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## ICV 29 16 – 21 July 2022, Ljubljana (Slovenia)

### FORTHCOMING DATES TO NOTE

All deadline dates are calculated as ending on 23h59 UTC +2 (Central European Summer Time / Central African Time).

\* Dates determined by the Art. 7.b and 18 of the FIAV Constitution.

<b>June 13, 2022</b>	Deadline for Members to submit nominations for Laureate, Fellow and Vexillon recipients to the Secretary-General for consideration by the FIAV Board (send to <a href="mailto:sec.gen@FIAV.org">sec.gen@FIAV.org</a> ).
<b>June 13, 2022*</b>	Deadline for the FIAV Board to inform the applicant and members of its recommendation regarding the submitted membership applications.
<b>June 13, 2022</b>	Deadline to submit to the FIAV Board the names of any deceased vexillologists which are to be honored at ICV 29 (send to <a href="mailto:sec.gen@FIAV.org">sec.gen@FIAV.org</a> ).
<b>June 30, 2022</b>	Members to provide the written credentials of delegates to the Twenty-Seventh Session of the FIAV General Assembly to be held during ICV 29 (send to <a href="mailto:sec.gen@FIAV.org">sec.gen@FIAV.org</a> )
<b>July 11-15, 2022</b>	ICV 29 Ljubljana, Slovenia
<b>July 12, 2022</b>	Twenty-Seventh Session of the FIAV General Assembly to be convened.
<b>July 18, 2022</b>	Post Congress event hosted by the Croatian Heraldic and Vexillological Association (HGZD) at the University of Rijeka. Further details can be found at <a href="https://www.hgzd.hr/en/pve-rijeka-2022/">https://www.hgzd.hr/en/pve-rijeka-2022/</a> .
<b>2024</b>	ICV 30 Beijing, PR China
<b>2026</b>	ICV 31 Paris, France (candidate)

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## AGENDA

### FOR THE TWENTY-SEVENTH SESSION OF THE FIAV GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO BE CONVENED ON 12 JULY 2022 HOTEL SLON, LJUBLJANA, SLOVENIA

1. Call to order by the President; official opening of the Twenty-Seventh Session
2. Verification by the President of written credentials of delegates from FIAV members
3. Roll call of delegates; recognition of quorum by the Secretary-General; declaration by the President that the Twenty-Seventh Session of the General Assembly is constituted
4. Appointment by the President of tellers to count the votes
5. Approval of the Minutes of the Twenty-Sixth Session of the General Assembly held on 16 July 2019 in San Antonio, Texas, United States (published in *Info-FIAV* No. 50, December 2019, pages 1-9)
6. Reports by the Board
  - (a) President – Dr Željko Heimer
  - (b) Secretary-General – Dr Bruce Berry
  - (c) Secretary-General for Congresses – Mr Graham Bartram
7. Consideration of Candidates for FIAV membership:
  - (a) Lithuanian Institute of Genealogy and Heraldry (LIGH)
  - (b) Transylvanian Heraldic and Vexillological Association (THVA)
  - (c) Vexillological Association of Hong Kong (VAHK)
  - (d) Vexillological Society of Singapore (VSS)
8. Election of 2022-2024 FIAV Board
  - (a) President
  - (b) Secretary-General
  - (c) Secretary-General for Congresses
9. Report on ICV 20 (Beijing, 2024) organized by VRCC and FRC
10. Report on the status of ICV *Proceedings*:
  - (a) ICV 26 (Sydney 2015) organized by FSA
  - (b) ICV 27 (London 2017) organized by FI
  - (c) ICV 28 (San Antonio, 2019) organized by VAST and FRC
11. Presentation of certificates to current Members that have been ICV Organisers if publication of the *Proceedings* has occurred
12. Selection of ICV 31 (2026) Organizer  
Société française de vexillologie (SFV)
13. Canvas of Members that did not send a delegate for purposes of Constitution article 8
14. Final adjournment of the Twenty-Seventh Session by the President.

Respectfully submitted



Bruce B Berry  
FIAV Secretary-General  
Johannesburg, 30 April 2022

### **MEMBER CREDENTIALS FOR THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

Every FIAV Member is strongly encouraged to appoint a delegate and alternate to represent it at the Twenty Seventh Session of the FIAV General Assembly on 12 July 2022. If no person from a FIAV Member is able to come to the General Assembly Session, that FIAV Member is strongly encouraged to appoint as its delegate either the delegate of another FIAV Member or one of the three FIAV Officers. The first General Assembly session to which current article 8 of the FIAV Constitution applies is the Twenty-Second Session in 2011.

Credentials can be sent to the Secretary-General at [sec-gen@fiav.org](mailto:sec-gen@fiav.org) or must be brought to the General Assembly Session. If at all possible, credentials should be on the Member's official stationery.

