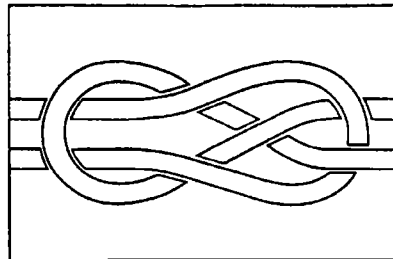


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## INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF VEXILLOLOGY VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA JULY 28 TO AUGUST 2, 1999

For registration information, or any other assistance regarding ICV 18, please contact Chantal Webb at:

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If received by **May 15, 1999**, the registration fee is US\$325 for Congress participants and US\$150 for accompanying persons. After May 15, 1999, the registration fee is US\$350 for Congress participants and US\$175 for accompanying persons. The accompanying-persons' fee includes the welcome reception, all tours, cocktail reception at the Lieutenant-Governor's residence, and the closing luncheon. The Congress-participants' fee includes the events listed above, as well as coffee breaks, lunches, all paper presentations, and simultaneous translation of presentations into English and French. Neither registration fee includes the Congress proceedings.

The Laurel Point Inn is now full. Alternate arrangements have been made at The Magnolia Hotel. Although it is a ten-minute walk from the Congress venue, the Magnolia is a new and very

attractive hotel in the heart of Old Victoria. The single room rate is CDN\$149; please mention that you are attending ICV 18. The hotel's telephone number is +1 (250) 381-0999; toll free in Canada and the United States +1 (877) 624-6654.

The deadline to submit papers has been extended to **May 15, 1999**. Participants should submit their papers to:

The Honourary Secretary  
Canadian Flag Association  
L'Association canadienne de vexillologie  
50 Heathfield Dr.  
SCARBOROUGH ON M1M 3B1  
Canada  
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e-mail: kevinhar@netcom.ca

The Congress proceedings will be published in 2000 by the Canadian Flag Association / L'Association canadienne de vexillologie. The cost of the proceedings is anticipated to be US\$40 each. People who would like to receive further information and be placed on CFA's mailing list should contact Kevin Harrington at the address listed above.

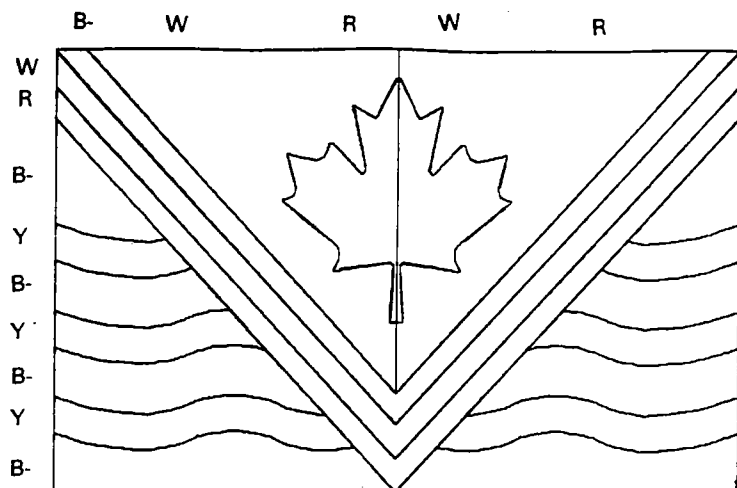
FIAV Members are requested to bring their association's or institution's flag to the Congress so that their flags may be displayed.

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## ICV 18 FLAG



The maple leaf and the colors red (Pantone Matching System 485) and white symbolize Canada, the host country. The leaf's depiction in the counter-charged form is borrowed from the flag of the Canadian Flag Association/L'Association canadienne de vexillologie (CFA), one of the two co-hosts. The red, white, and blue (Pantone Matching System 285) inverted chevrons are borrowed from the flag of the North American Vexillological Association (NAVA), the other co-host. The yellow (Pantone Matching System yellow) and blue waves are borrowed from the British Columbia flag, the host province, and represent Victoria and Vancouver Island's relationship to the western Pacific Ocean, *i.e.*, the western sun over the Pacific.

The blue and yellow colors are borrowed from the FIAV flag, thus linking the three associations responsible for the Congress—FIAV, CFA, and NAVA. The three inverted chevrons also represent "The Eighteenth International Congress of Vexillology, V<sub>i</sub>ctoria, V<sub>a</sub>ncouver Island, British Columbia, Canada." The Congress flag is balanced by the upward pull of the maple leaf and the downward pull of the waves, and has a ratio of 2:3. The Congress flag also serves as the flag of NAVA's thirty-third annual convention. The flag's designer is Truman G. Pope of Muncie, Indiana, USA. (black-and-white art courtesy of David Martucci)

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**AGENDA FOR THE SIXTEENTH SESSION OF THE FIAV GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
To BE CONVENED JULY 29, 1999  
VICTORIA, BRITISH COLUMBIA, CANADA**

**Note:** Pursuant to an August 11, 1997 decision of the General Assembly at its Fifteenth Session in Cape Town, South Africa, the General Assembly will use *Bourinot's Rules of Order* (ISBN 0-7710-8336-X) on a trial basis.

1. Call to order by President; official opening of the Sixteenth Session
2. Verification by the President of written credentials of delegates from FIAV Members
3. Roll call of delegates; recognition of quorum by Secretary-General; declaration by President that the Sixteenth Session of the General Assembly is constituted
4. Appointment by President of tellers to count votes
5. Approval of the minutes of the Fifteenth Session of the General Assembly held August 11, 12, and 14, 1997 in Cape Town, South Africa (published in *Info-FIAV* number 10, May 1998)
6. Reports by the Board:
  - (a) President (Michel Lupant)
  - (b) Secretary-General (Charles Spain)
  - (c) Secretary-General for Congresses (Bruce Berry)
7. Announcements:
  - (a) proposals to host ICV 20 (2003)
  - (a) proposals to host ICV 21 (2005)
  - (c) candidates for FIAV membership (arranged in order membership applications were received):
    - (i) Societatea Română de Vexilologie (SRV) (received 1999 Jan 26) (see page 6)
    - (ii) Great Waters Association of Vexillology (GWAV) (received 1999 Jan 27) (see page 6)
    - (iii) New England Vexillological Association (NEVA) (received 1999 Jan 29) (see pages 6-7)
  - (d) candidates for the FIAV Board
8. Report of the membership commission (Aleš Brožek, Phillippe Rault, and Whitney Smith):
  - (a) Membership status of APCRA (formerly CIDECE)
  - (b) APCRA's proposed international commission for protocol and protection of state symbolism
9. Report of the standing orders commission (Don Healy, Roman Klimeš, and Ralph Kelly)
10. Report on ICV 19 (July 23-27, 2001, York, United Kingdom)
11. Consideration of candidates for membership:
  - (a) SRV
  - (b) GWAV
  - (c) NEVA

Note: New Members may vote only after all candidates for membership have been considered.
12. Selection of ICV 20 (2003) host
13. Discussion about ICV 21 (2005) host
14. Consideration of Board's proposed constitutional amendments (see pages 7-13) and FRC's proposed constitutional amendment (international vexillological meetings outside of ICVs) (see pages 14-15)
15. Consideration of WVRI's proposed resolution number 1 (removing FRCSL as a Member of FIAV) (see pages 15-16)
16. Consideration of WVRI's proposed constitutional amendments:
  - (a) WVRI's proposed resolution number 2 (ICV registration fees) (see pages 16-17)
  - (b) WVRI's proposed resolution number 3 (proxy voting) (see pages 17-18)
17. Consideration of Board's proposal for a limited FIAV website
18. Consideration of membership status of APCRA (formerly CIDECE)
19. Discussion about publication of ICV proceedings in general and specific status of proceedings from:
 

ICV 5	1973	London, United Kingdom	FI
ICV 10	1983	Oxford, United Kingdom	FI and HSFS (former Member)
ICV 14	1991	Barcelona, Spain	ACV
ICV 15	1993	Zürich, Switzerland	SSV
ICV 16	1995	Warszawa, Poland	CFZ, FDC, and PTW
ICV 17	1997	Cape Town, South Africa	SAVA
20. Consideration of APCRA's proposed international commission for protocol and protection of state symbolism (published in *Info-FIAV* number 7, November 1996)
21. Consideration of DGF's proposal to create an accuracy code for flag data
22. Consideration of DGF's proposal to create standards for papers that are delivered at ICVs
23. Further consideration of the International Association of Flag Manufacturers' (IAFM) proposal for a

- US\$100 award to recognize the best paper delivered at an ICV
24. Consideration of continued use of *Bourinot's Rules of Order*
  25. Election of 1999-2001 Board:
    - (a) President
    - (b) Secretary-General
    - (c) Secretary-General for Congresses
  26. Adjournment *sine die* of the Sixteenth Session by President (new Board takes office)



Charles Spain  
 FIAV Secretary-General  
 Houston, April 27, 1999

## COMMENTS TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AGENDA

Item 2: Every FIAV Member is **strongly** encouraged to appoint a delegate and alternate to represent it in Victoria. If no person from a FIAV Member is able to come to Victoria, that FIAV Member is **strongly** encouraged to appoint as its delegate either the delegate of another FIAV Member or one of the three FIAV Officers.

Credentials may be mailed in advance to the FIAV President, but copies must also be brought to Victoria. If at all possible, credentials should be on the Member's official stationery.

The suggested form of written credentials is as follows:

To the President of the Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques:

**[Choose one of following two paragraphs:]**

[Name of FIAV Member association or institution] appoints [name of person (and alternate, if desired)], who is a member of [name of FIAV Member association or institution], as its delegate to the Sixteenth Session of the FIAV General Assembly, to be convened July 29, 1999, in Victoria, British Columbia, Canada. [or]

[Name of FIAV Member association or institution] regrets that none of its members is able to attend the Sixteenth Session of the FIAV General Assembly, to be convened July 29, 1999, in Victoria, British Columbia, Canada. [Name of FIAV Member association or institution] therefore names as its delegate to the General Assembly [name of person], who is also the delegate of [name of other FIAV Member association or institution] [or] who is also the FIAV President [or] Secretary-General [or] Secretary-General for Congresses.

[Delegate's name] has full powers to act on behalf of [name of FIAV Member association or institution] during the Sixteenth Session of the General Assembly [or] The powers of [delegate's name] to act on behalf of [name of FIAV Member association or institution] during the Sixteenth Session of the General Assembly are limited as follows: [describe].

[signature of authorized representative of FIAV Member association or institution]

[printed name]

[title]

[date]

[seal (optional)]

Item 6: The Board will present both oral and written reports in Victoria.

Item 7: The Board has not received any formal proposals to host ICV 20 (2003) or ICV 21 (2005). The President, Michel R. Lupant, and Secretary-General, Charles A. Spain, Jr., announce their intention to stand for re-election. The Secretary-General for Congresses, Bruce B. Berry, will announce in Victoria whether he will stand for re-election.

Item 8: The Secretary-General has requested, but not received, a written report from the membership commission. If a written report is received in sufficient time, the Secretary-General will publish it in advance of the Session in *Info-FIAV*.

Item 9: The Secretary-General has requested, but not received a written report from the standing orders commission. If a written report is received in sufficient time, the Secretary-General will publish it in advance of the Session in *Info-FIAV*.

