IBCS Association
Minutes of General Assembly
July 1, 2021 (online)

1 Welcome
At 7 pm CEST Johannes von Mulert, Member of the Executive Board, opens the 8th General Assembly (GA). He gives thanks to all members attending the GA online and showing their strong interest in the IBCS Association.
In total 44 members are present, of which 43 are active members (with the right to vote). There are also written votes of an active member who was absent.

2 Minutes of the GA of June 29, 2020
The GA accepts the minutes without discussion.

3 President’s Annual Report
President Rolf Hichert informs about the development of the IBCS community in the past 12 months:
As for June 30, 2021, here are the figures about the number of active and passive members:
- Total number of members of the IBCS Association: 5946 (PY 4097), +45%
- Thereof Active Members: 218 (PY 212)
- Members are of more than 120 countries
- Certified Analysts: 313 (new category, more than 50% are non-German speakers)
- Certified Consultants 76
- Certified Providers 10
- Certified Trainers 9
- Certified Software 11

Rolf assumes that today more than 0.5 Mio people create or receive reports or dashboards respecting the IBCS rules to a certain extent.

The annual report is accepted unanimously.

4 Election of Executive Board
Jürgen Faisst, Managing Director of the IBCS Association organizes the vote.
Rolf Hichert is reelected for President with 100% of the votes
Johannes von Mulert is reelected for Accountant with 100% of the votes

Heinz Steiner does not stand for re-election as Secretary for personal reasons. Rolf expresses his gratitude not only for his role in the IBCS Association, but also for his long-standing friendship and loyalty. Beat Honegger is proposed as successor of Heinz Steiner. He is also elected with 100% of the votes.

Remark of Thomas Greuel after the election: For a real democratic vote it would be desirable to have more candidates applying for the Board.

5 Approval of IBCS Version 1.2
Jürgen Faisst, Managing Director, presents the main changes in IBCS Version 1.2. As decided in last year’s General Assembly, Version 1.2 is based on Version 1.1 including the changes suggested by two work groups (‘Which rules are mandatory?’ and ‘Aligning scenario notation of previous periods with titles’) and lots of small updates of the figures as well as some editorial work. The main change, however, is the new arrangement of chapters now starting with the IBCS semantic notation (UNIFY):
The first draft of Version 1.2 was uploaded to the new consultation platform ibcs.konveio.com on April 30. 197 comments were posted, much more than expected. Jürgen expressed his gratitude for the many contributions that detected lots of hidden mistakes. The second and final draft of Version 1.2 was posted in early June.

Johannes asks the Active Members were whether they would suggest the Board to approve Version 1.2. The result of the vote: 94% yes, 6% undecided. Following this unambiguous vote, the Board approves IBCS Version 1.2.

Thomas Greuel appreciates the great work for Version 1.2.

6 Miscellaneous
Andréj Lapaine asks about the exact status of the IBCS Association in terms of being named a ‘non-profit organization’.

Heinz Steiner answers that the IBCS Association is a Swiss Association and that ‘non-profit’ in our case just means that the organization is not making profits because it does neither earn nor spend any money. Associations neither earning nor spending money are not taxable, so there is no need for an official ‘non-profit’ tax status.

Source added by Heinz Steiner after the GA:
“In order for an association to be recognized as a non-profit and not to have to pay taxes, the association must pursue a goal that serves the general public, which is the case, for example, with a sports club that wants to integrate foreigners. Also, depending on the canton, the assets of the association must fall entirely to a non-profit organization when the association is dissolved.” Wikipedia – “Swiss association” translated by Microsoft

As there are no further interventions, Heinz Steiner closes the General Assembly at 8:10 pm CEST.

Heinz Steiner, July 3, 2021