The suggested form of written credentials is as follows:

To the President of the Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques:

[Name of FIAV Member association or institution] appoints [name of person (and alternate, if desired)], as its delegate to the Twenty-Seventh Session of the FIAV General Assembly, to be convened 12 July, 2022, in Ljubljana, Slovenia. [Delegate's name] has full powers to act on behalf of [name of FIAV Member association or institution] during the Twenty-Seventh Session of the General Assembly [or] The powers of [delegate's name] to act on behalf of [name of FIAV Member association or institution] during the Twenty-Second Session of the General Assembly are limited as follows: [describe].

[signature of authorized representative of FIAV Member association or institution]  
[printed name]  
[title]  
[date]  
[seal (optional)].

The General Assembly agenda has been published in this issue of Info-FIAV. The FIAV Board also welcomes suggestions for recipients of the Vexillon.

## CANDIDATES FOR MEMBERSHIP OF FIAV

The following institutions have applied for membership of FIAV:

- 1) Lithuanian Institute of Genealogy and Heraldry (LIGH)
- 2) Transylvanian Heraldic and Vexillological Association (THVA)
- 3) Vexillological Association of Hong Kong (VAHK)
- 4) Vexillological Society of Singapore (VSS)

An “autochthonous and authorized representative of the applicant” must be present at the session of the General Assembly at which there is to be a vote on the application.

Information to support these applications is as follows:

### 1) LITHUANIAN INSTITUTE OF GENEALOGY AND HERALDRY (LIGH)

The Lithuanian Institute of Genealogy, Heraldry, and Vexillology (the ‘Institute’) is a public legal entity that is independent from the governance of governmental and municipal bodies and institutions and rallies under its own auspices persons and entities that support the Institute’s goals and objectives.

In pursuing its objects, the Institute coordinates, approves, and registers the benchmarks and designs of coats of arms, armorial flags, flags, armorial insignia, armorial seals of persons and legal entities, which are outside of the scope of regulation of the laws and legislation of the Republic of Lithuania, and issues documents to that effect.

The Institute conducts genealogical studies of persons, families, and relatives, draws, certifies, and registers genealogical diagrams of persons, issues documents of proof of origin.

The Institute stands in close cooperation with scientific establishments, related and international bodies, conducts heraldic, vexillologic, sigillographic, and genealogic research. Moreover, it organises seminars, conferences, lectures, and engages in publishing business.

On 20 October 2021, the Institute became a full member of the International Confederation of Genealogy and Heraldry (*Confédération Internationale de Généalogie et d’Héraldique*, CIGH). The Institutes accession had the approval from the Confederation’s General Assembly in Madrid, Spain. Founded in 1971, the International Confederation of Genealogy and Heraldry is an international organisation that unities the world’s institutions responsible for conducting genealogic and heraldic research. Right now, this organisation has more than 80 institutions from 43 countries worldwide as its members.

The website of the International Confederation of Genealogy and Heraldry: <https://www.cigh.info/>

By decision adopted by the International Academy of Genealogy (*Académie Internationale de Généalogie*, AIG) on 13 December 2021, the 13<sup>th</sup> international genealogic colloquium will be taking place in Vilnius, Lithuania, on 7–11 June 2023. International genealogical colloquia take place in different countries of the world on a bi-annual basis. The 2021 colloquium took place in Messina, Italy, and the next one will take place in Vilnius, Lithuania, in 2023, when the capital of Lithuania will be celebrating its 700<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

Founded in Torino, Italy, in 1998, the International Academy of Genealogy unites competent specialists in genealogy from the world over. As of 2021, the head of this organisation has been Maria Loredana Pinotti.

The 13<sup>th</sup> international colloquium of genealogy will be hosted by the Institute and the International Academy of Genealogy.

The members of the Institute are involved in the activities of the International Confederation of Genealogy and Heraldry, the International Academy of Genealogy, and the International Academy of Heraldry.

#### THE THREE REGISTERS OF THE INSTITUTE:

Flags

Coats of Arms

Origins (Genealogy).

The Register of Flags consists of personal flags, personal armorial flags, nobility flags, and corporate flags.

The Register of Coats of Arms consists of personal coats of arms, nobility coats of arms, religious coats of arms, corporate coats of arms.

The Institute's key events:

The Colloquium on Genealogy, Heraldry, and Vexillology

The international science conference titled 'The Readings of Albertas Vijūkas-Kojalavičius'

The Institute's publication, *Genealogy, Heraldry, and Vexillology* is available in printed (ISSN 2669-2945) and electronic (ISSN 2669-2953) form. It features scientific articles and reviews on the subject of vexillology, heraldry, and genealogy.

