



IHGC Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

*Nuremberg, Germany
November 12, 2012*

The 3rd IHGC meeting in 2012 took place in the hotel Maritim in Nuremberg, Germany – on November 12, 2012. After a welcome coffee/tea and the usual meeting of the Economic Commission, the IHGC president Mr. B. Ingwiller opened the regular Executive Committee meeting with thanks for a good organisation of the hop tour in Romania in July and wishes to IHGC delegates for good business opportunities. The following agenda was proposed:

AGENDA

1. Quorum of the IHGC
2. Minutes approval of the meeting on July 28, 2012
3. Information about the Congress in Belgium
4. Future IHGC meetings
5. Sundries

Point 1

Between the 2 meetings some of delegates did apologise their absence for the sake of their obligations linked to the BRAU-BEVIALE fair. However, a quorum for formal IHGC decisions was constituted, since on the meeting, 19 of presently 33 IHGC member representatives proved their presence, which was more than one third of all the members, as required by the Standing Orders. The delegates representing the IHGC country member hop associations (13 of 19) and hop industry companies (6 of 14) are listed below:

Australia:	<i>absent</i>	Ukraine:	<i>Nikolay Mikhailov</i>
Austria:	<i>Hermann Bayer</i>	USA:	<i>Ann George</i>
Belgium:	<i>Eric Lagache</i>		
Czech rep.:	<i>Michal Kovařík</i>	Joh.Barth&Sohn:	<i>Peter Hintermeier</i>
France:	<i>Francis Heitz</i>	German Hop Ind. Ass.:	<i>Josef Grauvogl</i>
FR Germany:	<i>Otmar Weingarten</i>	Hop Assoc. of Poland:	<i>absent</i>
New Zealand:	<i>Doug Donelan</i>	X. Fub. Sapporo Hop:	<i>absent</i>
Poland:	<i>absent</i>	Hopsteiner:	<i>Heinz-Jürgen Cooberg</i>
PR China	<i>JianLu Liu</i>	CZ Union Hop M&P:	<i>Zdeňek Rosa</i>
R South Africa:	<i>absent</i>	Inbarco:	<i>Ivo Bračun</i>
Romania:	<i>Akatiu E. Mora</i>	S.A.E. Fomento d. lupulo:	<i>absent</i>
Russia:	<i>absent</i>	Ukrkhmiel:	<i>absent</i>
Serbia:	<i>absent</i>	Charles Faram & Co. ltd:	<i>absent</i>
Slovakia:	<i>Václav Drabant</i>	Am. Dwarf Hop Assoc.:	<i>Leslie A. Roy</i>
Slovenia:	<i>Martina Zupančič</i>	Xinjiang Kinner Agric.:	<i>absent</i>
Spain:	<i>Belén Matilla</i>	Hmezad exim:	<i>absent</i>
U. K.:	<i>absent</i>	Brewers Supply Group:	<i>absent</i>

Point 2

The Executive Committee minutes from the meeting in Romania on July 28, 2012 had been published together with other meeting documents on the IHGC web site www.ihgc.org. Delegates of member countries have been informed with the IHGC newsletters. In this way the meeting materials have openly been available to other delegates and hop industry stakeholders. No comments or supplementary claims were submitted, thus the minutes were adopted unanimously.

Point 3

The 54th IHGC congress in Poperinge, Belgium is scheduled for August 5-8, 2013. The Belgian delegate Mr. E. Lagache presented in brief preliminary printed congress and promotion materials. An estimation of the congress participants' number will be appreciated by the organisers till the next meeting. In addition, there is also a congress web site in elaboration. Delegates will be updated about further details as soon as more information is available.

Point 4

The following proposals for the future meetings within the IHGC were discussed and approved:

- The meeting of the Economic Commission and Executive Committee on April, 26, 2013 in Paris, France.
- The meeting of the Scientific Commission on June 4-9, 2013 in Kiev, Ukraine.
- The IHGC hop tour with usual formal meetings in July/August 2014 in Austria.
- The 55th IHGC congress in July/August 2015 in Germany.

No other meeting plans were discussed.

Point 5

In a final open discussion delegates were encouraged again to update regularly their country reports with precise hop statistics – so that a good estimation of the global hop supply would be possible.

Related to the draft version of the Standing orders with proposed amendments - any eventual further comments (linked to the English version) should be sent directly to the IHGC secretariat in 4 weeks after the meeting. After that the group appointed for finalising the proposal will elaborate the existing version and make it ready for further formalities. The German version of the Standing orders will be prepared on time as well. Furthermore, it is planned to approve the amendments on the next meeting in Paris.

The IHGC president closed the meeting and thanked to delegates for their participation.

IHGC Secretary General
Dr. Martin Pavlovič