- Item 11: The Board recommends the following candidates for membership be approved as Full Members:
- (a) Societatea Română de Vexilologie (SRV)
  - (b) Great Waters Association of Vexillology (GWAV)
  - (c) New England Vexillological Association (NEVA)

Item 14: The Board recommends the approval of its proposed constitutional amendments. There are comments for each one of the amendments; these comments follow the text of the amendment. The Board emphasizes that the first of its proposed amendments is not intended to make any substantive changes to the Constitution, but is instead offered (1) to establish uniform translations and abbreviation of FIAV's name and (2) to make nonsubstantive changes in numbering, spelling, punctuation, usage, and grammar. The Board hopes that this first amendment will be noncontroversial. In proposing these nonsubstantive changes, the Board is specifically *not* placing on the agenda for debate a general substantive revision of the Constitution. The Board recommends the disapproval of FRC's proposed constitutional amendment in light of the Board's less restrictive proposed constitutional amendment on the same subject.

Item 15: The Board recommends the disapproval of WVRI's proposed resolution number 1 to remove FRCSL as a Member of FIAV. The President traveled to Sri Lanka in April 1999 and met with Mr. Kumaran Fernando, chairman of FRCSL. In addition, both the President and Secretary-General have maintained an e-mail correspondence with Mr. Fernando. The Board is convinced that FRCSL is taking such steps as it can to promote vexillology, despite the difficulties Sri Lanka continues to experience. Mr. Fernando has encouraged FIAV Members with concerns about FRCSL's status to e-mail him at [unasl@slt.lk](mailto:unasl@slt.lk).

Item 16: The Board recommends the disapproval of WVRI's proposed constitutional amendments:

(a) WVRI's proposed resolution number 2 (ICV registration fees): The Board believes that this is a matter to be decided by the Congress organizers, perhaps in consultation with the Board. The Board is aware that past Congress organizers have set the registration fee in US dollars due to the US dollar's stability, rather than any political agenda, so that currency fluctuations will not destroy the Congress budget. Regarding different Congress registration fees for citizens of the host country, the Board agrees this should be avoided if possible, but recognizes the problems that arise when the host country's currency is weak and/or there is a substantial difference in earning capacity for workers from the host country and workers from industrialized countries (such as the G7 members).

(b) WVRI's proposed resolution number 3 (proxy voting): The Board believes that it should remain the right of each FIAV Member to choose any representative it wishes to represent it in FIAV affairs.

WVRI's other comments:

(a) Translation: The Board strongly supports the simultaneous translation of papers delivered at ICVs into all four official FIAV languages, provided that a reasonable minimum number of Congress attendees (perhaps five) require such translation. The Secretary-General, who has a specific interest in ICV 18 as he was the president of NAVA when NAVA agreed to co-host ICV 18 with CFA, has donated US\$1,000 to help pay for simultaneous translation into German and Spanish. The Board also recognizes that simultaneous translation imposes a serious financial burden and that this is ultimately a fiscal matter to be determined by the Congress organizers.

On the general subject of translation, the Board notes that two years ago in Cape Town Roman Klimeš volunteered to translate the FIAV Constitution into German and Tomás Rodríguez Peñas volunteered to translate the FIAV Constitution into Spanish (*Info-FIAV* no. 10, at page 12). The Secretary-General will publish these translations in *Info-FIAV* when they are received.

(b) Specifying the colors of the FIAV flag: The Board appreciates WVRI's support.

Item 17: The Board recommends the approval of its proposal for a limited FIAV website. The website would contain a brief explanation of vexillology and the purpose of FIAV, the names and contact information (including links) for all FIAV Members, names of former Members, names and contact information for the Officers, names of past Officers, information on upcoming and past International Congresses of Vexillology and their flags, the text of the Constitution and Flag Information Code, lists of Laureates of the Federation and Vexillon recipients, a short history of FIAV, and the text of recent issues of *Info-FIAV*. The FIAV website would not provide general flag information, but would instead refer visitors to the websites of FIAV Members. The Board would be responsible for maintaining the website and for paying any expenses associated with it (the Board, however, would be allowed to receive voluntary contributions, if offered).

Item 18: As it has not yet received the report of the membership commission, the Board takes no position at this time on the membership status of APCRA (formerly CIDEC).

Item 20: As it has not yet received the report of the membership commission, the Board takes no position at this time on APCRA's proposed international commission for protocol and protection of state symbolism.

Item 21: As it has not yet received a detailed proposal, the Board takes no position at this time on DGF's proposal to create an accuracy code for flag data.

Item 22: As it has not yet received a detailed proposal, the Board takes no position at this time on DGF's proposal to create standards for papers that are delivered at ICVs.

Item 23: The Board recommends that IAFM's proposal for IAFM to donate a biennial US\$100 award to recognize the best paper delivered at an ICV be formally accepted and that the award be chosen by a jury composed of (a) one juror selected by IAFM, (b) one juror selected by the FIAV Board, and (c) one juror jointly selected by the two jurors previously selected by IAFM and the FIAV Board. The Board believes that all awards and recognitions given at ICVs should ultimately be under the general supervision of FIAV, and this procedure for jury selection would establish joint FIAV/IAFM control over the IAFM award.

## CANDIDATES FOR MEMBERSHIP

### **Societatea Română de Vexilologie(SRV)**

c/o Maria Dogaru

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Romania

Type: association  
President/Other: Maria Dogaru, president  
Secretary: ?  
Telephone: ?  
Fax: +40 (1) 312 5841 (Maria Dogaru)  
Established: 1998 Apr 3  
Territory: Romania  
Periodical Publication: yes, but name unknown (Romanian; since 1998 ?)  
No flag information available

### **Great Waters Association of Vexillology (GWAV)**

c/o Peter J. Kinderman

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CINCINNATI OH 45209-1741

USA

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Established: 1991 May 11  
Territory: United States: Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Michigan, and Wisconsin  
Periodical Publication: *Flagwaver* (English; semiannual since 1996)  
No flag information available

### **New England Vexillological Association (NEVA)**

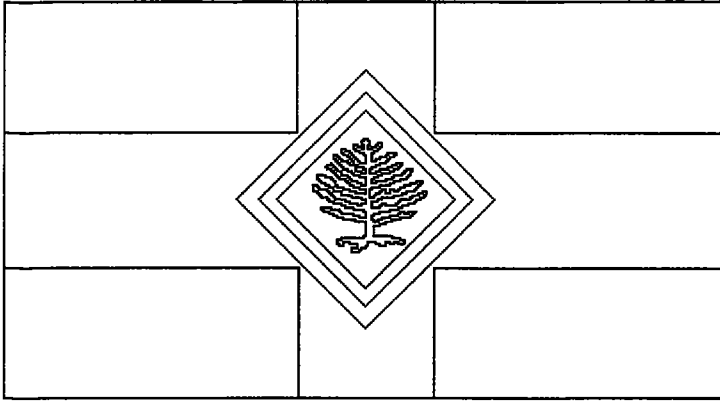
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Periodical Publication: *New England Journal of Vexillology* (English; biannual since 1995)



The NEVA flag is the traditional flag of England (white bearing a St. George's Cross in red), the namesake of the New England region of the United States. In the center is a white diamond edged in blue and white, emblazoned with a green pine tree. The pine tree is the traditional symbol of New England, while the blue fimbriation represents two "V"s, one inverted on the other, representing vexillology. The red-white-blue colors recall the colors of the United States flag. (black-and-white art courtesy of David Martucci)

## PROPOSALS OF THE FIAV BOARD

### Resolution

*Resolved by the voting Members of the Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques,*

#### SECTION 1. AMENDMENT OF CONSTITUTION.

(a) New article 1 is enacted and existing articles 1 through 24 are renumbered and nonsubstantively amended as follows:

#### CONSTITUTION OF THE FÉDÉRATION INTERNATIONALE DES ASSOCIATIONS VEXILLOLOGIQUES [~~INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF VEXILLOLOGICAL ASSOCIATIONS~~]

- I. NAME AND PURPOSES [~~OF THE FEDERATION~~]
- Art. 1 The name of this association is the Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques, which is abbreviated as "FIAV." The official translations of FIAV's name are: International Federation of Vexillological Associations (English); Internationale Föderation Vexillologischer Gesellschaften (German); and Federación Internacional de Asociaciones Vexilológicas (Spanish).
- Art. 2 [1-] FIAV [~~The International Federation of Vexillological Associations~~] unites those associations and institutions throughout the world whose object is the pursuit of vexillology, which [~~that~~] is the creation and development of a body of knowledge about flags of all types, their forms and functions, and of scientific theories and principles based on that knowledge.
- Art. 3 [2] FIAV [~~The International Federation of Vexillological Associations (hereafter called "the Federation")~~] has as its purposes:
- (a) To create a strong bond among those associations and institutions and to encourage and coordinate their work, studies, and research;
  - (b) to promote [~~periodically~~] the organization of International Congresses of Vexillology and to lend its support to their organizers;
  - (c) to encourage the creation in all countries of associations and institutions dedicated to vexillology; and
  - (d) to sanction international standards facilitating the development of these activities.
- Art. 4 [3] FIAV [~~The Federation~~], being strictly scientific, has no commercial ends and renounces any political or religious activity or stand.
- II. HEADQUARTERS

- Art. 5 [4] The administrative headquarters of FIAV [~~the Federation~~] are located at the residences of its two Secretaries-General. If necessary, the General Assembly may establish [~~it may also have~~] a legal headquarters for FIAV.
- III. MEMBERSHIP
- Art. 6 [5] An applicant for membership in FIAV [~~the Federation~~]:
- (a) must be an organization of the type expressed in article 2 [~~Art. 1 of the Constitution of the Federation~~];
  - (b) must be committed to the purposes of FIAV [~~the Federation~~] expressed in article 3 [~~Art. 2 of its Constitution~~]; and
  - (c) must be constituted in conformity with the laws of the country where it is located.
- Art. 7 [6]
- (a) Full membership in FIAV [~~the Federation~~] is open to any association or institution anywhere in the world having as its principal purpose the scientific study of vexillology. Associate membership in FIAV [~~the Federation~~] is open to other associations or institutions anywhere in the world having vexillology as a center of subsidiary interest.
  - (b) The processing of membership applications is the responsibility of the Board [~~of the Federation~~]. The Board may [~~at its discretion devolve the function upon~~] delegate this responsibility to a person appointed by it [~~them~~] for this purpose. The procedure consists of the following:
    - (1) [a] The applicant [~~candidate member~~] shall submit [~~is to complete the~~] a membership application [~~form~~], which must be received by the Board no later than six months before the convening [~~opening~~] of the next session of the General Assembly [~~of the Federation~~].
    - (2) [b] The Board shall consider the application [~~form~~] and make a recommendation to the General Assembly relative to the applicant and shall communicate that recommendation to the applicant and to existing Members [~~members of the Federation~~] not later than three months before the convening [~~opening~~] of the next session of the General Assembly.
    - (3) [c] The Board may recommend acceptance of the applicant as a Full Member, as an Associate Member, or may recommend rejection of the application.
    - (4) [d] The General Assembly at its next session [~~meeting~~] shall vote on the application. An authorized representative of the applicant may appear at the [~~meeting~~] session to represent its case. A rejected applicant has the right to reapply for membership at any later session of the General Assembly.
  - (c) The Board and the General Assembly, in making their decisions about an applicant, shall have regard to the following:
    - (1) [a] the [~~The~~] existence of a written constitution and its provisions;
    - (2) [b] the vexillological and non-vexillological activities of the applicant, including [~~t-~~] meetings, [~~it-~~] publications, and [~~iii-~~] international relations;
    - (3) [c] in the case of an association, the number of its dues-paying members (minimum of five);
    - (4) [d] registration of its members in International Congresses of Vexillology [~~sponsored by the Federation~~];



~~(5) (e)~~ the length of time it has existed; and

~~(6) (f)~~ the presence of an autochthonous ~~[autochthonous]~~ and authorized representative of the applicant at the session of the General Assembly at which there is to be a vote on ~~[dealing with]~~ the ~~[membership]~~ application.

