World Bureau. I seek for your active participation in all the conference sessions with suggestions and feedback. Despite all the challenges we faced, I witnessed the unstoppable force of perseverance from all of you to get through this challenging time.*

*Most of us indeed preferred to have a face-to-face conference where we could have discussions, updates and share endless laughter together. But the reality hit us hard, there is nothing much we can do about it as there are too many travel restrictions from different countries and of course our lives are precious. We do not want to expose your lives to unnecessary risk.*

*We had received resolution on environment, lastly a proposition from Norway supported by Sweden and Finland to organize working groups during the 30th conference in 2024 to discuss environmental matters. The topic is sufficiently important to prepare the work of the 30th Conference between now and the conference. I will propose to the World Committee after this conference to create a correspondence group for this preparation.*

*With that, I would like to inform you that NSGF Spain has accepted our offer to be the host for the 30th ISGF World Conference.*

*Lastly, I would like to say a big THANK YOU to all our NSGFs, without your endless support, the movement would not have been able to come this far. So let us continue to walk hand-in-hand to a brighter future and keep thriving! Thank you.!”*



Zalillah declares the World Conference is open and gives the floor to the platform party located in Brussels, in Belgium. The members of the panel are from left to right :

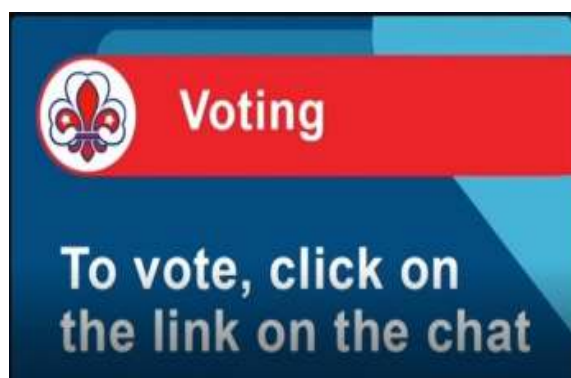
Nathalie Henrard (Secretary General, Belgium)  
Martine Lévy (proposed to be WConf Chair, France)  
Cécile Bellet (proposed to be WConf Vice-Chair, Belgium)



There was tribute to ISGF “gone home” members and a minute of silence observed in their memory:

Austria: Jutta and Werner Weilguny, Hans Strouhal, Kurt Pribich, Wilfried Martschini, Helmut Hauer, Margareta Schopper, Karl Homole  
Burkina Faso: Sabine Zigani Denmark/Danemark: Karin Boldsen, Paulli Martin  
Egypt: Abdelmalek Al-Zeini, Muhammad Al-Attar, Camelia Farhat  
Estonia: Ingrid Junisov Ghana: Saban Laryea, Salih Debi, Dorinda Bannerman Bruce, Jane Berko, Divine Dorlah  
Greece: Aris Sklivaniotis, Pantelis Dandolos, Maria Emiri, Anthoula Alatza, Aglaea Marouga  
India: Shiv Ram Mehta  
Lebanon: Dr. Suhail Bawji, Yousef Dandan  
Libya: Ali Sbeta, Abdalla Mudi, Basher Alhount, Zahra Jaefar, Basher Shnaty, Jamal Abdulaziz, Mohamed Kerwat, Abraheem Ahweedi, Abdulsalam Qddosha, Saleh Shenib, Hossni Ben Zarraa, Abdulrazq Bani, Fekri Khayat, Mohammed Alhouni, Khairia Kablan  
Morocco: Rharbi Taoufik, Guédira Abdelaziz, Jebrou Abdeljabbar  
Portugal: Rosa Leite  
Suriname: Pauline Landburg-Hermelijn, Francisca Rusland-Engelbrecht, Lea Huyzen, Henriette Reid, Elly Bourne-Monsels  
Uganda: Arch-Bishop Dr. Mpalanyi Livingstone Nkoyoyo, Mboize Max  
United Kingdom: David Mowbray, Jennifer Roberts  
Venezuela: Rodney Martinez Moncada

### Voting system for the World Conference online



The Rules of Procedure have been adapted for the virtual Conference. The voting is done with online voting forms. Delegates must click on the link that appears in the chat to receive the voting form. In the voting forms there are three choices: in favour, against or abstain. Once the choice has been made it cannot be changed. For the election of World Committee members, delegates (full member countries) can vote with 3 votes and only use one vote for each candidate they wish to vote for.

