Bye-Laws (Proposals by Members to the General Assembly)

Pursuant to Art. 9 of the Articles of Association, Members are entitled to submit proposals to the General Assembly. Members wishing to do so shall comply with the following bye-laws.

- 1. Any proposal must be transmitted to the Secretariat no later than 15 June, ahead of the General Assembly meeting in September.
- 2. A proposal must make clear if it is submitted for discussion or if it requires a formal vote by the General Assembly. If a formal vote on a proposal is requested, the wording of such proposal must be clearly set out.
- 3. Proposals shall be considered in their chronological order of transmission. If the Secretariat has received more than two proposals by 15 June, and unless the Board decides otherwise, only the first two proposals submitted shall be included in the Agenda for consideration by the forthcoming General Assembly. Initiators of later proposals not retained by the Board shall be duly informed by the Secretariat and may request that their proposal be retained for the next General Assembly.
- 4. The text of the proposal, including any supporting document, shall be made available to the Members at the latest 30 days before the General Assembly, together with the Agenda and other documents submitted to the General Assembly.
- 5. Initiators of a proposal may address the General Assembly. The Chair will assign the time available for each of the speakers and moderate the debate that should not exceed 15 minutes, unless otherwise decided by the Board.