#### STRUCTURE

The General Assembly of Members

The Institute's General Assembly of Members is the supreme managing body. Every member of the Institute has a right to attend and vote at the Assembly.

The Institute has 51 members. The corporate members of the Institute are the Vexillology Academy, the Heraldry Academy, and the Genealogy Academy.

#### The Board

It is a joint managing body of the Institute that manages the Institute's activities between assemblies. The constitution of the Board and the principles of representation are determined and Board members elected for a five-year tenure by the General Assembly of Members, to which the Board reports and is accountable directly. The duration of the term of office of Board members does not have a time limit.

#### The Chairman of the Board

The Board is represented by the Chairman of the Board elected by the Board members. The Chairman organises and supervises the business of the Board.

#### The President

The President is a sole managing body of the Institute elected by the General Assembly of Members. The President acts in the name of the Institute.

## The Auditor

The financial operations of the Institute are routinely subject to inspection by the Auditor elected by the General Assembly of Members for a tenure of one year. The Auditor can be a legal entity licenced to provide audit services. No member of the Board or executive staff member may be appointed as the Auditor.

## INSIGNIA



### The Coat of Arms of the Institute

Two scrolls with golden seals on strings crisscrossing against a blue background. In the very heart of the shield, they have a smaller, red shield superimposed, that one bearing the images of a spearhead and a cross.

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### The Armorial Representative Flag of the Institute

A blue fabric with golden piping on three sides. It bears the insignia of the Institute's coat of arms in the middle on both sides. The ratio between the flag's length and width is 5:6. The staff is made from natural wood with a golden spearhead at the top. Strings with tufts in the colour of gold are attached to the spearhead at the top of the staff.

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### The Armorial Field Flag of the Institute

The insignia from the Institute's coat of arms are centred on the fabric of the field flag. The flag has the colour pattern of the coat of arms. The ratio between the width and length of the flag is 3:5.

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*The authors of the coat of arms and the flags: Žydrūnas Strumila and Paulius Vaniuchinas*

## AWARDS



*The commemorative medal of Albertas Vijūkas-Kojalavičius by Žydrūnas Strumila.*

The commemorative medal and prize of Albertas Vijūkas-Kojalavičius

The Institute has established an award and prize for the outstanding achievement in advancing, fostering, researching the history of Lithuania and the supporting disciplines of genealogy, heraldry, vexillology, and others, as well as protecting and promoting the heritage, and conducting innovative, creative, educational, and scientific activities.



*The personalised emblem 'For Outstanding Contribution to Promoting Genealogy, Heraldry, and Vexillology' by Žydrūnas Strumila and Paulius Vaniuchinas.*

The Personalised Emblem of the Institute

The Institute's personalised emblem is awarded to persons for Outstanding Contribution to Promoting Genealogy, Heraldry, and Vexillology.

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## 2) TRANSYLVANIAN HERALDIC AND VEXILLOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION (THVA)

### APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE FÉDÉRATION INTERNATIONALE DES ASSOCIATIONS VEXILLOLOGIQUES



**Transylvanian Heraldic and Vexillological Association (THVA)**  
**Erdélyi Címer- és Zászlótudományi Egyesület**  
**Asociația de Heraldică și Vexilologie din Transilvania**  
**Siebenbürgische Gesellschaft für Heraldik, Fahnen- und Flaggenkunde**  
**Association héraldique et vexillologique de Transylvanie**

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Established: 2014/2015  
Territory: Transylvania, Romania

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The aim of the Transylvanian Heraldic and Vexillological Association is to undertake research into the historical symbols of Transylvania – coats of arms, seals and flags – and to publicise the outcome of this research in Hungarian, Romanian and international conferences and journals.

The Association also organises thematic conferences and publishes its own publications.

The Association also provides advice and assistance in designing the coats of arms and flags of administrative units.

The Association also encourages the continued use of historical symbols.

