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The following items were discussed at a luncheon meeting:

1. Andras Roman medal: President Claus-Peter Echter reported that the Andras Roman medal will be presented to Sofia Avgerinou Kolonias at the Annual Meeting.
2. Memberships: Two German members of CIVVIH have requested to have their names removed from the list. Discussion ensued as to whether this is appropriate or not. Sofia Avgerinou Kolonias opined that these individuals as part of CIVVIH history and should remain.

Discussion ensued regarding the definition of an Emerging Professional. There is a need for transparent guidelines and stated criteria. Some have thought 15 years which all considered too long. Claus-Peter Echter considered 10 years as reasonable although Samir Abdulac opined that this was too long. There is no age associated with this category. The timeframe strictly relates to years in the field. David Logan looks to 5 years. The chosen field after graduation is important. It must be urban conservation, not architecture only. The participation of the Emerging Professional must be considered. Sofia Avgerinou Kolonias thinks the level and quality of study are very important. It will be the decided by the President. Sofia Avgerinou Kolonias supports an open procedure. CIVVIH should make a call for applicants. CIVVIH should review the existing Associates in case some might qualify as Emerging Professionals. It is also necessary to review the Associates for potential upgrade into the Expert category. Samir Abdulac commented that criteria is welcomed in principle, however, he objected that if criteria were too detailed and compulsory, then VP's personal appreciation would become useless. With five VPs, and a single biased judgement would be balanced by four other votes.

3. Updating CIVVIH's bylaws: The President discussed the need to review and update CIVVIH's bylaws per the Secretariat's requirements. Members of a working group shall be assembled of individuals qualified for the task. David Logan will head it up. Potential members were discussed.
4. Working Group SDGs, HUL and Climate change: The need to integrate the HUL concepts and along with the SDGs and Climate change concerns into the Valletta Principles was discussed. It was decided that Sofia Avgerinou Kolonias should lead a Working Group on this topic, along with Alvaro Gómez-Ferrer Bayo. Both David Logan and Samir Abdulac should participate. Such a Working Group will be appointed at the Annual Meeting.
5. Ibero-American Subcommittee: The importance of considering the proposal made by Alvaro Gómez-Ferrer Bayo was discussed. He was asked to please do something about this matter which has lingered for some time. This matter will be brought to the floor of the Annual Meeting.

The meeting was concluded.

Written by Kathleen H. Crowther, Secretary General, with contributions from Claus-Peter Echter and Samir Abdulac.

Approved by Claus-Peter Echter, President

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