Art. 8 ~~[7]~~ The voluntary resignation of any Member must be received in writing by the President ~~[of the Federation];~~ The resignation ~~[it]~~ is effective ~~[upon]~~ on the date of its receipt.

Art. 9 ~~[8]~~ At its discretion, the Board may require a Member to furnish evidence of its continued qualification for membership under the terms set forth in article 7 ~~[Art. 6]~~. On the basis of this evidence, the Board may make a recommendation to the General Assembly on the continuation or modification of the membership of the association or institution. If the recommendation is made to remove a Member from FIAV ~~[the Federation]~~ or change its status from full to associate membership, the Member in question must be notified at least three months in advance of the session of the General Assembly at which there is to be a ~~be a~~ vote on the matter. The Member shall be invited to present its defense before the General Assembly, but shall not participate in the vote on the matter.

Art. 10 ~~[9]~~ Each Member ~~[of the Federation]~~ regulates its own affairs in complete freedom, limited only by the laws in effect in the territory where it functions. FIAV ~~[The Federation]~~ may not limit the rights of the Members in this respect.

Art. 11 ~~[10]~~ Members ~~[of the Federation]~~ shall not undertake any activities contrary to the interests of FIAV ~~[the Federation]~~.

Art. 12 ~~[11]~~ FIAV ~~[The Federation]~~ may not act on behalf of its Members without their authorization expressed in the General Assembly. Members may not make commitments nor act on behalf of FIAV ~~[the Federation]~~, nor may they hold international vexillological ~~[for vexillology]~~ meetings on their own.

Art. 13 ~~[12]~~ The General Assembly may name as "Laureates of the Federation" ~~[individuals]~~ persons who have made outstanding contributions to vexillology. The ~~[This]~~ status as a Laureate does not confer any right within FIAV ~~[the Federation]~~.

#### IV. THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Art. 14 ~~[13]~~ (a) The General Assembly is composed of the Officers ~~[officers of the Board]~~ together with a delegate from each of the Full and Associate Members ~~[of the Federation]~~. Each delegate must present to the President ~~[of the General Assembly]~~ written credentials from the Member represented. A Member may delegate any or all of its powers in writing to a delegate from any other Member or to an Officer ~~[officer of the Federation]~~.

(b) ~~[The]~~ A session of the General Assembly is not ~~[validly]~~ constituted unless delegates of at least half ~~[its duly represented]~~ of the Full Members ~~[, as determined at the beginning of the session,]~~ are present, except as provided for in article 25 ~~[Art. 24]~~.

(c) Each Full Member and each Officer ~~[officer of the Board]~~ is entitled to one vote in the General Assembly.

Art. 15 ~~[14]~~ Majorities in the General Assembly ~~[sessions are constituted]~~ consist of the following fractions of those Full Members present and voting:

(a) A ~~[a]~~ simple majority in the election of Officers ~~[an officer]~~. If more than two ~~[2]~~ candidates stand for election for ~~[of]~~ an Office ~~[officer,]~~ and ~~[if]~~ no candidate receives a ~~[one reaches the]~~ simple majority, then the candidate with the least votes shall ~~[will]~~ be eliminated from the next ballot, and so on.

(b) Two-thirds ~~[two-thirds]~~ for ordinary resolutions, ~~[, and]~~

(c) Three-quarters ~~[three-quarters]~~ for amendments to the Constitution or

dissolution of FIAV [~~the Federation~~].

- Art. 16 [~~15~~] The [~~powers of the~~] General Assembly [~~are the following~~]:
- (a) elects [~~The election of~~] Officers [~~the President and the two Secretaries-General~~];
  - (b) examines and approves [~~examination and approval of~~] the administration of the Board and the Commissions [~~commissions~~];
  - (c) examines [~~the examination of~~] all questions concerning FIAV [~~the Federation~~] and in particular the organization of the International Congresses of Vexillology;
  - (d) interprets [~~interpretation of~~] the Constitution [~~of the Federation~~];
  - (e) names [~~the appointment of~~] Laureates of the Federation pursuant to article 13 and awards [~~the awarding of~~] such other distinctions as it deems appropriate to persons or institutions who have shown particular merit in the field of vexillology;
  - (f) determines [~~the determination of~~] the amount and disposition of the annual dues, if any, to be paid by Members; and
  - (g) establishes such Commissions as it deems necessary and appoints Commissioners [~~the appointment of special commissions~~].

Art. 17 [~~16~~] The General Assembly holds a session [~~meets~~] at least once every two years, normally on the occasion of each International Congress of Vexillology. [~~It must be convened by the~~] The Board convenes a session of the General Assembly. The Board must give notice of the agenda, including any amendments to the Constitution, to all Members at least three months in advance [with notification of the agenda including any proposed amendments to the Constitution] of the session.

Art. 18 [~~17~~] The General Assembly may be called into an emergency session if extraordinary conditions require this, as determined by the Board, or if three-quarters of the Full Members request this of the Board.

V. ADMINISTRATION [~~OF THE FEDERATION~~]

Art. 19 [~~18~~] (a) The administration of FIAV [~~the Federation~~] is entrusted to a Board which acts only by unanimous agreement. The Board is composed of three Officers: the President [of the Federation and its two Secretaries-General], the Secretary-General, and the Secretary-General for Congresses.

(b) The Officers [~~Board~~] are [~~is~~] elected at the end of each session of the General Assembly and serve [~~serves~~] until the election of the new Officers [~~Board~~] at the next session of the General Assembly. Consent of the [~~nominees~~] candidates for election is required. The Officers [~~Members~~] are eligible for re-election.

(c) The [~~two Secretaries-General shall~~] Secretary-General and the Secretary-General for Congresses must reside [~~in~~] on different continents. [~~One~~] The Secretary-General manages the Permanent Secretariat of FIAV [~~the Federation~~] and the [~~other~~] Secretary-General for Congresses manages the Permanent Secretariat of the International Congresses of Vexillology. The Board is considered to be in continuous session, conducted by correspondence. In addition it must meet at least once between International Congresses of Vexillology.

Art. 20 [~~19~~] The Board [~~of the Federation~~]:

- (a) manages [~~Manages~~] the current affairs of FIAV [~~the Federation~~] and establishes the duties and obligations of its Officers [~~officers~~];
- (b) issues directives which it considers necessary to the success of the activities of FIAV [~~the Federation~~], including the International Congresses of Vexillology;

- (c) establishes such Commissions [~~commissions~~] as it deems necessary and appoints Commissioners [~~members~~];
- (d) convenes [~~convokes~~] sessions of the General Assembly [~~Assemblies in accord with Arts.:~~] pursuant to articles 17 [~~16~~] and 18 [~~17 of the Constitution~~];
- (e) represents FIAV [~~the Federation~~] in its relations with other national and international institutions; and
- (f) manages membership procedures [~~in accordance with Art. 6 of the Constitution~~] pursuant to article 7 and encourages [~~the adherence to the Federation of new members~~] new Members to support FIAV.

Art. 21 [20] All acts binding [~~upon the Federation~~] on FIAV must be signed by all Officers [~~the President and both the Secretaries General~~]. Current correspondence may be signed [~~either~~] by any single Officer [~~the President or one of the Secretaries General~~].

#### VI. LANGUAGES

Art. 22 [24] The official languages of FIAV and the International Congresses of Vexillology [~~and of the communications of the Federation~~] are [~~shall be~~] English, French, German, and Spanish. Other languages may be used [~~as well, where~~] when appropriate.

#### VII. PUBLICATIONS

Art. 23 [22] The official journal of FIAV [~~the Federation~~] is *The Flag Bulletin* [~~THE FLAG BULLETIN~~] (ISSN 0015-3370). In addition, FIAV [~~the Federation~~] shall publish a newsletter concerning its activities at least once a year for the benefit of its Members, which may be freely reproduced. The General Assembly may initiate or authorize other publications.

#### VIII. SYMBOLS

Art. 24 [23] [~~The Flag of the Federation is as~~] FIAV's flag is described and illustrated in the *Recueil du I<sup>e</sup>* [~~1<sup>er</sup>~~] *Congrès International de Vexillologie Zurich 1967*. The General Assembly may initiate or authorize other symbols for FIAV [~~the Federation~~].

#### IX. DISSOLUTION

Art. 25 [24] Dissolution of FIAV [~~the Federation~~] may be considered only at a session of the General Assembly attended by at least three-quarters of the Full Members. Members prevented from attending the General Assembly may submit written, notarized votes. This General Assembly establishes the terms of the dissolution.

(b) Comment: To (1) establish uniform translations and abbreviation of FIAV's name and (2) make nonsubstantive changes in numbering, spelling, punctuation, usage, and grammar. In proposing these nonsubstantive changes, the Board is specifically **not** proposing a general revision of the Constitution. In order to limit the scope of the proposed constitutional amendments before the General Assembly, the Board has proposed all other specific substantive changes in individual sections of this resolution. If the General Assembly deems any of the changes proposed by section 1—excepting the proposed translations and abbreviation of FIAV's name—are in fact substantive, then the Board withdraws from consideration the portions deemed to be substantive.

### SECTION 2. AMENDMENT OF CONSTITUTION.

(a) Article 12 is amended as follows:

- Art. 12
- (a) FIAV may not act on behalf of its Members without their authorization expressed in the General Assembly. Members may not make commitments nor act on behalf of FIAV [~~, nor may they hold international meetings for vexillology on their own~~].
  - (b) Members may not hold international vexillological meetings outside of International Congresses of Vexillology. This prohibition, however, does not apply to a joint vexillological meeting by two or three neighboring Members in a year in which an International Congress of Vexillology is not held.

(b) Comment: To modify the prohibition against international vexillological meetings outside of International Congresses of Vexillology. Under the revised article, it would not be considered a violation of the prohibition if individual members of one or two associations and/or institutions were to attend a vexillological meeting hosted by another FIAV Member as guests, so long as such attendance is incidental and not actively advertised by the host to nonmembers of the host association or institution.

### SECTION 3. AMENDMENT OF CONSTITUTION.

(a) Articles 13 and 16(e) are amended as follows:

Art. 13 The General Assembly may name as "Laureates of the Federation" persons who have made outstanding contributions to vexillology. The General Assembly may delegate this power to the Board. The status as a Laureate does not confer any right within FIAV.

Art. 16 The General Assembly:

. . .

