

FIDEM

*Fédération Internationale de la Médaille d'Art
International Art Medal Federation*

Summary of the Minutes of the Executive (EC) and Consultative (CC) Committees with delegates held at Tamperer Hall, Tampere (Finland), on Tuesday 9th June 2009, 13.30-17.00:

Participating EC Members: All Executive Committee members were present

Participating CC Members: two members

Participating Delegates from: France, Slovakia, Bulgaria, Canada, Germany, Portugal, Finland, Great Britain

Participating Vice Delegate from: Finland,

Ms Maria Rosa Figueiredo, the General Secretary took notes for the minutes.

- Mr Ilkka Voionmaa, President of FIDEM opened the meeting

- The meeting honoured the memory of the deceased FIDEM members after the meeting in Brussels: Dora de Pédery-Hunt, Canada (1913-2008), Berndt Helleberg, Sweden (1920-2008), Irene Vilar, Portugal (1931-2008), Gunvor Svensson Lundkvist, Sweden (1916-2009), António Luz Correia, Portugal (1925-2008).

- Ms Inês Ferreira, **the Treasurer's comments:** In 2008 FIDEM had 20 new members. We have now 350 individual members and 90 institutional members. The printing of *Médailles* magazine was supported by the Portuguese Mint and postages supported by the Calouste Gulbenkian Foundation. The Treasurer proposal on increasing the deposit account at the Nordea Bank was accepted.

- **Discussion on membership payments:**

Membership fees are confirmed by the General Assembly and they will from now on be paid in euros (or US dollars using an exchange rate agreed upon) either using the FIDEM website or through the national delegate.

- **FIDEM Congresses after Tampere 2010:**

It is advisable to maintain the tradition of having a FIDEM Congress every two years. It was decided that the congress after Tampere in 2010 will be in Europe. Discussions on the FIDEM XXXII 2012 will continue with the delegates of Belgium, Great Britain, the Czech Republic and Italy and on FIDEM XXXIII congress with Slovakia. It was pointed out that 2012 is also the 75th anniversary of FIDEM.

- **Other items:**

Discussion on congress guidelines

Information on The Medals of Dishonour Exhibition at the British Museum

- ***Médailles* Journal 2008:** Ms Maria Rosa Figueiredo, the editor, was thanked for the great work of editing *Médailles*. It was also noted - with thanks - that The Portuguese Mint had paid for the printing of *Médailles*.

- **The Website:**

The website is now in excellent shape thanks to the Ms Marie-Astrid Voisin, the webmaster. FIDEM members are asked to make good use of the site and inform the webmaster on medallic events in their countries.

- **The logo competition:** There had been ten submissions all in all. The jury has awarded the 1st prize to the French medallist Nicolas Salagnac, and the 2nd prize to Mr Jozé Espiga Pinto from Portugal.

- **FIDEM XXXI Tampere Congress 2010 :**

The Congress site: On the site of the Congress www.tampere.fi/fidem the members can find information in English and in Finnish. The forms needed for the congress are also in French (submission form, inventory, proforma invoice). Medals for the exhibition **should arrive in Tampere by 30th November 2009**. Proforma invoice will be used by countries outside the E.U. **FIDEM non-members should pay FIDEM € 40 (if they want to have their medals displayed and receive the catalogue of the exhibition) or € 20 (to display their medals without the catalogue).**

The congress fees for participants will be informed about later on the website. Early bird payments will be considered. The participation fee will include the full program with the catalogue and the medal.

Different types of **accommodation** will be arranged.

The Exhibition FIDEM XXXI has been titled "Art Medal in a Global World", this is a generic title and not a compulsory theme to be followed by participating artists. A parallel exhibition will be organized at the Saskia Gallery.

The traditional **post-Congress trip** (Sunday-Monday) will go to the cities of Turku and Helsinki among other things.

Catalogues: Delegates should send their introductory texts for the catalogue **by the end of February 2010. About 1 page (500 words)**. Artist information in the catalogue should include their names, years of birth and addresses, including e-mail, which enables them to sell their medals after the exhibition.

Call for papers will be launched in the very near future. Delegates should make an effort to find speakers in their own countries. The length of the lecture is about 20 minutes followed by a discussion.

The Congress Medal will be ordered from a Finnish artist by the organizers. The organizers give detailed information on **advertising in the exhibition** catalogue and program book.

Prizes: There will be the FIDEM Grand Prix and at least a prize for Young Artists (younger than 30 years).

Medal quota : The quotas per country were reviewed, according to Delegates' requests. The information has been sent to the national delegates. Non-paying countries, should be sent a letter informing that due to this fact, they cannot have medals on show.

The Medal Fair will take place at the Winter Garden of Tampere Hall.

- **The webmaster** will study the design and layout of the Statutes of FIDEM, the Guidelines for Congress Organizers, and the leaflet to be distributed among Medal Contest Organizers. The Lisbon Mint can possibly print those rules at a fair price (500 print run).

- The President closed the meeting at around 5.30 p.m.