

Protocol of the General Assembly 2021

Date: 27.03.2021
Time: 15:00-17:00
Location: Online by Zoom Meeting

Participants: 22 total (7 board members, 14 non-board members and 1 guest)

Vote counts: Total: 21 members (7 board members, 14 non-board members)
Absolute Majority: 11 votes

Remark: three members never raised their hand, also not when abstention was asked. This was interpreted that they did not take part of the voting at all. That is why the maximum number of votes is 18.

Board Members:

Dorothee Kurz	present
Emmanuelle Sallin	present
Lukas Dössegger	present
Nora Mühlberger	present
Carola Bänziger	present
Katharina Schulthess	present
Andreas Wende	present

List of Participants: Appendix 1

Head of GA: Dorothee Kurz

Protocol: Katharina Schulthess

1. Welcome

Dorothee Kurz opened the thirteenth ordinary annual General Assembly of Ingenieure ohne Grenzen Schweiz at 15:05 by welcoming the participants. This year too, the meeting has to be held online due to the ongoing situation of the Covid-19 pandemic. This meant a slightly different set of house rules to be reviewed at the start:

- Microphones are all on mute except for the person presenting.
- Comments and questions can be posed via the chat (unless communicated differently).
- All cameras should be switched on if possible, in order to create a more personal setting.
- Votes: for votes and elections, the button “Raise Hand” is to be used by all members.

2. Quorum

Since the General Assembly was duly convened, it is quorate.

3. Vote Counter

Johrina Cron is the vote counter today.

4. Agenda

The agenda for this General Assembly was sent to all invited members in electronic format together with the invitation e-mails on 04.03.2021.

Question: Do you accept the agenda for this General Assembly?

Yes: 18

No: 0

Abstentions: 0

5. Protocol of the General Assembly 2020

The protocol of the General Assembly of 2020 is accessible through IngOG+'s website and was also forwarded to all invitees on 04.03.2021.

Question: Do the attendees accept the protocol of the GA 2020?

Yes: 18

No: 0

Abstentions: 0

6. Annual Report 2020

The annual report for 2020 was sent to the invitees on 04.03.21 via email. The currently ongoing projects are the following:

Current projects:

- Gradačac, Bosnia and Herzegovina (BIH001): Construction of a social housing community for socially disadvantaged women
- Paraguay (PRY001): Drinking water supply
- Nepal (NPL004): Hospital extension for gynecology and obstetrics
- Water for IAPS (KEN002): Improving water supply of school to enable all year operation