### 3) VEXILLOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION OF HONG KONG (VAHK)

#### 香港旗幟學人會章 第一章 總則

(1) 定名：中文定名為「香港旗幟學人」（以下簡稱作「本會」）

英文定名：What the Flag

(2) 通訊地址：香港新界大埔新峰花園26座7樓E室

(3) 宗旨：提升旗幟學在香港市民間、在華人間的互動。代表香港與外地旗幟學家交流，增進本港旗幟學知識水平。向公眾提供旗幟學的知識和資訊，發揚旗幟學人的經驗。

#### 第二章 創會顧問／顧問

(1) 凡經執行委員會通過之人士，如制服團體成員、設計師、畫家、工業家、學者或對本會有貢獻的人士均可成為本會之創會顧問或顧問。

(2) 義務：提供意見，協助推廣本會宗旨及支持本會各項活動。

(3) 權利：i) 列席本會各會議

ii) 享有本會提供之一切福利

#### 第三章 會員

(1) 會員類別：

1. 正式會員：對鑽研旗幟學感到興趣而向本會提出入會申請，經執行委員會批准入會者。

(2) 會員權利：

1. 動議、選舉、被選、表決及罷免權；

2. 享受本會提供之一切福利；

3. 列席執行委員會及各工作小組會議。

(3) 會員義務：

1. 出席委員會（執行委員會成員適用）；

2. 管理本會各網上平台；

3. 遵守會章及服從會員大會的議決案；

4. 推廣本會宗旨及支持本會各項活動。

(4) 會籍：

1. 凡本會任何會員如有違反會章，損害本會名譽或濫用本會名義作任何活動，經執行委員會全體會員過半數通過後，可革除其會籍；
2. 會籍不能轉讓給予他人使用；
3. 本會將於十四天內以書面、電郵、即時通訊訊息或電話通知申請人之入會申請結果。

#### 第四章 組織及職權

##### (1) 組織架構

1. 本會以會員大會為最高權力架構，會員大會休會期間以執行委員會為執行架構。
2. 每屆執行委員會委員人數最少為3名，在週年會員大會由會員投票選出。而互選的委員得互選主席、副主席、司庫及其他職位（如有），執行委員可視會務發展狀況而增減委員會內之職位。
3. 本會執行委員會各職位均屬義務，每屆任期為兩年，任滿可競選連任，但主席及司庫一職不能連任超過六年。各委員不得兼任本會受薪僱員或接受任何報酬。
4. 主席出缺時由副主席遞補，其他遺缺由委員會視會務狀況作適當安排。
5. 倘若參選執行委員會委員人數少於3人，則各參選人自動當選。互選後如有剩餘之職位懸空，則有關職位懸空。
6. 倘若參選執行委員會委員人數等於3人，則各參選人自動當選。
7. 倘若會員人數等於或少於3人，則各會員自動成為執行委員會委員。

##### (2) 會員大會之職權

1. 通過及修改會章；
2. 選舉執行委員會委員；
3. 每年檢討及通過執行委員會之會務及財政報告。
4. 通過推廣本會宗旨所需的議決案。

##### (3) 執行委員會之職務

1. 執行會員大會的議決案；
2. 處理日常會務；
3. 制定財政預算；
4. 計劃會務發展；
5. 審查會員申請資格；
6. 在會員大會報告每年會務與財政狀況；
7. 召開特別會員大會；
8. 銀行簽名；

必須由下列人士任何兩人簽名方為有效，為主席、副主席及司庫。

9. 日常會務必須由正副主席進行協商，得到共識後再實行之。

##### (4) 執行委員會各委員之職權分配

1. 主席：撰寫、校對和審核本會各網絡平台之文章或內容。代表本會處理、策劃、主持各項會議，批核財政、會員資格及監管各委員之職務及進展，及對外聯絡工作。保管會印及會員名冊，協助記錄議案及提交週年會務報告。

2. 副主席：撰寫、校對和協助審核本會各網絡平台之文章或內容。研定本會活動，福利和整體發展，負責一切對內及對外之聯絡及活動事宜。並包括本會顧問之聯絡，代表本會出席外間之活動事宜，並協助主席辦理會務。協助籌備及推行一切服務事宜，及協助處理會務及聯絡會員。

3. 司庫：保管本會所有現金，記錄來往賬項，制定財政預算及提交週年財政報告。

## 第五章 會議

### (1) 週年大會

1. 每年由主席召開週年會員大會，每次週年會員大會相距不得超過十八個月。

2. 開會日期需於會議舉行前十四天，以書面、電郵、即時通訊訊息或電話方式通知會員

3. 週年會員大會之內容及議程，包括：

a) 處理及通過應屆執行委員會提出的議決案；

b) 通過財政報告；

c) 通過工作報告；

d) 選舉新一屆執行委員會委員；

4. 出席人數不能少於會員人數之十分一。

5. 如第一次舉行法定人數不足則宣佈流會，並在該日起三十天內再次舉行，但仍需七天前以書面、電郵、即時通訊訊息或電話郵寄通知各會員，第二次舉行則不論出席人數多寡皆為法定人數。

### (2) 特別會員大會

如有必要時，經執行委員會議決定或十分之一會員聯署書面請求，主席雖於接到請求該日起三十天內舉行特別會員大會，而有關開會日期須於十四天前以書面、電郵、即時通訊訊息或電話通知會員，特別會員大會法定人數與週年會員大會相同。

