



les petits frères des Pauvres
Fédération internationale

Newsletter of the General Assembly of March 20 and 21, 2015 held in Barcelona

March 23rd, 2015

The international Federation of the little brothers of the Poor brings its decision-making bodies twice a year, spring and fall. With the president, the delegates from the eight member countries form the Board and the General Assembly and ensure decision-making on a set of issues of mutual interest to the mission of the little brothers. They plan all the actions found to be relevant and useful to all.

Amics de la Gent Gran warmly welcomed the General Assembly in Barcelona on March 20 and 21. Here are a few main lines, emerging from these meetings.

First of all, emerges a general observation that the International Federation is consolidating, structures itself now with more methodology, thanks to noticeable engagements of the president, Pierre Asselin, the Treasurer, Francesc Patricio and to the involvement of France. It is getting organized to achieve greater autonomy and ability to better serve its members.

To be noted in particular;

- That the members of the Board/Assembly were pleased to welcome several new delegates representing their countries, including Wolf Hinsching (Germany). Caroline Sauriol (Canada), Hervé Goarant (Switzerland), and Simone Mitchell - Peterson (USA).
- The Congress, which will be held in Cincinnati, USA, (October 15-18, 2015) is progressing well. The organizing team promises you current and interesting subjects. Budgets are defined and delegations **are** getting organized.
- The commission on the future and the governance of the Federation already met a few times. Its work is progressing well on substantial items such as the International Charter that must promote common values, the statutes and bylaws of the federation and with a look at budgets. The commission will continue its work during the year and will report.
- A workshop allowed delegates forming the Board to review its role, both to reflect the needs of the countries towards the Board as to return to them in order to circulate the decisions and information.
- The various elements of the strategic plan of the Federation are progressing well. Some files have already been delivered, others are on the way to completion and adjustments to the plan have been made to update it and reflect needs, including communication ones.
- France is actively monitoring a partnership, which should enable the Federation to soon welcome a new member, Romania. Their representatives will be among us in Cincinnati.

- Finally, a Committee is currently working on the development of a crisis management policy for emergency assistance needs that could be expressed by members to the Federation. This issue is progressing and the federation will soon be able to count on a well defined framework for action to handle these situations.

Pierre Asselin
President

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It was established in 1979, so as to promote the action of the little brothers of the Poor globally by helping member organizations to develop their action, by encouraging and allowing communications between member countries and by helping in the development of establishments in other countries of the world.

Countries

President : Pierre Asselin

Allemagne

Delegate : Wolf Hinsching



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Canada

Delegate : Caroline Sauriol



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Espagne

Delegate: Francesc Patricio



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France

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