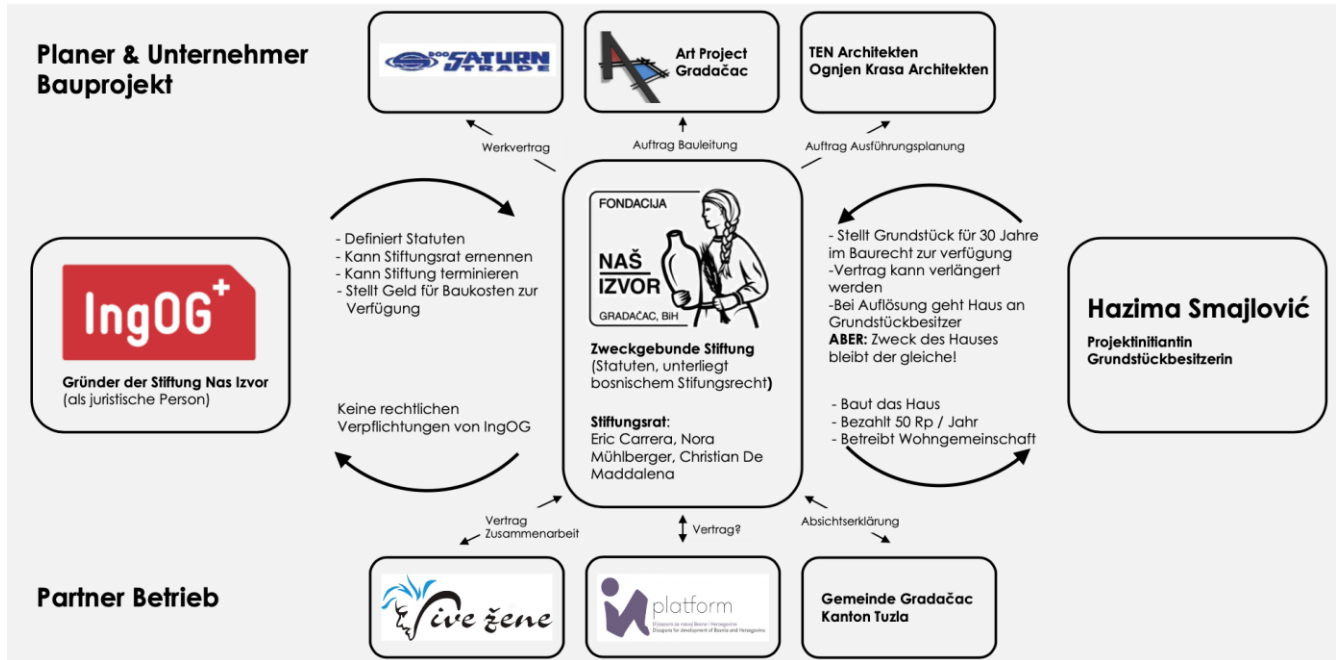
The project leaders or members of the currently running projects are presenting the project status. The evaluation projects are presented later in the General Assembly when looking into 2021 (Outlook). The project updates are not repeated here, they can be found in the annual report. With the exception of the project in Gradačac (Bosnia), which provided in-depth insights into the legal set-up of the project:

Social accomodation in Gradačac, Bosnia - Christian da Maddalena, Eric Carrera

One of the two project leaders Christian de Maddalena presents the project status (see also the annual report 2020). Despite the corona crisis, the project reached an important milestone, the construction of the house could be started in November 2020. Some impressions of the construction site are shown:



The start of constructions naturally entails bigger amounts of project expenditures (see financial report), which is taken as an opportunity to explain the legal set-up of the project once again. The project team made a graphical explanation of the setup with collaborators and partners of the project:



As presented at the last General Assembly, the Bosnian foundation Nas Izvor was founded by IngOG+ in order to guarantee the execution of the project and the operation of the social institution later on. IngOG+ as the founder of this local organization defined the statutes of Nas Izvor. The only purpose of this foundation is to plan, construct and operate the house. IngOG+ has the right to constitute the board of Nas Izvor. At the moment, the board of Nas Izvor consists of three IngOG+ members – which means, that the control of the project finances is in the hands of IngOG+. The money that IngOG+ raises for this project is donated to Nas Izvor, which is obliged by its statutes to spend the money on the construction and operation of the house. There is no legal obligation for IngOG+, the foundation Nas Izvor in Bosnia is independent.

The house is built on land owned by Hazima Smajilovic, the initiator of the project. The building right (Baurecht) of Nas Izvor was agreed upon by a contract with Hazima over the next 30 years for a minimal fee. During these 30 years, the house can only be used for the project purpose. After the 30 years, the contract can be renewed with the family Smajilovic (still, the purpose of the house remains the same).

Contracts and agreements with other partner organizations are also made or are still in discussion.

Question: Do the attendees accept the annual report 2020?

Yes: 18
 No: 0
 Abstentions: 0

7. Financial Report 2020

Having presented the financial highlights of 2020 and comparisons against the achievements of the previous year (2019), the treasurer Lukas Dössegger confirmed the closing balances of the organisation's accounts for 2020.

One correction came from project leader of the KEN002 project, Jean Randhahn: KEN002 spent CHF 6'024 instead of 2'184. This was only listed incorrectly in the presentation, in the annual report the figures are correct.