Before each vote the participants are reminded who can vote by the Secretary General. On each day the conference was quorate as there were more than 50% +1 of the Member Countries present (Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> February 2022 the number present was 44 = 22 + 1 = 23 for a simple majority and on Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> February 2022 the number was 50 = 25 + 1 = 26 for a simple majority).



## Programme

Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup> February 2022 12.00PM-1.30PM (Brussels time)			
N°	Agenda Item	Doc.	Voting
0	Opening by the Chairman of the ISGF World Committee.		
1	Verification of the quorum of the World Conference		Vote
2	2.1 Appointment of the Chairman of the World Conference	Circular 11	In ONE vote
	2.2 Appointment of the Vice-Chairman of the World Conference		
	2.3 Appointment of the Resolution Committee		
	2.4 Appointment of the Tellers		
3	Approval of the Rules of Procedure of the World Conference	Circular 03	vote
4	Approval of the Agenda Circular 02	Circular 02	vote
5	Proposal for Membership:		
	5.1 Candidates to Full Membership	Circulars 05A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L	vote
	5.2 Candidates to Associate Membership		vote
	5.3 Cancellation of Membership	Circular 09	vote
	5.4 Loss of Membership		
6	Presentation of Candidates to the ISGF World Committee	Circular 04C	
7	Election of three (3) World Committee members 2022-2027		vote
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> February 2022 12.00PM-1.30PM (Brussels time)			
8	Finance: Membership fees	Circular 07	vote
9	Motions proposed by the ISGF World Committee	Circular 08	vote
10	Motions proposed by National Scout and Guide Fellowships	Circular 08F	vote
11	Confirmation to host the 30 <sup>th</sup> ISGF World Conference in Madrid, Spain in 2024		
12	Finance	Circular 10	vote
	Q&A session		
13	ISGF World Committee quadrennial report 2017 - 2021	Circular 6	vote
14	Presentation of resolutions		vote
15	Closing of the Conference		

The Conference starts with the appointment of : the Chairman of the World Conference (Martine Levy, France), the Vice-Chairman of the World Conference (Cécile Bellet, Belgium), the Resolution Committee (Jane Wardropper, UK; Jean-François Lévy, France) and the Tellers (Elin Richards, Iceland; Leny Doelman, Netherlands).

Martine Levy, World Conference Chairman, welcomes everyone and draws attention to the unfortunate situation during which this World Conference is held, where Ukraine is being at war with Russia. She reminds everyone of Baden Powell's quote : "A scout is a friend to all and is a brother to every other Scout" and urges all the participants to think of them deeply and fraternally. She starts her speech " It is a honour to have been asked by the World Committee to chair this conference and thank you all for voting. Let me introduce our Vice-Chairman, Cécile Bellet (former secretary general) and Nathalie Henrard, our new secretary general, you may not have met her yet but you will meet her later next time. Thanks to them for helping me in this World Conference. My thanks go to everyone involved with the 29<sup>th</sup> World Conference, and especially all NSGF's for accepting all the changes that have come about as a result of the pandemic, and I hope you enjoy the new way of working ! "



## Resolution Committee report

### Resolutions of the 29<sup>th</sup> World conference

#### **Resolution1: Rules of procedure**

The Conference, having received the rules of procedure for the special conference on-line, accepts them.

#### **Resolution 2: Officials**

The Conference, having received the propositions by the World Committee, accepts the following nominations

**Chair** Mrs Martine LEVY

**Vice-chair** Mrs Cécile BELLET

#### **Resolution committee**

Ms Jane WARDROPPER

Mr Jean-François LEVY

#### **Tellers**

Mrs Elin RICHARDS

Mrs Leny DOELMAN

#### **Resolution3: Agenda**

The Conference having received the draft agenda accepts it

#### **Resolution 4: Full members**

The Conference,

Having received the report from the World Committee and the presentation of NSGF's candidates

Accepts the following countries as Full Members of ISGF:

**Angola, Argentina, Chile, Guatemala, Palestine, Trinidad & Tobago, Venezuela**

#### **Resolution 5: Associate members**

The Conference,

Having received the report from the World Committee and the presentation of NSGF's candidates

Accepts the following countries as Associate members of ISGF:

**Brazil, Netherlands, Peru, South Korea, Suriname**

#### **Resolution 6: Resignation of membership**

The Conference,

Having heard the presentation by the World Committee on the Turkish NSGF

Notes the resignation of this NSGF

The conference also noted the resignation of Hungary

#### **Resolution 7: Election of new World Committee members**

The Conference

Having seen the videos of presentation of the candidates and read the additional information provided,

Having voted [in secret ballot]

Elects as new members of the World Committee.

