



**Minutes of the
20th General Meeting
of the**

**European Industrial Hemp Association e.V. (EIHA)
Hürth / Germany**

14th of December 2016, 11:00 to 16:00, Chemiepark Knapsack, 300 Industriestraße, 50354 Hürth, Germany.

The 20th General Meeting of the European Industrial Hemp Association (EIHA) took place on the 14th of December 2016, at Chemiepark Knapsack, 300 Industriestrasse, 50354 Hürth, Germany. The meeting started at 11:00 with EIHA's managing director Michael Carus (hereinafter "Chairman of the meeting") and EIHA's President Mark Reinders (hereinafter "President" and second chairman of the meeting) welcoming all the participants. The General Meeting convened and a quorum was statutory. Luis Sarmiento was unanimously determined the keeper of the minutes. This was followed by a round table introductory session.

After the chairman gave a brief introduction of the voting system, **the total amount of votes present was determined to be 142**, from 13 regular members (3 of which with one extra vote due to cultivation area above 999 ha, but less than 1,999) and 9 associate members.

Continuing activities:

- **Cultivation area** was presented and updated by the members.
- **Budget:** All expenses were presented and a financial overview for the next year was shown. Treasurer Bernd Frank evaluated the financial report and signed it.
- Short presentation of the **position papers** on CBD (published) and THC (will be published in January).
- Unanimous decision without any opposing votes or abstentions to make the **new UNODC interest group** open to all members, after a short presentation and discussion of the topic.
- **EIHA survey on products and applications:** those who have not answered were allocated to other members to request the data. Mark and Bernd will try to get data from the French,
- **Trade fair and exhibition** activities presented.
- **Last and next conference** information presented to the members.
- Unanimous decision without any opposing votes or abstentions that one **last reminder** will be sent to 1-year and 2-year unpaid member in January and, if no answer, they will be kicked out of the association.

Exoneration of the board of directors:

- **Sylvestre Bertucelli** (InterChanvre) will resign from his position as Deputy President. The President, Mark Reinders, thanks Sylvestre for all his work and wishes him all the best in his future.
- The President will contact **Interchanvre** for a potential replacement of their representative and to request data for the survey.

- **Voting for a 7th position will be happen in June** (next General Meeting), pending the contact with Interchanvre.
- Online voting will be run by the board for the position of **Deputy President** early 2017.
- Unanimous decision without any opposing votes or abstentions **to exonerate the board of directors.**

New activities:

- Board decided to continue cooperation with **HempTODAY**, next issue on the EIHA conference.
- Unanimous decisions to make all lawyer opinion **documents on THC and CBD publicly available** at www.eiha.org.
- Boris takes the floor to talk about EIHA's CBD strategy.
- Unanimous decisions to commit EIHA to **reprimand any false claims on CBD.**
- Unanimous decisions to **update CBD paper.** A final version will be presented by Michael in January.
- Quality control proposal will be addressed at a later stage. However, if a trader misbehaves in the market, it should be reported to the board of directors.
- Daniel Kruse presented THC issues in hemp food goods and field crop.
- Unanimous decision to **change the THC position paper.** A final version will be presented by Michael at in January. Changes include the use of ingredient rather than intermediate, daily intake labelling recommendations and proposing the right THC detection method.
- Unanimous decision to lobby to **increase THC limits in field to 0,3%.** First draft will be prepared by Michael and Daniel.

A call was made for all members to join EIHA as a regular member so that the association gains strength.

Final remarks by the President, who thanked all the present at the meeting for their participation. With no more issues to debate, the session was closed.