Another question was raised by one member on why the membership fees can not be divided by CHF 100. The explanation lies in possible splitting of the membership fees over the year (monthly fee) and the fees to be paid to PayPal. Furthermore, students pay CHF 30 instead of 100.

Question: Do you accept the financial report 2020?

Yes: 16

No: 0

Abstentions: 2

8. Discharge of the board for 2020

With the annual report and financial report of 2020 accepted, the next step was the discharge the board. As the board members cannot discharge themselves from their positions, they abstain from this vote.

Question: Do you want to discharge the board for the year 2020?

Yes: 11

No: 0

Abstentions: 7

9. Departing Board Members

Two members of the present board have decided not to run for board positions again in 2021. Dorothee Kurz resigns as president and board member in order to deeply focus on the last phase of her PhD. Lukas Dössegger resigns from being treasurer and board member – his time will be more limited being a dad soon, while having two jobs and the project lead of Paraguay. Dorothee and Lukas have both been very committed to the board and IngOG+ in general and have given much of their time to the association. We thank you both very much for your commitment and the great time in the board during the past year(s)!

10. Elections 2021

President

Andreas Wende runs for the position of President of the organisation, after around three years of involvement in IngOG+. Andreas holds degrees in Architecture, Business Administration, Real Estate

Management and Sustainable Development with studies all over the world. Since around one and a half year he is project leader of the hospital extension project in Ratnanagar, Nepal (NPL002).

Question: Do you accept Andreas Wende as president of the organisation for 2021?

Yes: 17

No: 0

Abstentions: 1

Remainder of the Board

Remaining board members: Emmanuelle Sallin (treasurer), Katharina Schulthess (secretary), Nora Mühlberger and Carola Bänziger.

New board members: Johrina cron and Lorina Locher.

Eric had to leave, from now on only 17 people are voting.

Question: Do you accept Emmanuelle Sallin, Katharina Schulthess, Nora Mühlberger, Carola Bänziger, Lorina Locher and Johrina Cron as members of the board of the organisation for 2021?

Yes: 11

No: 0

Abstentions: 6

Auditors

Perfect timing – during the presentation of the two auditors Lukas Haas and Yasser awaad Salem, Yasser joined the General Assembly. Both gave their commitment to run for auditors for the next year again. Yasser brings a wealth of experience in matters relating to management and controlling while Lukas continues to run his own business. Thank you very much for your time and support!

Question: Do you accept Lukas Haas & Yasser awaad Salem as auditors for 2021?

Yes: 17

No: 0

Abstentions: 0

11. Outlook 2021

In the Outlook 2021, the projects in evaluation present their goals and status. Information can be found in the annual report.

Projects in Evaluation phase:

- Pier at lake Victoria (KEN001)
- Nicaragua (NIC001): Construction of a bridge over a flooding river
- Water supply Khema (IND002): Improvement of water supply during winter months
- Heating system Lahaul (IND003): Implementation of an efficient heating system in a Himalayan school building
- Puente Tierra, Chile (CHL001): Construction of a community center for the indigenous Mapuche community Millanao Ancaten

IngOG+ as association in 2021

The freshly elected president Andreas Wende presents the outlook of IngOG+ as an association in 2021. First of all, the board aims for a revival of the “Vereinskultur” in this year – after over a year of remote working, marathons of Zoom-meetings and lots of cancellations, it is the goal to get back to a normal, social association culture as far as possible: beside regular meetings and workshops, following events are planned (of course, everything according to the rules regarding covid-measures):

- Hike
- Summer party
- Lunch-Seminar in Autumn
- Christmas Dinner
- Christmas Action

Another important point of the organization this year will be to get swiss legal advice on contracts with third parties and partners. In the future, partnerships that involve larger amounts of money will be secured contractually. An appointment with a lawyer has already been set. Concerning this point, one member (Carina) raised the question, whether we should aim to find voluntary lawyers joining IngOG+ as members, or whether we want to only get external help. The board reserved some financial resources for legal advice, but if members know dedicated lawyers that would like to contribute to IngOG+, this would be highly welcome. In general, it is aimed to get a more members with different backgrounds.