### (3) 執行委員會

1. 執行委員會每年最少召開會議四次，如主席認為有需要的話，可隨時召開。

2. 主席召開執行委員會會議，應在七天前通知各會員。

3. 各項會議的動議均須出席者超過半數人贊成方為議決案，表決時如遇雙方票數相同，則由主持會議的主席加投決定一票。

4. 執行委員會的決定人數為全體執行委員的半數。

## 第六章 選舉

(1) 執行委員會選舉須於週年會員大會當天舉行，選舉工作應由執行委員會委任之獨立選舉委員會統籌及監察。

(2) 候選人名單及簡介須於週年會員大會七日前以書面、電郵或即時通訊訊息方式給會員。

(3) 當投票完畢後，便會立即當場收集及在一名創會顧問或顧問監察下點票，獲票最多者當選。如到場沒有創會顧問或顧問監票，則由自願參與監票的會員代替。

(4) 當選之執行委員須於會員大會結束後十四天內舉行新任執行委員會會議，互選職位，並以書面、電郵、即時通訊訊息或電話將互選結果通知會員。

(5) 舊任會員須於會員大會完成日起十四天內移交一切職務。

(6) 執行委員會內正式會員人數必須為百分之七十或以上。而主席、副主席及司庫之職位則須由正式會員履行。

(7) 本會參與設有團體票的選舉時，須遵守下列各點：

1. 如本會需要以團體名義在任何選舉中投票，必須事先於本會內部舉行初選。初選之計票方法必須與正式選舉相同，勝出者方獲視為本會屬意之候選人或選項。
2. 獲授權代表本會投票的投票人必須投票予前述候選人或選項，否則需要立即終止授權。
3. 授權投票的一切安排必須符合本港之選舉相關法律。

#### 第七章 會費

- (1) 正式會員：不設有正式會員會費。
- (2) 自動退會或被革除會籍者，其已繳付之一切捐款概不發還。
- (3) 本會的收入及財產，不論如何取得，只准純粹用以促進本會會章所列明的宗旨。本會的成員不得分攤本會任何部分的收入及財產。
- (4) 本會之財政年度由每年一月一日至十二月三十一日。

#### 第八章 附錄

- (1) 本會如需解散，須於會員大會通過，並取得會員大會出席人數三分二以上會員贊成方得解散。如有剩餘資產，一概捐予根據《稅務條例》第88條獲豁免繳稅的慈善團體作慈善用途。
- (2) 本會會章如有任何修改，須於會員大會通過方得執行，並呈交社團註冊處存案。
- (3) 會員大會包括週年大會及特別會員大會。
- (4) 若年中財政出現超資情況，執行會員會須將情況提交週年會員大會決定處理方法。
- (5) 本會須備存足夠的收支紀錄（包括捐款收據）、妥善的會計帳目及每年編制財務報告。
- (6) 本會任何執行委員如以任何方式直接或間接在一項與本會訂立的合約或建議與本會訂立的合約中有利害關係，而該等利害關係是具關鍵性的，則該委員須在切實可行範圍內，於最早召開的執行委員會議上聲明其利害關係的性質，並不可有關事宜投票。

最後修訂日期：2020年6月7日

### VEXILLOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION OF HONG KONG

Translation by Google Translate 27 Feb 2021 (as submitted by the Applicant).

#### Chapter 1 : General Provisions

- (1) Nomination: Chinese name is "Hong Kong Flag Scholar" (hereinafter referred to as "the Association") English name: What the Flag?
- (2) Mailing address: Room E, 7th Floor, Block 26, Sun Peak Garden, Tai Po, New Territories, Hong Kong
- (3) Purpose: To promote the interaction of vexillology among the citizens of Hong Kong and the Chinese. On behalf of Hong Kong, exchanges with foreign vexillologists to improve the knowledge of Hong Kong vexillology. Provide the public with knowledge and information on banner studies, and carry forward the experience of banner scholars.

#### Chapter 2 :Founding Consultant

- (1) Anyone approved by the executive committee, such as uniform group members, designers, painters, industrialists, scholars, or people who have contributed to the association, can become the founding consultant or consultant of the association.
- (2) Obligation: Provide advice, help promote the purpose of the association and support various activities of the association.
- (3) Rights:

- i) Attend all meetings of the Association as non-voting delegates
- ii) Enjoy all the benefits provided by the Association.

### **Chapter 3 : Membership**

- (1) Member category:
  - i) Regular members: Those who are interested in studying vexillology and apply to the association for membership, and the membership is approved by the executive committee.
- (2) Member rights:
  - i) The right to move, elect, be elected, vote and recall;
  - ii) Enjoy all the benefits provided by the Association;
  - iii) Attend meetings of the Executive Committee and working groups as non-voting delegates.
- (3) Membership obligations:
  - i) Attend the committee (applicable to members of the executive committee);
  - ii) Manage the various online platforms of the Association;
  - iii) Obey the constitution and obey the resolutions of the general meeting;
  - iv) Promote the purpose of the association and support the activities of the association.
- (4) Membership:
  - i) If any member of the Association violates the constitution of the Association, damages the reputation of the Association or abuses the name of the Association for any activity, the membership can be revoked after approval by more than half of all members of the Executive Committee;
  - ii) Membership cannot be transferred to others for use;
  - iii) The association will notify the applicant of the result of the application for membership in writing, email, instant messaging or telephone within 14 days.