**Prosper Bani**

**Vanessa Hoogenbergen**

**Ana Rodrigues**

**Ghana**

**Curaçao**

**Portugal**

**Africa**

**Western Hemisphere**

**Europe**



### **Resolution 8: Membership fees**

The Conference

Taking note of the recommendation by the World Committee

Decides to extend the present fee system with an increase of 11 percent to allow for inflation; consequently the per capita fees in Euros for the 3 levels of countries based on their GNP will be 2.51, 1.68 and 0.83 for the triennium 2023-2025.

### **Resolution 9: Amendments to the Constitution and byelaws of ISGF**

The Conference,

Having studied the amendments to the Constitution and Bye-laws proposed by the World Committee and the sub-amendments from Austria

Accepts the World Committee's amendments as modified by the sub-amendments from Austria

Note that the consolidated text will be circulated after the Conference

### **Resolution 10: 30<sup>th</sup> Conference**

The Conference noted that Spain accepted the proposition from World Committee that it hosts the 30<sup>th</sup> Conference in 2024.

### **Resolution 11: Finance**

The Conference noted the difficulties incurred with the accounts. It accepted that the new World Committee would examine the question during a meeting in March and fix a deadline which will be circulated to the membership

### **Resolution 12: Quadrennial report**

The Conference,

Having received the quadrennial report 2017-2021

Accepts the quadrennial report as presented.



## Overview of the voting results

Due to the calculation system used by the platform to hold the virtual Conference, the panel had trouble to receive and communicate the results of the voting on the first day. To ensure full transparency the results are presented here :

<b>Vote 2:</b> Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Resolution Committee, 2 tellers	Result: YES 28 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0	Duration voting: 00:11:43	Voting restrictions: Except the 11 new countries  Simple majority
<b>Vote 3:</b> Rule of Procedure	Result: YES 31 NO 0 ABSTAIN 1	Duration voting 00:04:25	Voting restrictions: Except the 11 new countries  Simple majority
<b>Vote 4:</b> Approval of the agenda	Result: YES 33 NO 0 ABSTAIN 0	Duration voting 00:02:53	Voting restrictions: Except the 11 new countries  Simple majority
<b>Vote 5.1</b> Candidate to full membership	Result: YES 32 NO 0 ABSTAIN 1	Duration voting 00:03:44	Voting restrictions: Except the 11 new countries Only full members No AMO and CB  2/3 majority
<b>Vote 5.2</b> Candidates Associate Member Organisation (AMO)	Result: YES: 31 NO: 1 ABSTAIN: 2	Duration voting 00:03:57	Voting restrictions: none  2/3 majority
<b>Vote 7:</b> Candidates WCom	Result: <b>Secret ballot form In random order</b> Vanessa Ana Prosper	Duration voting 00:17:37	Voting restrictions: Only full members Not AMO and CB  2/3 majority
<b>Vote 8:</b> Indexation membership fee	Result: YES: 25 NO: 14 ABSTAIN: 6	Duration voting 00:09:04	Voting restrictions: None  2/3 majority
<b>Vote 9a:</b> Amendment/motion Austria (article 5)	Result: YES: 32 NO: 3 ABSTAIN: 4	Duration voting 00:07:53	Voting restrictions: Only full members Not AMO and CB Simple majority
<b>Voting 9b:</b> Amendment/motion Austria (article 12)	Result: YES: 34 NO: 6 ABSTAIN: 3	Duration voting 00:06:11	Voting restrictions: Only full members Not AMO and CB Simple majority