(e) names Laureates of the Federation pursuant to article 13 and awards such other distinctions as it deems appropriate to persons or institutions who have shown particular merit in the field of vexillology (this power may be delegated to the Board); and . . . .

(b) Comment: To recognize in the Constitution the existing practice by which the General Assembly allows the Board to confer the Vexillon award and bestow Laureate status.

### SECTION 4. AMENDMENT OF CONSTITUTION.

(a) Article 19(c) is amended as follows:

Art. 19 . . . .

(c) The Secretary-General and the Secretary-General for Congresses must reside on different continents. The Secretary-General manages the Permanent Secretariat of FIAV and the Secretary-General for Congresses manages the Permanent Secretariat of the International Congresses of Vexillology. The Board is considered to be in continuous session, conducted by correspondence. ~~[In addition it must meet at least once between International Congresses of Vexillology.]~~

(d) If an Officer dies, resigns, or otherwise does not carry out the duties of the office, those duties shall be performed by the remaining Officers.

(b) Comment: To eliminate the suggestion that the Board is required to travel and conduct an in-person meeting between International Congresses of Vexillology and to codify existing practice concerning the death or unavailability of an Officer.

### SECTION 5. AMENDMENT OF CONSTITUTION.

(a) Article 21 is amended as follows:

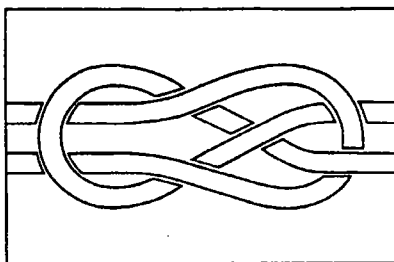
Art. 21 FIAV's assent to an agreement imposing a binding obligation on FIAV may only be given by a written document signed by all Officers. ~~[All acts binding upon FIAV must be signed by all Officers].~~ Current correspondence may be signed by any single Officer.

(b) Comment: To clarify that article 21 applies only to agreements between FIAV and another parties, as opposed to Board actions affecting only FIAV.

### SECTION 6. AMENDMENT OF CONSTITUTION.

(a) Article 24 is amended as follows:

Art. 24 (a) FIAV's flag is described ~~[and illustrated in the *Recueil du II<sup>e</sup> Congrès International de Vexillologie Zurich 1967*.]~~ as follows: "On a blue field, extending horizontally from hoist to fly, two yellow halyards forming two interlaced loops." The color blue is defined as Pantone Matching System U293 and the color yellow is defined as Pantone Matching System U123. The Flag is illustrated as follows:



(b) The General Assembly may initiate or authorize other symbols for FIAV.

(b) Comment: To incorporate the definition and design of FIAV's flag directly into the Constitution and to specify the color shades by reference to the Pantone Matching System.

#### SECTION 7. AMENDMENT OF CONSTITUTION.

(a) Articles 17 and 25 are amended as follows:

Art. 17 The General Assembly holds a session at least once every two years, normally on the occasion of each International Congress of Vexillology. The Board convenes a session of the General Assembly. The Board must give notice of the agenda, including any amendments to the Constitution or motion to dissolve FIAV, to all Members at least three months in advance of the session.

Art. 25 (a) ~~[Dissolution of]~~ A motion to dissolve FIAV may be considered only at a session of the General Assembly ~~[attended by]~~ at which delegates of at least three-quarters of the Full Members are present. ~~[Members prevented from attending the General Assembly may submit written, notarized votes.]~~

(b) Instead of sending a delegate, a Full Member may chose to submit to the President a written, notarized statement expressing that Member's vote in favor of, or in opposition to, the motion to dissolve. A Full Member that submits any such statement shall be considered present at the session for the purpose of determining that the session is constituted to consider a motion to dissolve.

(c) The ~~[This]~~ General Assembly establishes the terms of the dissolution.

(b) Comment: To clarify the procedures for dissolution.

#### SECTION 8. MISCELLANEOUS.

(a) Severability. Each of sections 1 through 7 of this resolution may be separately considered by the General Assembly, and approved or disapproved individually.

(b) Font. Additions to the Constitution are indicated by underlining and deletions to the Constitution are indicated by ~~[enclosure in brackets and strikeouts]~~. The "current" text of the Constitution in sections 2 through 7 assumes the passage of section 1. If approved, the modified text shall appear in nonunderlined font without the bracketed and struck out text.

(c) Comments. The comments to sections 1 through 7 of this resolution are provided for explanatory purposes only and do not form part of the proposed amendment.

(d) Effective date. Each of sections 1 through 7 of this resolution receiving approval shall be immediately effective at the time of its approval.

## PROPOSAL OF THE FLAG RESEARCH CENTER



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5 January 1999

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Dear Kin:

The Flag Research Center wishes to submit to the FIAV General Assembly to be held this summer in Victoria BC the following motion, which will amend the FIAV Constitution, if adopted:

Moved, that Article 11 of the Constitution be amended to read: FIAV may not act on behalf of its Members without their authorization expressed in the General Assembly. Members may not make commitments nor act on behalf of the Federation, nor may they hold international meetings for vexillology on their own. An international meeting is defined as one involving Members from countries other than those officially encompassed by the host Member. Notwithstanding this prohibition, a Member holding a vexillological meeting in any year in which no International Congress of Vexillology is held may invite participation by a Member from a contiguous country.

Sincerely, yours,

Whitney Smith, Ph.D.

The Secretary-General restates FRC's proposed constitutional amendment into the following proposed resolution:

### RESOLUTION PROPOSED BY THE FLAG RESEARCH CENTER

*Resolved by the voting Members of the Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques,*

(1) Article 11 is amended to read as follows:

Art. 11 ~~[The Federation]~~ FIAV may not act on behalf of its Members without their authorization expressed in the General Assembly. Members may not make commitments nor act on behalf of ~~[the Federation]~~ FIAV, nor may they hold international meetings for vexillology on their own. An international meeting is defined as one involving Members from countries other than those officially encompassed by the host Member. Notwithstanding this prohibition, a Member holding a vexillological meeting in any year in which no International Congress of Vexillology is held may invite participation by a Member from

a contiguous country.

(2) Additions to the Constitution are indicated by underlining and deletions to the Constitution are indicated by [~~enclosure in brackets and strikeouts~~]. If approved, the modified text shall appear in nonunderlined font without the bracketed and struck out text.

## PROPOSALS OF THE WORLD VEXILLOLOGICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE

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**BONN, March 23th, '99**

To  
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Dear Mr. Secretary-General,

Hereby I am making a proposition to the agenda for ICV in Victoria, Canada:

AUSSCHLUSS VON FLAG RESEARCH CENTRE OF SRI LANKA ALS MITGLIED DER FIAV

*[EXCLUDING THE FLAG RESEARCH CENTRE OF SRI LANKA AS A MEMBER OF FIAV]*

**Begründung:** Obwohl diese Organisation schon seit 1988 Mitglied der FIAV ist, hat bis jetzt niemand einen einzigen vexillologischen Blatt von diesser Organisation gesehen. Und die Vertreter dieser Organisation konnten wir bei den internationalen Kongressen auch nicht begrüßen. Es war immer die gleiche Person, die sich mit Vollmacht von Flag Research Centre of Sri Lanka präsentierte (Mr. Ralph Bartlett aus Australien). Auf die direkten Fragen, die die Flag Research Centre of Sri Lanka betrafen, hat Mr. Bartlett überhaupt nicht oder sehr ausweichend geantwortet. Er argumentierte u.a. damit, daß in Sri Lanka Bürgerkrieg herrsche und daß sie (FRC of Sri Lanka) kein Geld für Briefmarken hätte. Aber Geld für die Briefmarken um eine Vollmacht nach Australien zu schicken, dafür war aber das Geld immer da. Es ist ein unerträglicher Zustand. Damit muß endlich Schluß sein. Für die Beibehaltung der Mitgliedschaft sprechen keine Argumente, für den Ausschluß aber sehr viele. Es ist skandalös, daß FRC of Sri Lanka volles Stimmrecht hat, aber andere verdiente Organisationen wird dieses Recht nicht zugebilligt (z.B. Mauritius Verlag).

**[Rationale:** *Even though this organization has been a Member of the FIAV since 1988, until now no one has seen a vexillological paper from this organization. And we are unable to greet the representative of this organization at the International Congresses. It was always the same person, who has the full authority of the Flag Research Centre of Sri Lanka—Mr. Ralph Bartlett from Australia. To the direct question of whether the Flag Research Centre of Sri Lanka existed, Mr. Bartlett did not*

*even answer. He argued, among other things, the Sri Lankan civil war and that the FRCSL had no money for stamps. But money for stamps to send the full authority to Australia, for that, money was always there. It is an unbearable situation. An end to this must finally come. For keeping them as Members there is no argument, for the exclusion there are very many. It is a scandal that FRC of Sri Lanka has a full voice (vote) but other honored organizations lack this right, for example, Mauritius Verlag.]*

The Secretary-General restates WVRI's concerns into the following proposed resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 1 PROPOSED BY THE WORLD VEXILLOLOGICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE**

*Resolved by the voting Members of the Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques, that the Flag Research Centre of Sri Lanka be removed as a Member of FIAV.*

*Vorschläge für Änderungen und Ergänzungen der FIAV-Verfassung*

[Recommendations for Amending and Supplementing the FIAV Constitution]

*Artikel 2:*

Internationale vexillologische Kongresse.

Hiermit wird Vorschlag gemacht, daß die Organisation (bzw. die Organisationen), die durch FIAV-Vollversammlung beauftragt wurden, den Internationalen vexillologischen Kongress zu organisieren, dazu verpflichtet werden müssen, daß:

a) Kongressgebühren in gleicher Höhe für inländische als auch für die ausländische Teilnehmer erhoben werden. Leider waren wir Zeugen der Unsitte, daß die Kongressorganisatoren in Warschau 1995 (Polen) und Kapstadt (Südafrika) die Gebühren in unterschiedlicher Höhe für inländische und ausländische Teilnehmer erhoben haben. So geht es wirklich nicht. Ich finde es als dreiste Frechheit.

b) Kongressgebühren dürfen nur in der Landeswährung erhoben werden.

Leider waren wir die ausländischen Kongreßteilnehmer in Warschau 1995 und Kapstadt 1997 wiederum gezwungen die Kongreßgebühren in US Dollars zu bezahlen. Und wiederum sind wir Zeugen dieser Unsitte bei den Organisatoren des Kongresses 1999 in Kanada - die Gebühren werden wiederum in US-Dollars verlangt. Besonderen bitteren Beigeschmack hat diese Angelegenheit: Wir sind keine US-Kolonie und wollen es auch nicht werden. Jedem Staat seine Währung. Lehnen sie ab, die Gebühren in US-Dollars zu bezahlen.

[Article 2:

International Congresses of Vexillology.