### **Chapter IV : Organization and Powers**

- (1) Organizational structure
  - i) This association takes the general assembly as the highest authority structure, and the executive committee is the executive structure during the adjournment of the general assembly.
  - ii) The number of members of each executive committee shall be at least 3, and the members shall vote at the annual general meeting. Members who are elected from each other may elect the chairman, vice-chairman, treasurer and other positions (if any). The executive members may increase or decrease the positions in the committee according to the development of the meeting.
  - iii) All positions in the Executive Committee of the Association are obligatory. Each term of office is two years, and re-election can be reelected upon expiration, but the positions of chairman and treasurer cannot be re-elected for more than six years. Each committee member shall not concurrently serve as a salaried employee of the Association or receive any remuneration.
  - iv) When the chairman is vacant, the vice chairman shall fill in the vacancy. Other vacancies shall be arranged by the committee according to the meeting affairs.
  - v) If the number of candidates for the Executive Committee is less than 3, each candidate will be automatically elected. If there are any remaining positions vacant after mutual elections, the relevant positions shall be vacant.
  - vi) If the number of members of the executive committee is equal to 3, then each candidate is automatically elected.
  - vii) If the number of members is equal to or less than 3, each member will automatically become a member of the Executive Committee.

- (2) The powers of the general meeting
  - i) Approve and modify the chapter;
  - ii) Election of members of the Executive Committee;
  - iii) Review and approve the meeting and financial reports of the executive committee every year.
  - iv) To pass the resolutions necessary to promote the purpose of the association.
- (3) Duties of the Executive Committee
  - i) Execute the resolutions of the general meeting;
  - ii) Handle daily conference affairs;
  - iii) Formulate financial budget;
  - iv) Plan the development of conference affairs;
  - v) Review membership application qualifications;
  - vi) Report the annual business and financial status at the general meeting;
  - vii) Convene a special membership meeting;
  - viii) Bank signature: it must be signed by any two of the following persons, which are the chairman, vice chairman and treasurer.
  - ix) Routine meetings must be negotiated by the chairman and vice-chairmen, and they can be implemented after reaching a consensus.
- (4) Distribution of powers among members of the Executive Committee
  - i) Chairperson: Write, proofread and review articles or content on the various network platforms of the Association. Handle, plan and preside over various meetings on behalf of the Association, approve finances, membership qualifications, and supervise the duties and progress of each committee member, as well as external liaison work. Keep the seal of the meeting and the member list, assist in recording the proposals and submit the annual meeting report.
  - ii) Vice Chairman: Write, proofread, and assist in reviewing articles or content on various network platforms of the Association. Research and formulate the activities, welfare and overall development of the association, and be responsible for all internal and external liaison and activities. It also includes the liaison of the consultants of the association, attending external events on behalf of the association, and assisting the chairman in handling conference affairs. Assist in the preparation and implementation of all service matters, and assist in handling conference affairs and contact members.
  - iii) Treasurer: keep all the cash of the association, record current accounts, formulate budget and submit annual financial report.

## **Chapter V : Meetings**

### **(1) Annual General Meeting**

- i) The annual general meeting is held by the chairman every year, and the interval between each annual general meeting shall not exceed 18 months.
- ii) The meeting date must be notified to members in writing, email, instant messaging or telephone 14 days before the meeting
- iii) The content and agenda of the annual general meeting, including:
  - a) Handle and pass the resolutions proposed by the current executive committee;
  - b) Approval of the financial report;
  - c) Adopt the work report;
  - d) Election of members of the new executive committee;
- iv) The number of attendees cannot be less than one-tenth of the number of members.
- v) If the quorum is insufficient for the first time, the meeting will be announced and held again within 30 days from that day, but it is still necessary to notify the members in writing, email, instant messaging or telephone mail seven days in advance. The second time it is a quorum regardless of the number of attendees.

- (2) If necessary, the special general meeting shall be decided by the executive committee or signed by one-tenth of the members in writing. Although the chairman holds the special general meeting within 30 days from the date of receipt of the request, the relevant meeting date shall be notified to members in writing, email, instant messaging or telephone 14 days in advance. The quorum of the special general meeting is the same as that of the annual general meeting.
- (3) Executive Committee
  - i) The executive committee meets at least four times a year, if the chairman thinks it is necessary, it can be held at any time.
  - ii) When the chairman convenes an executive committee meeting, he shall notify all members seven days in advance.
  - iii) The motions of each meeting must be approved by more than half of the attendees. If both parties have the same number of votes when voting, the chairman presiding over the meeting shall vote for a decision.
  - iv) The decision of the executive committee is half of all executive committee members.