## Constitution and bye-laws

Current text	As amended
	<p><b>PREAMBLE:</b> ISGF was founded on 25th October 1953 in Lucerne, (Switzerland) under the name of the International Fellowship of Former Scouts and Guides (IFOFSAG) and was established following resolutions from the World Association of Girl Guides and Girl Scouts (WAGGGS) and the World Organisation of the Scout Movement (WOSM) at their respective World Conferences held during that year 1953. Then, in 1996 IFOFSAG changed its name to International Scout and Guide Fellowship (ISGF): an "organisation for adults." The present Constitution governs the operation of the International Scout and Guide Fellowship (ISGF) in a kindred spirit of world cooperation and friendship following the legacy of Lord Robert BadenPowell, 1st Baron Baden-Powell of Gilwell.</p>
<p><b>ARTICLE 5 Membership 1. Requirements for Membership</b> Membership of the ISGF is open to all national adult organisations which fulfil the criteria and conditions for Membership. Authority to confer such Membership is vested in the World Conference</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 5 Membership 1. Requirements for Membership</b> Membership of the ISGF is open to all national adult organisations which fulfil the criteria and conditions for Membership. Authority to confer such Membership is vested in the World Conference. <b>In addition to the possibility of joining the ISGF through the NSGF's in accordance with paragraph 2 and seq., individuals and small groups of adults living in a country where there is no NSGF may register with the World Bureau and thus become members of the Central Branch.</b></p>
<p><b>ARTICLE 5 Membership 2. Categories of Membership</b> There are two categories of Membership of the ISGF: a) Full Membership; b) Associate Membership.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 5 Membership 2. Categories of Membership for NSGF</b> There are two categories of Membership of the ISGF <b>for NSGF:</b> a) Full Membership; b) Associate Membership.</p>
<p><b>ARTICLE 5 Membership 3. Criteria and conditions for full membership</b></p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 5 Membership 3. Criteria and conditions for full membership</b> j) "has a written declaration approved by the WCom. In relation to the aims and objectives of the Organisation and in particular article 3. 1c and ensuring that the conditions of Bye-Law 5 are met.</p>
<p><b>ARTICLE 5 Membership 12. Central Branch</b> Individuals and small groups of adults living in a country where there is no NSGF may register with the World Bureau and thus become members of the Central Branch. Conditions for the Central Branch are outlined in Bye-Law 4.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 5 Membership 12. Central Branch</b> Individuals in a country where there is no NSGF may register with the World Bureau and thus become members of the Central Branch. <b>When there are 8 or more such people, they may create a CB group which may be a first step towards the establishment of a NSGF.</b> Conditions for the Central Branch are outlined in Bye-Law 4.</p>



<p><b>ARTICLE 8 The World Conference</b>  <b>8. Postal referendum</b>                  In appropriate circumstances as determined by the World Committee, a postal referendum may be called among NSGFs between meetings of the World Conference. The voting rules as laid down in paragraphs 4, 5 and 6 of this article shall apply, except for the Central Branch which has no postal vote. In case of a postal referendum the World Committee appoints the tellers.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 8 The World Conference 8. Postal referendum</b>                  In appropriate circumstances as determined by the World Committee, a postal referendum may be called among NSGFs between meetings of the World Conference. The voting rules as laid down in paragraphs 4, 5 and 6 of this article shall apply, except for the Central Branch which has no postal vote <b>and for the fact that each NSGF will have one vote only.</b> In case of a postal referendum the World Committee appoints the tellers. <b>Such circumstance may in particular be force majeure.</b></p>
<p><b>ARTICLE 9 The World Committee</b>  <b>2. Functions</b>                  The functions of the World Committee are: to act on behalf of the World Conference between its meetings and give effect to its decisions, recommendations and policies</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 9 The World Committee 2. Functions</b> The functions of the World Committee are: to act on behalf of the World Conference between its meetings and give effect to its decisions, recommendations and policies <b>and to take further decisions in case of force majeure.</b></p>
<p><b>ARTICLE 12 Regions and SubRegions</b>  <b>4. Regional Committees – Functions</b>                  The functions of a Regional Committee are:                  a) to foster the development of the ISGF in the Region and to support its programme and activities;                  b) to promote regional gatherings;                  c) to liaise with the World Committee, Sub-Regional Committees, NSGFs and Central Branch members in the Region.                  d) to develop contacts with WAGGGS and WOSM on a regional basis.</p>	<p><b>ARTICLE 12 Regions and Sub-Regions 4. Regional Committees –Functions</b>                  The functions of a Regional Committee are:                  a) to foster the development of the ISGF in the Region and to support its programme and activities;  <b>b) shall assist CB groups within its region to develop and meet the criteria required to become a NSGF. If there are one or more Sub-Regions in the Region, the sub-regional committee concerned has to be included and participate in the assistance with voting right.</b>                  c) to promote regional gatherings;                  d) to liaise with the World Committee, Sub-Regional Committees, NSGFs and Central Branch members in the Region.                  e) to develop contacts with WAGGGS and WOSM on a regional basis</p>
<p><b>BYE-LAW 4 The Central Branch 2. Central Branch Co-ordinator</b>                  A Central Branch Co-ordinator shall be appointed by the World Committee to be responsible for the administrative work of the Central Branch and to provide all possible support for its members. The Co-ordinator, Regional Committees and Sub-Regional Committees shall keep each other informed on membership developments in common areas.</p> <p>As Regions and sub regions are often best places to assist CB groups in their development towards becoming a NSGF, the Central Branch coordinator works in close liaison with them. In particular with Regional coordinator where there is one.</p>	<p><b>BYE-LAW 4 The Central Branch 2. Central Branch Co-ordinator</b>                  A Central Branch Co-ordinator shall be appointed by the World Committee to be responsible for the administrative work of the Central Branch and to provide all possible support for its members.</p> <p><b>As Regions and sub regions are best places to assist CB groups in their development towards becoming a NSGF, the Central Branch coordinator works in close liaison with them. In particular with Regional coordinator where there is one.</b></p>