*With this recommendation it is suggested that the host Organization has the following duties:*

a) *Congress fees should be at the same rate for citizens and foreigners.*

*Unfortunately we were witnesses in Warsaw and South Africa to fees set at different rates for resident and foreign participants. This really will not work. I find it a shameful affront.*

b) *Congress fees should be paid in a country's currency.*

*Unfortunately we, the foreign Congress participants in Warsaw in 1995 and Cape Town in 1997, were forced to pay Congress fees in US dollars. And again we were witnesses to this in 1999 in Canada. This situation has an especially bitter taste: We are not a US colony and we will not become one. Every State has its currency. Give up paying dues in US dollars.]*

The Secretary-General restates WVRI's concerns about ICV registration fees into the following proposed resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 2 PROPOSED BY THE WORLD VEXILLOLOGICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE**

*Resolved by the voting Members of the Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques,*

(1) New article 24 and its heading are enacted as follows:

IX. INTERNATIONAL CONGRESSES OF VEXILLOLOGY

Art. 24 The organizer of an International Congress of Vexillology shall set a single, uniform Congress registration fee, which must be paid by all participants regardless of nationality. The Congress organizer must set the registration fee in the currency of the host country.



*Artikel 13:*

Abstimmung in Abwesenheitsvertretung (Proxy Voting).

Bei mehreren Internationalen vexillologischen Kongressen waren wir Zeugen, als bei der Abstimmung manche Delegierten nicht nur mit zwei Händen gestimmt haben sondern auch mit der Zunge (als dritte Stimme). Die Kummulierung der Stimmen in den Händen einer Person finde ich nicht tragbar. Aus diesem Grunde muß eine eindeutige Regelung für die Abstimmung in Abwesenheitsvertretung (Proxy Voting) geschaffen werden. Ein entsprechender Vorschlag wurde schon im Jahre 1997 dem General-Sekretär Dr. Emil Dreyer zugesandt und befindet sich im Archiv der FIAV. Dieser Vorschlag wurde bei der FIAV-Vollversammlung im Jahre 1997 in Kapstadt verhandelt, aber nicht angenommen. Es waren besonders die Vertreter der nordamerikanischen Vexillologen, die aus Angst um ihre Vormachtstellung besonders heftig gegen diesen Vorschlag argumentiert haben. Ich finde es besonders abwägig, wenn eine willkürlich ausgewählte Person, ohne Einhaltung irgendwelcher Regeln berechtigt wird, eine ihr ganz fremde Organisation zu vertreten. Desalb mein Vorschlag zu Regelung der Abstimmung in Abwesenheitsvertretung:

- a) eine physische Person darf nur eine Stimme haben, entweder Stimme einer Organisation oder eigene Stimme als FIAV Funktionär
- b) sie muß Mitglied der Organisation, die sie vertritt, sein (schriftlicher Nachweiß)
- c) sie muß entweder die Staatsangehörigkeit des Staates, in dem die Organisation ihren gewöhnlichen Sitz hat, besitzen, oder einen ständigen Aufenthalt (Permanent Resident) in diesem Staate haben.

[Article 13:

*Proxy Voting.*

*At many International Congresses of Vexillology, we witnessed many delegates voting by using not only two hands, but also their tongues as the third voice (vote). I find it unacceptable to have this accumulation of votes in the hands of a single person. On this basis, there must be a clear rule for proxy voting. A suggestion was made in 1997 to Dr. Emil Dreyer, FIAV Secretary-General, and it can be found in FIAV's archives. This suggestion was made and discussed at the General Assembly in Cape Town, but not accepted. The delegates of the North American vexillological groups were particularly opposed to this suggestion out of fear of losing their voting power. I find the manner in which these delegates are selected to be especially stupid as there are no rules and the delegates are complete strangers to the organizations they represent. Therefore, my suggestion for regulating proxy voting is as follows:*

- a) *a physical person can only have one vote, either a vote as an organization's delegate or as a FIAV Officer*
- b) *the delegate must be a member of the organization that the delegate is representing, and the delegate must have written credentials*
- c) *the delegate must be a citizen or permanent resident of the nation in which the organization is located.]*

The Secretary-General restates WVRI's concerns about "proxy voting" into the following proposed resolution:

**RESOLUTION NO. 3 PROPOSED BY THE WORLD VEXILLOLOGICAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE**

*Resolved by the voting Members of the Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques,*

(1) Article 13 is amended to read as follows:

- Art. 13     (a)     The General Assembly is composed of the ~~[officers]~~ Officers of the Board together with a delegate from each of the Full and Associate Members of the Federation. Each delegate must present to the President of the General Assembly written credentials from the Member represented.
- (b)     If the Member is an association or institution that is composed of members, then the person serving as the Member's delegate must be a dues-paying member of the association or institution. If the Member is an institution with no members, then the person serving as the Member's delegate must be an officer of the institution. [A Member may delegate any or all of its powers in writing to a delegate from any other Member or to an officer of the Federation.] A person may not serve as the delegate of more than one Member, nor may a person serve as both a delegate and an Officer. A person serving as a delegate must be a citizen or permanent resident of at least one of the countries in the territory where the Member functions.

- (c) The General Assembly is not validly constituted unless at least half its duly represented Full Members, as determined at the beginning of the session, are present, except as provided for in Art. 24.
- (d) Each Full Member and each [~~officer~~] Officer of the Board is entitled to one vote in the General Assembly.

(2) Additions to the Constitution are indicated by underlining and deletions to the Constitution are indicated by [~~enclosure in brackets and strikeouts~~]. If approved, the modified text shall appear in nonunderlined font without the bracketed and struck out text.

*Artikel 21:*

Unter Berufung auf Artikel 21 der heute gültigen Fassung der FIAV-Verfassung, finde ich es als sehr notwendig endlich die deutsche Fassung der FIAV-Verfassung auszuarbeiten und durch die FIAV-Vollversammlung anzunehmen. Die ersten notwendigen Schritte wurden schon im Jahre 1997 gemacht, als ich in Zusammenarbeit mit anderen deutschen Vexillologen (z.B. D. Beutel, J. Tenora etc.) eine deutsche Übersetzung der FIAV-Verfassung vorbereitet habe und dem damaligen General-Sekretär Dr. Emil Dreyer zugesandt habe. Zwar wurde dieser Punkt bei der FIAV-Vollversammlung im Jahre 1997 in Kapstadt über diese Problematik diskutiert, aber es wurden keine Beschlüsse angenommen. Die deutsche Sprache ist eine der wichtigsten vexillologischen Sprachen der Welt. Diese Sprache ist entweder alleinige Amtssprache bzw. eine von mehreren Amtssprachen in der Bundesrepublik Deutschland, Schweiz und Belgien - aus diesen drei genannten Staaten stammen insgesamt 7 Mitglieder der FIAV (von insgesamt 39).

Aber nicht nur die deutsche Sprache gebührt einer ihr zustehenden Respekt. Das gleiche gilt auch für die Spanische. Deshalb empfehle ich auch Ausarbeitung der spanischen Version der FIAV-Verfassung.

[Article 21:

*Pursuant to article 21 of the current FIAV Constitution, I find it noteworthy that we will finally get a German translation of the FIAV Constitution, through the work of the FIAV General Assembly. The first important step was taken in 1997 when I, working with German vexillologists, i.e., D. Beutel, J. Tenora, etc., prepared a German translation of the FIAV Constitution and sent it to the then Secretary-General Emil Dreyer. Although this issue was discussed at the 1997 General Assembly in Cape Town, there was no action taken. The German language is one of the most important vexillological languages in the world. German is one of the official languages of Germany, Switzerland, and Belgium; out of these three nations there are at least seven Members of FIAV (out of a total of 39).*

*But German is not the only language that should be afforded a certain level of respect. The same also goes for Spanish. For this reason, I recommend that we work on a Spanish translation of the FIAV Constitution.]*

[The Secretary-General does not regard the comments about article 21 to be a proposed resolution by WVRI.]

*Artikel 23:*

Hiermit unterstütze ich ausdrücklich die Bemühungen der FIAV Funktionäre, die sie auf der Seite 1 der *Info-FIAV* Nr. 11 zu Ausdruck gebracht haben. Es ist nötig, daß endlich die Farben der FIAV-Flagge spezifiziert werden. Der Vorschlag der FIAV-Funktionäre ist ohne wenn und aber zu unterstützen.

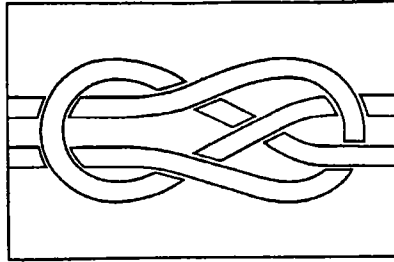
[Article 23:

*I expressly support the action taken by the FIAV board, which is published on page one of Info-FIAV no. 11. It is necessary to finally specify the colors of the FIAV flag. The proposal of the FIAV board should be supported.]*

[The Secretary-General does not regard the comments about article 23 to be a proposed resolution by WVRI.]

**The Secretary-General expresses his appreciation to Andreas Herzfeld, Michael J. Mucchetti, and Kirsten Bode-Mucchetti for their assistance with the English translation.**

## HISTORY OF FIAV'S FLAG



Flag and banner of the INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION  
OF VEXILLOLOGICAL ASSOCIATIONS

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On a blue field, extending horizontally from hoist to fly, two yellow halyards forming two interlaced loops.

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The halyards allude to the study of flags and banners. The blue field and halyards evoke the maritime origins of the first flags.

The interlaced loops recall the love-knots well-known to heraldists and symbolize the friendship which unites vexillologists of all lands.

The loops formed by the halyards resemble two hemispheres and in adding the four ends of the halyards, we arrive at the number six, standing for the six parts of the world. These elements of the flag thus underline the international character of our Federation. It may also be recalled that blue appears in the flags of a number of international organizations.

The fact that the halyards extend across the whole flag and disappear beyond either end express the considerable - almost infinite - extent of vexillological studies in time and space.

The initial design was created by Klaes Sierksma and slightly modified by the Congress Committee; the final design was realized by Peter Krog. Manufacturer: Schaltegger & Co., Zurich (Owner and Director: E. Oehrli).

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The FIAV flag was introduced on Sunday, September 3, 1967 at l'Institut Gottlieb Duttweiler in Rüschtikon (Zürich), Switzerland. The flag was presented by the then six-year old Guido Mühlemann, son of Louis Mühlemann, the secretary-general of ICV 2 and president of the FIAV provisional council.

In 1967, President Mühlemann presented the original FIAV flag to Whitney Smith. The flag is now a part of the collection of the Flag Research Center.

Thanks to the kind assistance of many people, the following lists of FIAV Officers, awards, meetings, Members, and former Members have been corrected and revised. The use of the character "?" means the Secretary-General has no knowledge of the particular matter, and there are definitely many "?"s still in the records. Accordingly, please inform the Secretary-General of any changes, additions (e.g., e-mail address or home page), errors, or omissions.