#### **Chapter VI : Elections**

- (1) The executive committee election shall be held on the day of the annual general meeting. The election work shall be coordinated and monitored by the independent election committee appointed by the executive committee.
- (2) The candidate list and profile must be sent to members in writing, email or instant messaging 7 days before the annual general meeting.
- (3) When the voting is completed, the votes will be collected on the spot and counted under the supervision of a founding consultant or consultant. The one with the most votes is elected. If there is no founding adviser or adviser to monitor the vote, it will be replaced by a member who voluntarily participates in the vote monitoring.
- (4) The elected executive committee members must hold a new executive committee meeting within 14 days after the end of the general meeting, select positions from each other, and notify the members of the results of the mutual election in writing, email, instant messaging or telephone.
- (5) Old members must transfer all their duties within 14 days from the completion of the general meeting.
- (6) The number of full members in the executive committee must be 70% or more. The positions of chairman, vice chairman and treasurer must be performed by regular members.
- (7) When participating in elections with group votes, the Association must observe the following points:
  - i) If the association needs to vote in any election in the name of a group, a primary election must be held within the association in advance. The voting method of the primary election must be the same as that of the formal election, and the winner will be regarded as the candidate or option of the Association's preference.
  - ii) Voters authorized to vote on behalf of the Association must vote for the aforementioned candidates or options, otherwise the authorization shall be terminated immediately.
  - iii) All arrangements for authorized voting must comply with local election laws.

#### **Chapter VII : Membership Fees**

- (1) Regular members: There is no formal membership dues.
- (2) For those who withdraw from membership automatically or have their membership removed, all donations paid will not be refunded.
- (3) The income and property of the Association, no matter how they are obtained, shall only be used purely to promote the purposes set out in the Association's constitution. The members of the Association shall not share any part of the income and property of the Association.
- (4) The financial year of the Association is from January 1 to December 31 each year.

## Chapter VIII : Appendix

- (1) If the association needs to be dissolved, it must be approved at the general meeting, and only two-thirds of the members attending the general meeting can agree to dissolve. If there are any remaining assets, they will be donated to charitable organizations that are exempt from tax under Section 88 of the Inland Revenue Ordinance for charitable purposes.
- (2) Any amendments to the constitution of the Association must be approved by the General Assembly before being implemented and submitted to the Societies Registry for record.
- (3) General meetings include annual general meetings and special general meetings.
- (4) If there is an over-funding situation in the mid-year financial affairs, the executive member committee must submit the situation to the annual general meeting to determine the handling method.
- (5) The Association must keep sufficient income and expenditure records (including donation receipts), proper accounting accounts and annual financial reports.
- (6) If any executive member of the Association is directly or indirectly interested in a contract with the Association or a contract proposed with the Association in any way, and such interests are critical, the As far as practicable, members must declare the nature of their interests at the earliest executive committee meeting, and they may not vote on relevant matters.

(Last revision date: June 7, 2020)

## 4) VEXILLOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF SINGAPORE (VSS)

### VEXILLOLOGICAL SOCIETY (SINGAPORE)

Mr Bruce Berry  
Secretary General  
Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques (FIAV)

28 January 2021

#### Application for Membership in the FIAV

Dear Bruce

On behalf of the Vexillological Society (Singapore) I have the pleasure to apply for membership in the Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques (FIAV), pursuant to Chapter III of the FIAV Constitution.

Please find attached:


- a) Our Constitution, as approved by the Registrar of Societies, Singapore;
- b) Excerpt from the Government Gazette of 4 Sep 2020, confirming the Society's registration;
- c) Excerpt from Accounting and Corporate Regulatory Authority (Singapore) website showing the Society's UEN (Unique Entity Number).

Under Singaporean law a Society must have at least ten members in order to be registered ([https://www.ifag.gov.sg/MHA/sgos/fcd\\_faomain.aspx?FAQ=4452](https://www.ifag.gov.sg/MHA/sgos/fcd_faomain.aspx?FAQ=4452)). We have currently twelve registered members and intend to slowly increase membership over time.

Since September 2020 we have distributed a monthly newsletter of educational character.

We look forward to your news and remain with best regards.

Vexillological Society (Singapore)

  
(G) Schneider  
President

Enclosures



## CONSTITUTION OF THE VEXILLOLOGICAL SOCIETY (SINGAPORE)

### NAME

- 1.1 This Society shall be known as the “Vexillological Society (Singapore)”, hereinafter referred to as the “Society”.

