



# IHGC Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

*Nuremberg, Germany*

*November 11, 2019*

## **AGENDA**

1. Opening of the meeting and delegates' quorum
2. Approval of the meeting minutes from August 1, 2019
3. IHGC Committees' activities
4. Hop tour 2020 in Argentina and future meetings
5. Compliance rules for the IHGC (Commitment declaration)
6. Sundries

## **Point 1**

The Executive Committee meeting took place on November 11, 2019 in the Maritim hotel in Nuremberg, Germany. The IHGC president Leslie Roy opened the Executive Committee meeting – after the Economic Committee meeting had been finished – proposing the agenda, which was adopted. In addition, delegates were reminded to respect the IHGC Compliance rules.

A quorum for formal IHGC decisions was constituted, since 22 of 34 (at that time) IHGC member representatives proved their presence on the meeting (see Participants). That was more than one third (65 %) of all the members, as required by the Constitution of the IHGC. The delegates representing the IHGC country member hop associations (10 of 20) and hop industry companies (12 of 14) are listed below:

Argentina:	<i>absent</i>	Joh. Barth & Sohn:	<i>Peter Hintermeier</i>
Australia:	<i>absent</i>	Hopsteiner:	<i>Pascal Piroué</i>
Austria:	<i>Manuel Starlinger</i>	German Hop Ind. Assoc.:	<i>Korbinian Meier</i>
Belgium:	<i>Joris Cambie</i>	CZ Union Hop M&P:	<i>Josef Patzak</i>
Canada:	<i>absent</i>	Hopsteiner Spain S.A.:	<i>José A. Magadán</i>
Czech rep.:	<i>Michal Kovařík</i>	Yakima Chief - Hops:	<i>Steve Carpenter</i>
France:	<i>Francis Heitz</i>	Assoc. for Dev. of Hop Agr.:	<i>Leslie A. Roy</i>
FR Germany:	<i>Otmar Weingarten</i>	Brewers Supply Group:	<i>Laura Hansen</i>
New Zealand:	<i>absent</i>	Charles Faram & Co. Ltd:	<i>Paul Corbett</i>
Poland:	<i>Andrzej Szałas</i>	Powisle s.j.:	<i>absent</i>
PR China	<i>absent</i>	Inbarco:	<i>Ivo Bračun</i>
R South Africa:	<i>absent</i>	Hmezad exim:	<i>Mihael Vitko</i>
Romania:	<i>absent</i>	HVG Germany:	<i>Dr. Johann Pichlmaier</i>
Russia:	<i>absent</i>	Xinjiang Sapporo Hop:	<i>absent</i>
Slovakia:	<i>absent</i>		
Slovenia:	<i>Jernej Ribič</i>		
Spain:	<i>José A. Magadán</i>		
U. K.:	<i>Christopher Daws</i>		
Ukraine:	<i>absent</i>		
USA:	<i>Rachel Becker</i>		

## Point 2

The Executive Committee minutes from the meeting in Ljubljana, Slovenia on August 1, 2019, had been published on the homepage [www.ihgc.org](http://www.ihgc.org). Contact delegates have been updated with meeting contents within the IHGC newsletter documents' links and meeting materials have thus been available to stakeholders. No comments or supplementary claims had been submitted, so the minutes were adopted unanimously.

## Point 3

Co-chairman of the Committee on Regulatory Harmonization Otmar Weingarten illustrated in detail points of the Global Hop Summit – to be held on November 18, 2019 in Brussels (IHGC Resolution). The event discussion topics embrace introduction of new methods for efficient irrigation and needs-based fertilization, necessary reorientation of pest and disease control as well as significant intensification of breeding and research to achieve these objectives. Relevant EU parliament members had been invited to join the evening discussion table event, as well.

Chairman of the Scientific-Technical Committee Dr. Florian Weihrauch presented and commented the IHGC updated list of hop varieties for 2019. The IHGC hop variety list 2019 has increased by almost 20 new names, from Akoya to Zula - now having 283 entries of varieties that have been produced commercially in 2019 and bear a valid name and a unique 3-character code. In addition, Dr. Weihrauch introduced a similar future project: He had been approached from the hop industry with the request to propose likewise standardized 3-character codes for each hop growing region in IHGC member countries. Dr. Weihrauch outlined a first draft of such growing region codes and was then asked by IHGC president Leslie Roy to work out a complete draft proposal that could be presented and discussed during the next meeting of the Executive Committee.

After the country hop statistics and the hop market report had been discussed – again a debate on reporting statistics for alpha-acids took place. In the USA still various methods of analysis are used. As decided already on the meeting on April 26, 2019 (Point 6) the updated Analytica-EBC Method 7.4 “Lead Conductance Value of Hops, Powers and Pellets“ should be used by all the countries – to enable correct comparative analysis and a summary of estimated global statistics.

## Point 4

The following future IHGC events were again announced and briefly discussed:

- ✓ IHGC Hop tour 2020 in Argentina (final proposal) - Feb. 24 till Mar. 3, 2020;
- ✓ IHGC Economic and Executive Committees in Freising, Germany – Aug. 7, 2020;
- ✓ IHGC Economic and Executive Committees in Nuremberg, Germany – Nov. 9, 2020;
- ✓ 58<sup>th</sup> IHGC Congress in Czech Republic in 2021.

## Point 5

The IHGC secretary general – also as the Compliance officer informed in brief that the 27 IHGC members out of 34 returned a signed Commitment declaration on antitrust-compliant behavior to the secretariat prior to the meeting. The rest of them will be reminded again to respond on this Executive Committee decision.

No other issues were discussed.

IHGC General Secretary  
Dr. Martin Pavlovič