## OFFICERS

### Governing Board of the "International League of Vexillologists" (September 5, 1965 to September 3, 1967)

Louis Mühlemann† (Switzerland)  
 Klaes Sierksma (Netherlands)  
 Whitney Smith (United States)

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Louis Mühlemann† (Switzerland)	president
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Hans Horstman† (Germany, West)	councillor
Raffaele Natta-Soleri (Italy)	councillor
Georges Pasch (France)	councillor

### Presidents

Louis Mühlemann† (Switzerland)	September 7, 1969	to	September 17, 1973 <sup>1</sup>
Ottfried Neubeckert† (Germany, West)	September 17, 1973	to	August 28, 1981
Hugh Boudin (Belgium)	August 28, 1981	to	August 27, 1993
William G. Crampton† (United Kingdom)	August 27, 1993	to	June 4, 1997 <sup>2</sup>
vacant	June 4, 1997	to	August 14, 1997
Michel R. Lupant (Belgium)	August 14, 1997	to	present

### Secretaries-General

Whitney Smith (United States)	September 7, 1969	to	August 28, 1981
Ottfried Neubeckert† (Germany, West)	August 28, 1981	to	September 29, 1983
Whitney Smith (United States)	September 29, 1983	to	July 4, 1991
Emil Dreyer (Switzerland)	July 4, 1991	to	August 14, 1997
Charles A. Spain, Jr. (United States)	August 14, 1997	to	present

### Secretaries-General for Congresses

Klaes Sierksma (Netherlands)	September 7, 1969	to	August 28, 1981
Whitney Smith (United States)	August 28, 1981	to	September 29, 1983
William G. Crampton† (United Kingdom)	September 29, 1983	to	September 27, 1989
Ralph G.C. Bartlett (Australia)	September 27, 1989	to	August 14, 1997
Bruce B. Berry (South Africa)	August 14, 1997	to	present

### Councillors (abolished September 29, 1983)

Austria	Franz Kaindl	April 17, 1975	to	September 29, 1983
Belgium	Roger E. Harmignies	September 7, 1969	to	September 29, 1983
Canada	Harold A. Diceman	September 7, 1969	to	June 29, 1979
	Ralph Spence	June 29, 1979	to	September 29, 1983
Denmark	Christian Fogd Pedersen	September 17, 1973	to	September 29, 1983
Finland	Bo Tennberg	June 12, 1977	to	September 29, 1983
France	Georges Pasch	September 7, 1969	to	June 29, 1979
	Lucien Philippe	June 29, 1979	to	September 29, 1983
Germany, West	Ottfried Neubeckert†	September 7, 1969	to	September 17, 1973
	Johannes Klein	September 17, 1973	to	September 29, 1983

<sup>1</sup> Named Honorary President September 17, 1973.

<sup>2</sup> Died in office.

Italy	Raffaele Natta-Soleri	September 7, 1969	to	April 17, 1975
	Mario Gibellini	April 17, 1975	to	September 29, 1983
Netherlands	Johannes Hendrik Rombach†	?	to	June 24, 1971 (interim, named by NVVV after GA 1)
		June 24, 1971	to	September 29, 1983
Norway	Atle Grahl-Madsen†	September 17, 1973	to	September 29, 1983
Spain	Sebastián Herreros Agüí	June 29, 1979	to	September 29, 1983
Sweden	Leif Pålsson	April 18, 1975	to	June 12, 1977
	Walter Rydberg	June 12, 1977	to	September 29, 1983
Switzerland	Peter Mäder	September 7, 1969	to	June 29, 1979
	Louis Mühlemann†	June 29, 1979	to	September 29, 1983
United Kingdom	E.M.C. Barraclough†	September 7, 1969	to	June 24, 1971
	vacant	June 24, 1971	to	September 17, 1973
	William G. Crampton†	September 17, 1973	to	September 29, 1983
United States	William C. Spangler	September 7, 1969	to	September 29, 1983

## AWARDS

### Laureates of the Federation

E.M.C. Barraclough†	September 28, 1983
Whitney Smith	July 5, 1991

### Vexillon (sponsored by the Flag Society of Australia Inc.)

Bruce Nicolls	September 29, 1989
William G. Crampton†	July 5, 1991
María-José Sastre y Arribas	August 25, 1993
Frederick G. Brownell	July 5, 1995
Aleš Brožek	August 15, 1997

## International Congresses of Vexillology

### Venue

ICV 1 Muiderberg, North Holland, Netherlands  
ICV 2 Zürich, Zürich, Switzerland

### Dates

September 4 - 5, 1965  
September 1 - 3, 1967

ICV 3 Boston, Massachusetts, United States

September 5 - 7, 1969

ICV 4 Torino, Piedmont, Italy

June 24 - 27, 1971

ICV 5 London, England, United Kingdom

September 13 - 18, 1973

ICV 6 IJsselmeer, Netherlands

April 16 - 20, 1975

ICV 7 Washington, District of Columbia, United States

June 10 - 14, 1977

ICV 8 Wien, Vienna, Austria

June 26 - 29, 1979

ICV 9 Ottawa, Ontario, Canada

August 24 - 28, 1981

ICV 10 Oxford, England, United Kingdom

September 25 - 30, 1983

ICV 11 Madrid, Madrid, Spain

May 26 - 31, 1985

ICV 12 San Francisco, California, United States

August 12 - 16, 1987

ICV 13 Melbourne, Victoria, Australia

September 24 - 29, 1989

ICV 14 Barcelona, Catalonia, Spain

June 30 - July 5, 1991

ICV 15 Zürich, Zürich, Switzerland

August 23 - 27, 1993

ICV 16 Warszawa, Warszawa, Poland

July 1 - 5, 1995

ICV 17 Cape Town, Western Cape, South Africa

August 10 - 16, 1997

ICV 18 Victoria, British Columbia, Canada

July 28 to August 2, 1999

## FAIV General Assembly Sessions

GA 1 Boston, Massachusetts, United States

September 7, 1969

GA 2 Torino, Piedmont, Italy

June 24, 1971

GA 3 London, England, United Kingdom

September 14, 17, 1973

GA 4 IJsselmeer, Netherlands

April 17, 18, 1975

GA 5 Washington, District of Columbia, United States

June 12, 1977

GA 6 Wien, Vienna, Austria

June 29, 1979

GA 7 Ottawa, Ontario, Canada

August 27, 28, 1981

GA 8 Oxford, England, United Kingdom

September 26, 28, 29, 1983

GA 9 Madrid, Madrid, Spain

May 27, 28, 31, 1985

GA 10 San Francisco, California, United States

August 13, 14, 15, 1987

GA 11 Melbourne and Ballarat, Victoria, Australia

September 25, 27, 1989

GA 12 Barcelona and Montserrat, Catalonia, Spain

July 1, 2, 4, 1991

GA 13 Zürich, Zürich, Switzerland

August 23, 25, 27, 1993

GA 14 Warszawa, Warszawa, Poland

July 1, 2, 3, 5, 1995

GA 15 Cape Town, Western Cape, South Africa

August 11, 12, 14, 1997

GA 16 Victoria, British Columbia, Canada

July 29-31, 1999

### Organizer(s)

Stichting voor Banistiek en Heraldiek  
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Flag Research Center, Heraldry Society of Canada, North  
American Vexillological Association, United States Flag  
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Flag Institute

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Flag Research Center, North American Vexillological

Association

Gesellschaft für Österreichische Heereskunde

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Sociedad Española de Vexilología

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Association

Flag Society of Australia Inc.

Associació Catalana de Vexil·logia

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Flaggenkunde/Société Suisse de Vexillologie/Società

Svizzera di Vessillologia

Centrum Flagi Ziemi/Earth Flag Centre, Flag Design Center,

Polskie Towarzystwo Weksylogiczne

Southern African Vexillological Association

Canadian Flag Association/L'Association canadienne de

vexillologie, North American Vexillological Association

## MEMBERS

Since the publication of *Info-FAV* number 11, the Secretary-General has spent a significant amount of time updating, correcting, and standardizing the Member contact information. He thanks those Members which have kindly assisted him. The Secretary-General has also attempted to minimize any English bias in listing the contact information. Member's names are given in the native language; alternate versions are given only if used by the Member. Address information is given in the native language, with the exception of the country name, which is given in English. In keeping with international custom, city names are capitalized. Finally, personal titles have been eliminated due to the inaccurate, ambiguous, and incomplete information in the Secretary-General's possession.

**Please contact the Secretary-General concerning inaccurate, incomplete, or modified information.** Members are specifically encouraged to obtain an ISSN for all past and present periodical publications (information on obtaining an ISSN is available online from the ISSN International Centre in Paris at [www.issn.org](http://www.issn.org)).

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*Boletín A.P.C.R.A.* (Spanish; since ?)  
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Territory: Canada  
Periodical Publication: *Flagscan* (ISSN 0833-1510; English/French; quarterly since 1986)  
Supplements: *Banderín* (English; since 1999); *Dragonflags* (English; since 1999);  
*Ensign & Jack* (English; since 1998); *Flag City* (English; since 1998); *Flagnaut*  
(English; since 1998); *Flagsam* (English; since 1998); *Ifulegi* (English; since 1998);  
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Periodical Publication: *Gaceta de Banderas* (Spanish/French/English; eight times a year since 1979 (in collaboration with Sociedad Española de Vexilología))

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Established: 1972 summer ?  
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Membership Status: full  
Territory: Italy  
Periodical Publication: *Vexilla Italica* (Italian; since 1974)

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Established: 1978 Oct 24  
Member Since: 1995 Jul 3  
Membership Status: associate  
Territory: Poland  
Periodical Publication: *Weksyli@na: Biuletyn informacyjny rynku flagowo - heraldycznego* (ISSN 1505-3784; Polish; since 1997; available online at [www.paiz.gov.pl/wserwatowski](http://www.paiz.gov.pl/wserwatowski))

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 Member Since: 1995 Jul 3  
 Membership Status: full  
 Territory: United States: Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia  
 Periodical Publication: *The Flagship* (English; since 1993)

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 Member Since: 1997 Aug 12  
 Membership Status: full  
 Territory: Germany  
 Periodical Publications: *Der Flaggenkurier* (ISSN 0949-6173; German; semiannual since 1995)  
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 Periodical Publication: *Masthead* (ISSN 1173-1850; English; since 1994)

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 Territory: Poland  
 Periodical Publication: none

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 Established: 1973 Apr 23  
 Member Since: 1971 Jun 24  
 Membership Status: full  
 Territory: United Kingdom  
 Periodical Publications: *Flagmaster* (ISSN 0142-1271; English; semiannual since 1978)  
*Flag Institute Bulletin* (ISSN 0309-085X; English; irregular from 1977 to 1978)  
*Flagmaster* (ISSN 0142-5129; English; quarterly from 1971 to 1975)  
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 Member Since: 1969 Sep 7 (charter)  
 Membership Status: full  
 Territory: United States  
 Periodical Publications: *The Flag Bulletin* (ISSN 0015-3370; English; bimonthly since 1961)  
*Flag Specification Sheets* (English; irregular since 1960)  
*End of the Year Review* (English; annual since 1976)  
*News from the Vexillarium* (English; irregular since 1982)  
*Flag Etiquette & Usage Standards* (English; irregular since 1996)  
*Flag Information Sources* (English; from 1970 to 1973)  
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 Territory: Sri Lanka  
 Periodical Publication: *Flag* (1982 only)

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Established: 1983 Aug 20  
Member Since: 1985 May 28  
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Territory: Australia  
Periodical Publication: *Crux Australis* (ISSN 0814-5008; English; bimonthly since 1984)

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Periodical Publications: *Kleeblatt: Zeitschrift für Heraldik und verwandte Wissenschaften* (German; since ?)  
*Jahrbuch—Heraldischer Verein "Zum Kleeblatt" von 1888 zu Hannover e.V.* (ISSN 0341-9908; German; annually since ?)