	<p><b>3. The development of an NSGF in a country with two or more CB groups</b>  The World Committee, assisted by the Central Branch Coordinator, would appoint a panel, including the regional chairman, the sub-regional chairman if there is a Sub Region, both with voting right, and other appropriate persons, when necessary to discuss with the groups the ways within the ISGF Constitution of becoming an NSGF. Where no agreement is reached to become a single NSGF or to form a Federation the World Committee shall decide with Region and Sub Region which group could be admitted and make the appropriate proposal to the World Conference</p>
<p><b>BYE-LAW 5 Registration procedures for Members 2. Submission in an official language</b>  The national adult organisation shall submit to the World Committee its national Constitution, and any subsequent amendments to it, in one of the official languages of the ISGF</p>	<p><b>BYE-LAW 5 Registration procedures for Members 2. Submission in an official language</b>  The national adult organisation shall submit to the World Committee its national Constitution, and any subsequent amendments to it, in one of the official languages of the ISGF. <b>It will give a report on how it complies with article 3 of the ISGF Constitution, and, in particular, with its sections 1c and 2a. It will also provide evidence of the relationship with members of WOSM and WAGGGS in the country, where they exist, and the way support is provided to the members.</b></p>

## New ISGF members

The candidates for ISGF membership presented their respective organization and activities in circulars sent before the World Conference. Following these presentations, the World Conference endorses the ISGF membership applications and grants Full Membership to:

Angola, [link to the Presentation](#)  
Argentina, [link to the Presentation](#)  
Chile, [link to the Presentation](#)  
Guatemala, [link to the Presentation](#)  
Palestine, [link to the Presentation](#)  
Trinidad & Tobago, [link to the Presentation](#)  
Venezuela, [link to the Presentation](#)

And associate membership to :

Brazil, [link to the Presentation](#)  
Netherlands, [link to the Presentation](#)  
Peru, [link to the Presentation](#)  
South Korea, [link to the Presentation](#)  
Suriname, [link to the Presentation](#)

All countries received the official certificate of membership by email or postmail.