The other goals of the association in the upcoming years are the following:

- Strengthening process quality and project controlling (Project guidelines)
- Internal restructuring for process simplification
- Increase media outreach and public presence of IngOG+
- Local activities and support in Switzerland

12. Budget 2021

Our new treasurer Emmanuelle Sallin presents the Budget of 2021:

Revenue						
		2019		2020		2021
Membership fees	CHF	7'910.00	CHF	9'845.00	CHF	9'000.00
Donations unspecified	CHF	16'400.00	CHF	13'070.00	CHF	15'000.00
donations BIH001	CHF	55'746.00	CHF	29'106.00	CHF	76'000.00
donations PRY001	CHF	-	CHF	-	CHF	-
donations KEN002	CHF	-	CHF	2'184.00	CHF	6'500.00
donations NPL004	CHF	-	CHF	1'600.00	CHF	5'000.00
Total	CHF	80'056.00	CHF	55'805.00	CHF	111'500.00

Expenses						
		2019		2020		2021
Internal	CHF	837.00	CHF	-	CHF	1'000.00
BIH001	CHF	8'733.00	CHF	104'053.00	CHF	123'000.00
PRY001	CHF	2'435.00	CHF	1'200.00	CHF	2'600.00
KEN002	CHF	-	CHF	2'184.00	CHF	6'500.00
NPL004	CHF	-	CHF	1'600.00	CHF	5'000.00
Evaluations	CHF	4'673.00	CHF	4'007.00	CHF	9'000.00
Swiss projects	CHF	-	CHF	-	CHF	1'000.00
Admin	CHF	1'394.00	CHF	1'322.00	CHF	1'300.00
Rechtberatung	CHF	-	CHF	-	CHF	5'000.00
Total	CHF	18'072.00	CHF	114'366.00	CHF	154'400.00

Loss/Profit	CHF	61'984.00	CHF	-58'561.00	CHF	-42'900.00
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Total assets at the end of the year 2021 CHF 70'910.32

Another person had to leave, from now on only 16 people are voting.

Question: Do you accept the budget for 2021?

Yes: 13

No: 0

Abstentions: 3

13. Applications of members

No applications for new memberships were received during the General Assembly meeting itself.

14. Varia

At the end of the General Assembly, a picture was taken of the screen with all present IngOG+ faces. Thanks to Nadine for always reminding us about taking pictures and putting them online!

15. Closing of the General Assembly 2021

Andreas Wende, the seventh president of IngOG+, closed the formal part of the 2021 General Assembly at 17:10.

Witnessed and correct:

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dorothee Kurz".

Dorothee Kurz

President

Zürich, 27.3.2021

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "K. Schulthess".

Katharina Schulthess

Secretary

Zürich, 27.03.2021

Appendix 1: List of Attendees

Board (7)

Dorothee	Kurz	<i>President</i>
Katharina	Schulthess	<i>Secretary</i>
Lukas	Dössegger	<i>Treasurer</i>
Nora	Mühlberger	<i>Fundraising, Events, Com.</i>
Emmanuelle	Sallin	<i>Project Group Coord.</i>
Andreas	Wende	<i>Partnerships</i>
Carola	Bänziger	<i>Memberships</i>

Members (14)

Dominik	Burkhart
Carina	Doll
Martin	Hergersberg
Lorina	Locher
Jean	Randhahn
Nadine	Truyol
Eric	Carrera
Christian	de Maddalena
Johrina	Cron
Keith	Wilson
Gautam	Ilango
Josef	Blum
Pascal	Rünzi
Yasser	Salem

Guest (1)

Cleophea	Michelsen
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Total Attendees: 22