

## **Agenda for board meeting in Zimbabwe**

### **Session 1**

Wednesday Nov. 9

10.00 – 18.00

1. Opening of Congress by President Joanna Manganara
2. Roll Call by Lene Pind
3. Welcome by Women's Comfort Corner Rita Mbatha/ Glen Middlemost
4. Appointment of moderators
5. Adoption of agenda
6. President's Speech
7. President's report
  - discussion of report
8. Matters arising from the Paris minutes
9. Elaborating and finalising the next action programme to be adopted at Congress in Cyprus 2017/  
Presentation by Joanna – attachments
10. Implementing the action programme – obstacles /Gudrun, attachment
11. Reports – presentation by Lene Pind – booklet attachment
  - discussion of reports with a focus on future initiatives
  - input from commission conveners and international reps
12. Communications and fundraising / Lene Pind
  - experiences from an experiment

### **Session 2**

Thursday Nov 10

9.00 – 13.00

13. The future of IAW
  - Speech by President Joanna Manganara
  - International Women's News/ new logo, new letterhead- presentation by Joanna
  - A thorough discussion on the situation of our organisation against the background of this "modernization" we are currently experiencing. What do we expect from our organisation and what is IAW able to provide. Where are our strengths and weaknesses and how can we really arrive in this 21st century without simply lifting an old face/ Rosy
  - The use of social networks / Renée Gérard and Lene Pind
14. Report from Secretary General
15. Report from membership officer / Pat Richardson, Lene Pind
16. Report from head of communications/ Lene Pind

### **Session 3**

Thursday Nov 10

14.00 – 18.00

17. Treasurer's report
  - discussion of report

18. Database
  - status and future
19. The workings of the board
  - should we introduce a kind of mentorship for new members of the board?
20. Jobs of the Board, jobs in the IAW. Recruiting new members, organizations, elaborating further criteria for acceptance – presentation by Joanna
21. Admissions Committee / Jessika Kehl-Lauff
22. Who will be acting Treasurer and acting Secretary General till Congress 2017
23. Working groups
  - Working Group 1: Action programme
  - Working group 2: What should be the strategy of IAW for the future? On what issues should IAW focus?
24. IAW support to women from countries where their rights are in jeopardy. Examples / Renée
25. Preparations for CSW 2017
  - Priority theme: Women's economic empowerment in the changing world of work.
  - Review theme: Challenges and achievements in the implementation of the Millennium Development Goals for women and girls ([agreed conclusions of the fifty-eighth session](#)).
  - side events
  - statements
  - participation
26. **'The state of the Art of women's NGOs regional councils' -EWL and its equivalents in the AU, Asia Pacific, ....**
  - The objective is to exchange ideas on how to strengthen and streamline the linkage between this Regional Womens's Umbrella Organisations / Marion

## NO sessions

### Friday and Saturday: Regional conference

#### Session 4

**Sunday November 13**

**9.00 – 13.00**

27. Revision of Constitution and by-laws/ Lyda
  - the constitution must be finalized to be presented to Geneva
28. Do our regions function well? If not what is the problem? Do our commissions function well? If not what is the problem? Do our international representatives do well their job? If not what is the problem? / Joanna
29. Do the IAW groups in New York and Geneva contribute to our work ? If not what is the reason ? / Joanna
30. Compilation of my experience as Commission Convener / Gudrun Haupter
  - Discussion paper for the IAW Congress (attachment)
31. FAO / CFS: are we able to follow this important issue of food security or not? Who should be involved?
32. Continued discussion on surrogacy / René

## Session 5

**Sunday Nov 13**

**14.00 – 18.00**

33. a) The IAW position on the Istanbul Convention or/and an international Human Rights Convention  
b) the various national status of ratification/ Marion
34. The 2017 regional review process of MIPAA- Madrid International Plan of Action on Aging (of Madrid 2002) and its international review process in 2018 (as it is scheduled and UNSG Ban Ki\_mon has called for grass root participation to be supported by Governments)
  - a. The facts and how IAW will participate (see task force on Aging reports)
  - b) IAWs main findings and recommendations (again: shall there be a new Human Rights Convention?) / Marion
35. UNSC: / Marion
  - a. The election procedure and state of the art for a feminist / female UNSG (UN reform, the candidates, procedure, what we still can do, what is IAWs statement after the election 1. if it is a woman 2. if it is not a woman )
  - b. UNSC Res 1325: no changes for better for the equal participation of women in all peace negotiation levels and activities- and why- and what is our position (-> the need to change the whole setting of peace negotiations! open it up for real peaceful stakeholders, women, the civil society)
  - c. the aspect of the success and the aspect of abuse of UNSC Res 1325 (Pro and cons: the con: more and more 1325 is used to integrate women in peace missions (yes, we wanted it) and the NATO and all levels of militarization and war (No, we did not want this: or does it make NATO and war better to have women equally included in it all...

## Session 7

**Monday Nov 14**

**9.00 – 13.00**

36. The current Women's and general Human Rights Situation in light of wars, conflicts and the humanitarian crisis / Marion
  - how to strengthen human rights - at home and for all including refugee women
  - how to respond to the anti-human rights approaches and growing extreme conservative and right-wing political approaches which not all but many have put the denial of women's human rights in their focus to re-traditionalize an (often brutalized warrior like) malehood
37. Future meetings
  - 2017 Congress in Cyprus
  - 2018 Board Meeting – Invitation from Deutscher Frauenring / attachment
  - 2019 International Meeting – no invitation
  - 2020 Congress – no invitation
38. Any other business
39. Evaluation of meeting
40. Closing of Meeting by President

**September 20 2016**

**Lene Pind**

**- after having received several useful suggestions for amendments from a number of members. Thanks**

If time allows we can have workshops on

- 1) Digital service for women
- 2) Mobile banking

These workshops have been proposed by Regina Smit

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