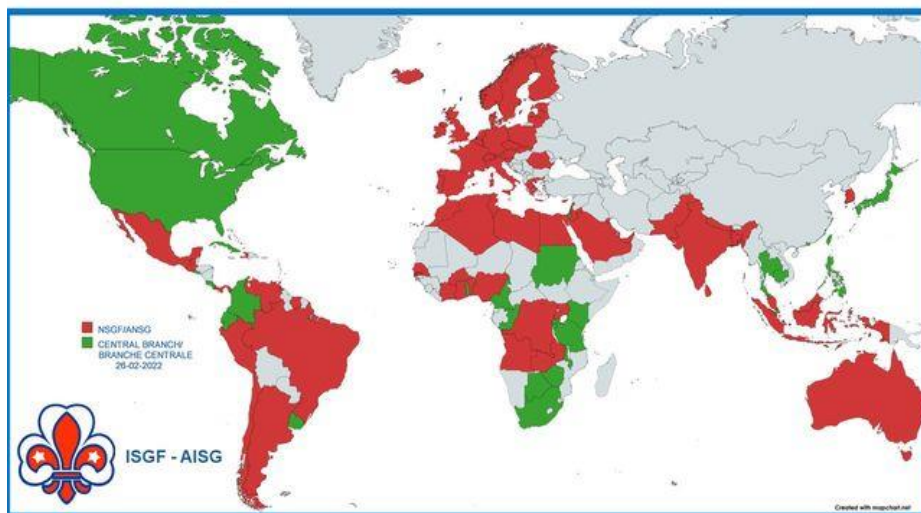


**Turkey Cancellation**

Wahid Labidi, World Committee member, informs participants of the current situation. According to the report presented before the WConf, the World Committee suspended Turkey NSGF’s membership and wrote “ if Turkey NSGF does not present its resignation, the World Committee will propose its cancellation during the World Conference.” After the sending of the letter, Turkey NSGF presented its resignation, therefore the cancellation is no longer relevant to the agenda. Wahid adds that the conference should note the immediate resignation of Turkey NSGF from ISGF membership.

**Loss of membership**

Martine informs the participants of the resignation of Hungary NSGF. She deeply regrets the situation but hopes one day Hungary will be back at ISGF.



**The World Committee election**

On the 26<sup>th</sup> February, there were four (4) candidates : Akram Zribi (Tunisia), Ana Rodrigues (Portugal), Prosper Bani (Ghana), Vanessa Hoogenbergen (Curacao) were standing for election to the ISGF World Committee. Each candidate has the opportunity to introduce themselves to the World Conference focusing on their background and their objectives by a video presentation.

The WConf elects three (3) members for a five (5) years term, 2022-2027 :

- Ana Rodrigues (Portugal);
- Prosper Bani (Ghana);
- Vanessa Hoogenbergen (Curacao)

On the 27<sup>th</sup> February, Martine announces that the ISGF World Committee 2022-2024 is now composed of: Elin Richards (Iceland), Chairman; Ana Rodrigues (Portugal) Vice Chair; Vanessa Hoogenbergen (Curacao) Vice-Chair; Prosper Bani (Ghana), member; Puan Sri Zalillah Mohd Taib (Malaysia), member; Mario Bertagnolio (Italy), member.





### The Host of the 30<sup>th</sup> ISGF World Conference

Martine explains that in order to honour the work done during the previous years by Spain NSGF to hold the 29<sup>th</sup> World Conference in Madrid, Spain, the World Committee decided to have Spain NSGF as the host of the 30<sup>th</sup> ISGF World Conference.

### Finances

As there were no substantial changes in the expenses and revenues we apply the tradition i.e. follow the increased indexation in Belgium in accordance with the Belgium Consumer Price index. The results are then with an increase of 11%:

Category A will raise from €2,26 to €2,51

Category B will raise from €1,51 to €1,68

Category C will raise from €0,75 to €0,83

The membership fees are the only income of the ISGF and without some personal initiatives and sponsoring of ISGF representatives, it could not have been possible to further tangible links, interactions and cooperation with members and partners at the local, national and international levels.



The ISGF World Committee, represented by Runar Bakke (Norway), as the head of the finance team, reports on the inability for ISGF to present its accounts for 2018, 2019, 2020 and 2021 in time during the World Conference and gives some challenges regarding resources and finances.

The situation for the World Committee and ISGF has been difficult and challenging from 2018. Runar underlines the following points which are important to have in mind:

- In 2018 we had a change in the position of Secretary General. We had this position open for some months and then some time for training the new Secretary General (SG). This showed how vulnerable ISGF is the matter of continuity. Our SG also has two periods of maternity leave (congratulations to Nathalie on the birth of daughter and a son) which also gave some challenges.
- In 2020 we had to leave our office and find new facilities. Our SG has found a good solution for the time being.
- The WCom has not been physically gathered all six members since the first meeting on Bali. The use of video links is useful but we have missed the discussions face to face.
- Covid 19 made the situation both for the SG and the WCom difficult. Especially for the treasurer situation it could be useful to go to Brussels to find a solution.
- Since 2017 the WCom and WB has no overview of the financial situation missing the balance sheets for the fiscal years 2018 – 2019 - 2020. For these years no budget has been made for the year 2019 – 2020 - 2021. After some efforts and in cooperation with the treasurer, the SG now has access to look into the bank accounts.
- In addition to all these items the WCom was informed during the WCom meeting in March 2020 about the formal construction of ISGF linked to Belgian legislation. This organisation is named *a.i.s.b./ Amitié Internationale Scoute et Guide* and has a board of three members (president, secretary, treasurer) of which one must be a Belgian citizen. This Belgian citizen is for the time being our treasurer. It is challenging to reconstruct this organisation.