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Periodical Publication: *It-Tarka u 'l-Bandiera/The Shield and the Flag* (English; since 1996)

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Membership Status: full  
Territory: France: Brittany  
Periodical Publication: *Ar Banniel* (ISSN 1274-5596; French/Breton; three times a year since 1996)

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Periodical Publication: none

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 Membership Status: full  
 Territory: United States  
 Periodical Publications: *the New Constellation* (ISSN 1048-7980; English; three times a year since 1990)  
*Flag Plaza Standard* (ISSN 0882-2220; English; three times a year from 1970 to 1990)  
 Notes: changed name on 1972 Apr 12 from Flag Plaza Foundation (FPF)

**Nederlandse Vereniging voor Vlaggenkunde (NVVV)**

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 Home Page: <http://home.wxs.nl/~marksens/nvvv>  
 Established: 1966 Jun 19  
 Member Since: 1969 Sep 7 (charter)  
 Membership Status: full  
 Territory: Netherlands  
 Periodical Publication: *Vexilla Nostra* (ISSN 1382-2497; Dutch; bimonthly from 1966 to 1998, quarterly since 1999)

**Nordisk Flaggselskab (NF)**

**Norræna Fánafélagið**  
**Nordiska Flaggsällskapet**  
**Pohjoismaiden Lippuseura**  
**Nordisk Flag Selskab**

c/o Lisbeth Stilling  
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Type: association  
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 Established: 1973 Jan 27  
 Member Since: 1973 Sep 14  
 Membership Status: full  
 Nationalities: Denmark, Iceland, Finland, Norway, and Sweden  
 Periodical Publications: *Nordisk Flagkontakt* (ISSN 0109-7539; multilingual; semiannual since 1985)  
*Nordisk Flaggskrift* (ISSN 0108-7916; Danish; irregular since 1975)

**North American Vexillological Association (NAVA)**

1977 N. Olden Ave. Ext., Ste. 225

TRENTON NJ 08618-2193

USA

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Home Page: http://www.nava.org  
Established: 1967 Jun 3, 1968 Mar 19 (incorporated)  
Member Since: 1969 Sep 7 (charter)  
Membership Status: full  
Nationalities: Canada and United States  
Periodical Publications: *NAVA News* (ISSN 1053-3338; English; bimonthly since 1967)  
*Raven: A Journal of Vexillology* (ISSN 1071-0043; English; annual since 1994)  
*NAVA Yearbook* (English; annual from 1973 to 1983)  
*NAVA Handbook* (English; 1986 and 1989)

**Partioheraldikot Ry (PH) [please note abbreviation has changed from PR]**

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20810 TURKU

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Established: 1972 Nov 22  
Member Since: 1985 May 28  
Membership Status: full  
Territory: Finland  
Periodical Publication: *Liehuvat Värät* (ISSN 0357-1432; Finnish; quarterly since 1970)

**Polskie Towarzystwo Weksylologiczne (PTW)**

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02-634 WARSZAWA

Poland

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Established: 1992 Oct 10  
Member Since: 1995 Jul 3  
Membership Status: full  
Territory: Poland  
Periodical Publication: none

**Schweizerische Gesellschaft für Fahnen- und Flaggenkunde (SSV)****Société Suisse de Vexillologie****Società Svizzera di Vessillologia**

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Established: 1967 Jan 21  
Member Since: 1969 Sep 7 (charter)  
Membership Status: full  
Territory: Switzerland  
Periodical Publication: *Vexilla Helvetica* (since 1969)

**Sociedad Española de Vexilología (SEV)**

c/o Tomás Rodríguez Peñas  
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President/Other: Jesús Ruiz de Burgos Moreno, president  
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Established: 1977 Oct 31  
Member Since: 1979 Jun 29  
Membership Status: full  
Territory: Spain  
Periodical Publications: *Banderas* (ISSN 0213-0955; Spanish; quarterly since 1979)  
*Gaceta de Banderas* (Spanish/French/English; eight times a year since 1979 (in collaboration with Centre Belgo-Européen d'Études des Drapeaux))

**Societas Vexillologica Belgica (SVB)**

c/o Hugh Boudin  
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CANTERBURY  
Kent  
CT1 2AJ  
United Kingdom

Type: association  
President/Other: Hugh Boudin, president  
Established: 1977 Aug 30  
Member Since: 1979 Jun 29  
Membership Status: full  
Territory: Belgium  
Periodical Publications: *Vexilla Belgica* (ISSN 0772-3261; multilingual; annual from 1977 to 1993)  
*Vexillinfo* (ISSN 0772-3253; multilingual; irregular from 1980 to 1990)



**Société française de vexillologie (SFV)**

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Secretary: Marc Landry, secretary-general

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Established: 1985 Mar 16

Member Since: 1991 Jul 1

Membership Status: full

Territory: France

Periodical Publications: *Franciae Vexilla* (ISSN 1270-0096; French; quarterly since 1996)  
*Emblèmes et pavillons* (ISSN 0769-7864; French; quarterly from 1985 to 1996)  
*Annuaire de la Société française de vexillologie* (ISSN 0981-2180; French; 1986 only)

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**Southern African Vexillological Association (SAVA)**

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South Africa

Type: association

President/Other: Frederick G. Brownell, chairman

Secretary: Bruce B. Berry, secretary

Telephone: + 27 (11) 313 3502 (Bruce Berry)

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e-mail: bruce@dbsa.org (Bruce Berry)

Home Page: <http://www.netads.co.za/sava>

Established: 1990 Nov 26

Member Since: 1991 Jul 2

Membership Status: full

Nationalities: Angola, Botswana, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Swaziland, Zambia, and Zimbabwe

Periodical Publications: *SAVA Journal* (English; since 1992)  
*SAVA Newsletter* (English; since 1991)

**Tumbling Waters Museum of Flags (TWMF)**

c/o Charles E. Brannon

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MONTGOMERY AL 36101-0002

USA

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Established: 1974 Jul 1

Member Since: 1975 Apr 17

Membership Status: full

Territory: United States

Periodical Publication: *Flags* (English; from 1975 to 1978)

**Українське геральдичне товариство (UHT)**

**Ukrayins'ke Heral'dychne Tovarystvo**

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Ukraine

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Established: 1990 Jul 9  
Member Since: 1995 Jul 3  
Membership Status: full  
Territory: Ukraine  
Periodical Publication: *Знак (Znak)/The Sign* (Ukrainian; since 1993)

**United States Flag Foundation (USFF)**

c/o David L. White

Flag Plaza

1275 Bedford Ave.

PITTSBURGH PA 15219-3699

USA

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Established: 1942 Dec 31  
Member Since: 1969 Sep 7 (charter)  
Membership Status: full  
Territory: United States  
Periodical Publication: none

**Västra Sveriges Heraldiska Sällskap (VSHS)**

Förtroligheten 4

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Sweden

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Established: 1960 Dec 14 (branch of Societas Heraldica Scandinavica), 1963 ? (established as independent organization)  
Member Since: 1985 May 31  
Membership Status: full  
Territory: Sweden  
Periodical Publication: *Meddelande från VSHS* (Swedish; irregular since ?)

**Vexilologický Klub (VK)**

c/o Ludvík Mucha  
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Home Page: <http://web.vsp.cz/cvp/vk/vk.htm>  
Established: 1972 Jan 29  
Member Since: 1991 Jul 1 (honorary affiliate); 1993 Aug 23 (full)  
Membership Status: full  
Territory: Czech Republic  
Periodical Publication(s): *Vexilologie* (ISSN 1211-2615; Czech (English translations of articles available); since 1972)  
*Vexillological Letters* (Czech; irregular since 1976)  
*Vexilokontakt* (Czech; irregular since 1989 (in collaboration with Støedisko Vexilologických Informací/Flag Data Centre))

**World Vexillological Research Institute (WVRI)**

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Established: ?  
Member Since: 1993 Aug 23  
Membership Status: full  
Territory: Germany  
Periodical Publication: *Flaggen, Wappen und Siegel* (ISSN 0948-3748; German; since ? (in collaboration with Das Flaggenkabinett Berlin))

**Zászlókutató Intézet (ZI)****Flag Research Institute**

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Type: association  
President/Other: Zoltan P. Hovath, director  
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Established: ?  
Member Since: 1995 Jul 5  
Membership Status: full  
Territory: Hungary  
Periodical Publication: *Zászlóvilág/Flagworld* (Hungarian; since ?)  
Notes: changed name on 1995 ? from Magyar Vexillológiai Társaság/Hungarian Vexillological Association (HUVA)

## FORMER MEMBERS

### **Accademia di San Marignano, Sezione Vessillologica (ASM)**

Established: 1967 summer ?  
Member Since: 1969 Sep 7 (charter)  
Membership Status: former (removed 1987 Aug 13)  
Territory: Italy  
Periodical Publication: *Armi Antiche* (ISSN 0403-2268; multilingual; annual since 1954)  
Notes: flag section ceased to be active 1975

### **Association française d'études internationale de vexillologie (AFEIV)**

Established: 1966 Dec 2  
Member Since: 1969 Sep 7 (charter)  
Membership Status: former (resigned 1987 ?)  
Territory: France  
Periodical Publication(s): *Vexillologia* (French; from 1969 to 1975)  
Notes: changed name on 1969 Jul 28 from Association internationale d'études vexillologique (AIEV); ceased to be active in late 1975 or early 1976

### **Cumann Vexilleolaíoch na hÉireann (CVE)**

#### **Vexillological Society of Ireland**

Established: 1984 Mar 3  
Member Since: 1985 May 28  
Membership Status: former (resigned 1992 ?)  
Territory: Ireland  
Periodical Publication: *Irish Vexillology Newsletter* (?; from 1984 to 1987)

### **Gesellschaft für Österreichische Heereskunde (GOH)**

Established: 1972 ? (established as "study circle"), 1975 ? (became "constituted association")  
Member Since: 1975 Apr 17  
Membership Status: former (resigned 1997 Jan 3)  
Territory: Austria  
Periodical Publication: *Militaria Austriaca* (German; since 1977)

### **Heraldry Society, Flag Section (HSFS)**

Established: 1967 Sep 7  
Member Since: 1969 Sep 7 (charter)  
Membership Status: former (removed 1987 Aug 13)  
Territory: United Kingdom  
Periodical Publication: *Flagmaster* (ISSN 0142-5129; English; quarterly from 1971 to 1975)  
Notes: ceased to be active 1972 Apr 11

### **Office Généalogique et Héraldique de Belgique (OGHB)**

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Home Page: <http://www.ufsia.ac.be/genealogy/wallonia/oghb1.htm>

Established: 1942 May 4

Member Since: 1969 Sep 7 (charter)

Membership Status: former (resigned 1985 ?)

Territory: Belgium

Periodical Publications: *Le Parchemin* (?; since ?)

*Le Héraut* (?; since ?)

*Le Recueil* (?; since ?)

**Stichting voor Banistiek en Heraldiek (SBH)**

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Netherlands  
Established: 1964 Jun 30  
Member Since: 1969 Sep 7 (charter)  
Membership Status: former (resigned 1981 ? following ICV 9)  
Territory: Netherlands

**Wappen-Herold (WH)**

Established: 1963 Nov 6  
Member Since: 1969 Sep 7 (charter)  
Membership Status: former (removed 1995 Jul 3)  
Territory: Germany  
Periodical Publication: *Der Tappert* (ISSN 0082-1705; German; irregular from 1964 to 1981)

**CONSTITUTION (FRENCH TRANSLATION)**

This translation is originally the work of Hugh Boudin, with subsequent modifications by John Adcock, Emil Dreyer, Michel Lupant, Jean Renault, and Charles Spain. Please note that in the event of a conflict, the English text of the Constitution is considered the authentic text because it was the text officially adopted by the General Assembly.

**CONSTITUTION DE LA FÉDÉRATION  
INTERNATIONALE DES ASSOCIATIONS VEXILLOLOGIQUES**

- I. DES BUTS DE LA FÉDÉRATION
- Art. 1. La Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques réunit à travers le monde les associations et institutions dont l'objet est l'étude de la vexillologie, c'est à dire la création et le développement d'un ensemble de connaissances sur les drapeaux de tous types, leurs formes, leur utilisation ainsi que les théories scientifiques et les principes basés sur ces connaissances.
- Art. 2. La Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques (désormais "La Fédération") poursuit les buts suivants:
- a) Créer un lien solide entre les associations et institutions précitées et encourager et coordonner leurs travaux, études et recherches,
  - b) promouvoir la tenue périodique de Congrès internationaux de vexillologie et soutenir leur organisateurs,
  - c) encourager la création dans tous les pays d'associations et d'institutions consacrées à la vexillologie,
  - d) établir des critères internationaux pour aider au développement de ces activités.
- Art. 3. Etant strictement scientifique, la Fédération ne poursuit aucun but lucratif et s'interdit toute activité et prise de position politiques ou religieuses.
- II. DU SECRÉTARIAT
- Art. 4. Les centres administratifs de la Fédération sont situés aux résidences des secrétaires-généraux. Elle peut également avoir un siège social.
- III. DES MEMBRES
- Art. 5. Pour devenir membre de la Fédération il faut:
- a) être un organisme du type décrit dans l'Art. 1 de la présente Constitution,

- b) se consacrer aux buts de la Fédération décrits à l'Art. 2 de la présente Constitution,
- c) que l'organisme soit constitué selon la législation en vigueur dans le pays où il fonctionne.

Art. 6 La qualité de membre actif de la Fédération est accessible à toute association ou institution, partout dans le monde, ayant comme but principal l'étude scientifique de la vexillologie. Devenir membre associé de la Fédération est possible pour toute association ou institution, partout dans le monde, ayant la vexillologie comme centre d'intérêt subsidiaire.

L'instruction des demandes d'affiliation est de la responsabilité du Conseil de la Fédération. Le Conseil peut, s'il le désire, transmettre cette demande à une personne choisie par lui dans ce but. La procédure est la suivant comme suit:

- a) Le candidat membre doit compléter le formulaire de demande d'affiliation qui doit être reçu par le Conseil au moins six mois avant l'ouverture de l'Assemblée générale suivante de la Fédération.
- b) Le Conseil examinera le formulaire et fera une proposition au sujet de la demande à l'Assemblée générale et fera connaître cette proposition au demandeur et aux membres de la Fédération au moins trois mois avant l'ouverture de l'Assemblée générale suivante de la Fédération.
- c) Le Conseil peut proposer l'affiliation comme membre actif ou comme membre associé ou peut en proposer le rejet.
- d) À sa réunion suivante l'Assemblée générale vote sur la demande. Un représentant mandaté du demandeur peut être présent pour présenter sa demande. Une demande rejetée peut être représentée à toute Assemblée générale subséquente.

En prenant sa décision le Conseil et l'Assemblée générale tiendront compte des points suivants:

- a) L'existence d'un texte de constitution et ses dispositions,
- b) les activités vexillologiques et non vexillologiques du demandeur comprendront
  - i. des réunions
  - ii. des publications
  - iii. et des relations internationales,
- c) dans le cas d'une association, le nombre de ses affiliés cotisants (le nombre minimum d'affiliés est cinq),
- d) la participation de ses affiliés aux Congrès internationaux de vexillologie soutenus par la Fédération,
- e) la longueur de son existence, et
- f) la présence d'un représentant autochtone et mandaté du demandeur à l'Assemblée générale traitant de sa demande d'affiliation.

Art. 7 La démission volontaire de tout membre doit être reçue par écrit par le Président de la Fédération. Elle est effective à la date de sa réception.

Art. 8 Le Conseil peut, s'il le désire, demander à un membre de fournir la preuve qu'il continue à satisfaire aux critères précisés dans l'Art. 6. Selon cette preuve ou à son absence, le Conseil peut proposer à l'Assemblée générale la continuation ou la modification de la qualité de membre de l'association ou de l'institution. Si la proposition est faite révoquer un membre de la Fédération ou de changer son statut de membre actif en celui de membre associé, le membre visé doit être averti au moins trois mois avant l'Assemblée générale prévue pour ce vote. Le membre sera invité à présenter sa défense devant l'Assemblée générale, mais ne pourra pas voter en la matière.

Art. 9 Chaque membre de la Fédération régit ses propres affaires en pleine liberté, sous réserve du respect des lois en vigueur dans le pays où il fonctionne. La Fédération ne peut pas limiter les droits des membres en cette matière.

- Art. 10 Les membres de la Fédération ne doivent pas entreprendre des activités contraires aux intérêts de la Fédération.
- Art. 11 La Fédération ne peut pas agir au nom de ses membres sans une autorisation accordée en Assemblée générale. Les membres ne peuvent pas prendre des engagements ou agir au nom de la Fédération, ni tenir des congrès internationaux de leur propre initiative.
- Art. 12 L'Assemblée générale peut nommer des personnes ayant fortement contribué à la vexillologie comme Lauréats de la Fédération. Cette distinction ne confère aucun droit au sein de la Fédération.
- IV. DE L'ASSEMBLÉE GÉNÉRALE
- Art. 13 L'Assemblée générale est composée des membres du Conseil et d'un délégué de chaque actif ou associé membre de la Fédération. Chaque délégué doit présenter au président de l'Assemblée générale des lettres de créances provenant du membre représenté. Un membre peut déléguer par écrit certains ou tous ses pouvoirs à un délégué d'un autre membre ou à un membre du Conseil.
- L'Assemblée générale n'est valablement constituée que si la moitié de ses membres actifs, reconnus comme tels au début de la session, dûment représentés y sont présents excepté le cas prévu à l'Art. 24. Chaque membre actif et chaque membre du Conseil dispose d'une voix lors des votes en Assemblée générale.
- Art. 14 Les majorités lors des Assemblées générales sont constituées de la façon suivante:
- a) La majorité simple pour l'élection d'un membre du Conseil. Dans le cas où il y a plus de deux candidats pour ce poste du Conseil et si aucun d'eux n'a atteint la majorité simple, le candidat avec le nombre de votes le plus bas sera éliminé du scrutin suivant, et ainsi de suite.
  - b) deux tiers pour les votes ordinaires, et
  - c) trois quarts pour les amendements à la Constitution ou la dissolution de la Fédération.
- Art. 15 Les pouvoirs de l'Assemblée générale sont les suivants:
- a) L'élection du Président et des deux Secrétaires-Généraux,
  - b) l'examen et l'approbation de l'administration du Conseil et des Commissions,
  - c) l'examen de toutes les questions concernant la Fédération et en particulier l'organisation des Congrès internationaux de vexillologie,
  - d) l'interprétation de la Constitution de la Fédération,
  - e) la nomination des Lauréats de la Fédération, l'octroi des distinctions qui semblent appropriées à des personnes ou institutions qui ont des mérites particuliers dans le domaine de la vexillologie,
  - f) la fixation des montants et la disposition des cotisations annuelles à payer par les membres,
  - g) la nomination des Commissions spéciales.
- Art. 16 L'Assemblée générale se réunit au moins tous les deux ans, normalement à l'occasion du Congrès international de vexillologie. Elle doit être convoquée par le Conseil au moins trois mois à l'avance avec l'envoi de l'ordre du jour y compris tout amendement proposé à la Constitution de la Fédération.
- Art. 17 L'Assemblée générale peut-être convoquée en réunion extraordinaire si des circonstances extraordinaires l'exigent, jugées comme telles par le Conseil ou si les trois quarts des membres actifs le demandent au Conseil.
- V. DE L'ADMINISTRATION DE LA FÉDÉRATION
- Art. 18 L'administration de la Fédération est confiée au Conseil qui agit uniquement par consentement unanime. Le Conseil est composé du Président de la Fédération et de ses deux

Secrétaires-généraux.

Le Conseil, élu à la fin de chaque Assemblée générale, fonctionne jusqu'à l'élection du nouveau Conseil à l'Assemblée générale suivante. Le consentement des candidats à l'élection est requis. Les membres du Conseil sont rééligibles.

Les deux Secrétaires-généraux résideront dans des continents différents. Un Secrétaire-général s'occupera du Secrétariat permanent de la Fédération et l'autre s'occupera du Secrétariat permanent des Congrès internationaux de vexillologie. Le Conseil est considéré comme étant en réunion ininterrompue tenue par correspondance. Il doit se réunir une fois entre les Congrès internationaux de vexillologie.

- Art. 19 Le Conseil de la Fédération
- a) S'occupe des affaires courantes de la Fédération et établit les devoirs et les obligations de ses membres,
  - b) publie des directives considérées comme nécessaires pour le succès des activités de la Fédération, y compris les Congrès internationaux de vexillologie,
  - c) constitue les Commissions jugées nécessaires et en désigne les membres,
  - d) convoque les Assemblées générales en accord avec les Art. 16 et 17 de la présente Constitution,
  - e) représente la Fédération dans ses relations avec d'autres institutions nationales et internationales,
  - f) s'occupe de l'instruction des procédures d'affiliation en accord avec l'Art. 6 de la présente Constitution et encourage l'affiliation de nouveaux membres à la Fédération.
- Art. 20 Tous les actes engageant la Fédération doivent être signés par le Président et les deux Secrétaires-généraux. La correspondance courante peut être signée soit par le Président soit par un des Secrétaires-généraux.
- VI. DES LANGUES
- Art. 21 Les langues officielles des Congrès internationaux de vexillologie seront l'anglais, le français, l'allemand et l'espagnol. D'autres langues peuvent également être utilisées, si cela s'avère opportun.
- VII. DES PUBLICATIONS
- Art. 22 L'organe officiel de la Fédération est THE FLAG BULLETIN (ISSN 00165-3370). En plus la Fédération publiera une feuille d'informations au sujet de ses activités au moins une fois l'an à l'intention de ses membres. Ces textes peuvent être reproduits librement. L'Assemblée générale peut lancer ou autoriser d'autres publications.
- VIII. DES SYMBOLES
- Art. 23 Le drapeau de la Fédération est décrit et illustré dans le *Recueil du 11 Congrès International de Vexillologie de Zurich 1967*. L'Assemblée générale peut proposer ou autoriser d'autres symboles pour la Fédération.
- IX. DE LA DISSOLUTION
- Art. 24 La dissolution de la Fédération peut être uniquement envisagée à une réunion de l'Assemblée générale à laquelle participeront au moins trois quarts des membres actifs. Les membres empêchés d'assister à l'Assemblée générale peuvent soumettre des votes écrits légalisés. Ladite Assemblée générale déterminera les modalités de la dissolution.

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