Based on this situation WCom found it difficult to produce financial information for the years 2018 – 2019 – 2020 and the necessary budget for the years to come. To do this we would need information from the accounts for these years.

### The challenges of ISGF

ISGF might be at an essential turning point where some fundamental decisions must be taken. The following two items has to be solved:

#### 1. Continuity at the World Bureau

For many years ISGF Secretary General has been in a part time employment. This has worked very well for years. During the latest years we have experienced challenges, not with the persons, but with this situation. We have experienced vacancies in this position when the SG resigned and when the SG had maternity leaves. These situations will happen again – perhaps not with the present person. Sickness might happen, accidents as well and we must be prepared that the SG might find another position. What we have experienced since 2018 is that in these periods of vacancies members of the WCom had to step in. For the future it is impossible to solve these challenges on a voluntary basis. These personnel have not the necessary overview of the administrative system at the World Bureau and not updated on the situation at any time.

It is therefore critical to increase the manning at WB with one person on a half time basis.

#### 2. The treasurer situation.

The other critical situation is about the treasurer. In fact there are several challenges:

- a. Accounting as a regular activity
- b. The role in AISG as administrator
- c. The treasurer of ISGF World Committee

Item b. and c. should be solved by volunteers. Item b. must be a Belgian citizen and item c. can be a member of WCom or a former member of the WCom.

Item a. has so far been solved by a volunteer for many years and in an excellent way. In the present situation it seems necessary to consider alternatives. WCom has tried to find a volunteer with no success so far. Another option is to buy these services from a professional company. The WCom does not know the rates of these services and we do not have the authority to order these services because this is the privilege of the present treasurer. Nevertheless this is probably the only way to solve this problem on a permanent basis.

Back to the panel, NSGFs are sharing their questions and comments on the chat. As the Secretary general has not the authority to take a decision regarding the input of the NSGF, the Secretary General proposes to report the comments received on the platform to the new elected World Committee of ISGF during its first meeting.



## Quadrennial report 2017-21



The Quadrennial report having been previously released to all ISGF Members ([quadrennial report - click here](#)), a video presentation ([link here](#)) is shown as a report of the tasks carried out between 2017 and 2022.

## Closing of the World Conference

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Elin Richards, as the new Chairman of the ISGF World Committee addresses her first speech to the WConf.

Elin :



“Dear all ISGF friends around the world, I thank you all for attending this 29<sup>th</sup> virtual World Conference .  
I welcome the new members of World Committee Vanessa, Ana and Prosper and hope we all will be having a fruitful work in the tasks that awaits us in the next 2 years.  
I do realize that ISGF has not been up to the best the last 4 years, there have been many challenges on our way, some we have managed to overcome and some not.  
This new World Committee will be hand in hand looking for solutions and if any of you our friends in ISGF can guide us we accept that.

Our NSGF's could also be of more help if they give us the necessary feedback.  
I express my gratitude for the leaving World Committee members Runar Bakke, Norway Wahid Labidi, Tunisia Mathius Lukwago, Uganda Working with you has been inspiring all the time. Also thank you to the World Conference team, Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Conference, the resolutions Committee, the ex - officio's and the event organizer QED.  
Let's join hands virtually remembering: Once a scout, always a scout.  
The 29<sup>th</sup> ISGF World Conference is closed.”





List of ex officio members and delegations

<b>Position</b>	<b>Presence</b>
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<b>Tellers</b> Elin Richards Leny Doelman	Brussels Brussels
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<b>World Bureau</b> Nathalie Henrard Secretary General	Brussels
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Australia	Gregory	Davies	Full
Austria	Liliana	Sotelo	Full
Belgium	Pierre	Decoene	Full
Benin	Pierre Damien	Babo	Full
Brazil	Marcos	Clayton	AMO
Burkina Faso	Emmanuel	Zombre	AMO
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Curacao	Vanessa	Hoogenbergen	Full
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Czech Rep.	Lukás	Krmicek	Full
Denmark	Birthe	Ømark	Full
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Germany	Angela	Dernbach	Full
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