### PLACE OF BUSINESS

- 2.1 Its place of business shall be at 10 Gopeng Street, #40-05, Singapore 078878, or such other address as may subsequently be decided upon by the Committee and approved by the Registrar of Societies. The Society shall carry out its activities only in places and premises which have the prior written approval from the relevant authorities, where necessary.

### OBJECTS

- 3.1 Its objects are:
- a) To promote vexillology as the scientific study of the origins, history, symbolism, and use of flags;
  - b) To research the origins, history, symbolism, and use of flags, in particular in Singapore and Southeast Asia;
  - c) To educate members in all aspects of vexillology;
  - d) To cooperate actively with individuals and institutions having similar concerns, in particular with other vexillological associations, agencies, and research centres of whatever type;
  - e) To represent of vexillologists of Singapore on an international level.
- 3.2 In furtherance of the above objects, the Society may organise meetings, seminars, lectures, and similar events and publicise or distribute Vexillological articles and reports to its members and the public.

### MEMBERSHIP QUALIFICATION AND RIGHTS

- 4.1 Membership is open to any person who shares the Society’s objects. Persons who are below 18 years of age shall be accepted as members only with the written consent of their parent or guardian.
- 4.2 Only members who are above 21 years of age shall have the right to vote and to hold office in the Society.
- 4.3. Membership shall be non-transferable.

### APPLICATION FOR AND SUSPENSION OF MEMBERSHIP

- 5.1 A person wishing to join the Society should submit her/his particulars to the Secretary on a prescribed form.
- 5.2. The Committee shall have the power to accept or reject any application, or renewal for membership, without assigning any reason.
- 5.3 A copy of the Constitution shall be furnished to every approved member.
- 5.4 The Committee may suspend up to a maximum period of six months or expel a member by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the Committee if the member has conducted herself/himself by word, act or omission in a manner, which in the opinion of the Committee, is prejudicial to the interests of the Society and/or injurious to its reputation. Such member shall be given the opportunity to present her/his case in person before the Committee.

## ENTRANCE FEES, SUBSCRIPTIONS AND OTHER DUES

- 6.1 There shall be no entrance fee payable for all members.
- 6.2 There shall be no annual or other dues payable by members. The funds of the Society shall be derived from free-will offerings.
- 6.3 Any funds required for special purposes may only be raised from members with the consent of the general meeting of the members.
- 6.4 The income and property of the Society whensoever derived shall be applied towards the promotion of the objects of the Society as set forth in this Constitution and no portion thereof shall be paid or transferred directly or indirectly by way of dividend or bonus or otherwise howsoever by way of profit to the persons who at any time are or have been members of the Society or to any of them or to any person claiming through any of them.

## SUPREME AUTHORITY AND GENERAL MEETINGS

- 7.1 The supreme authority of the Society is vested in a General Meeting of the members.
- 7.2 An Annual General Meeting shall be held within 3 months from the close of its financial year.
- 7.3 At other times, an Extraordinary General Meeting must be called by the President on the request in writing of not less than 25% of the total voting membership or thirty (30) voting members, whichever is the lesser, and may be called at any time by order of the Committee. The notice in writing shall be given to the Secretary setting forth the business that is to be transacted. The Extraordinary General Meeting shall be convened within two (2) months from receiving this request to convene the Extraordinary General Meeting.
- 7.4 If the Committee does not within two (2) months after the date of the receipt of the written request proceed to convene an Extraordinary General Meeting, the members who requested for the Extraordinary General Meeting shall convene the Extraordinary General Meeting by giving ten (10) days' notice to voting members setting forth the business to be transacted and simultaneously distributing the agenda through the Society's digital newsletter, or through an email broadcast addressed to all voting members of the Society.
- 7.5 At least two (2) weeks' notice shall be given of an Annual General Meeting and at least ten (10) days' notice of an Extraordinary General Meeting. Notice of meeting stating the date, time and place of meeting shall be sent by the Secretary to all voting members. The particulars of the agenda shall be posted on the Society's digital newsletter, or sent by email to all voting members, four (4) days in advance of the meeting.
- 7.6 Unless otherwise stated in this Constitution, voting by proxy is allowed at all general meetings.
- 7.7 The following points will be considered at the Annual General Meeting:
  - a) The previous financial year's accounts and annual report of the Committee.
  - b) Where applicable, the election of office-bearers and Honorary Auditors for the following term.
  - c) Any member who wishes to place an item on the agenda of a General Meeting may do so provided he gives notice to the Secretary one (1) week before the meeting is due to be held.
- 7.8 At least 25% of the total voting membership or thirty (30) voting members, whichever is the lesser, present at a General Meeting shall form a quorum. Proxies shall not be constituted as part of the quorum.
- 7.9 In the event of there being no quorum at the commencement of a General Meeting, the meeting shall be adjourned for half an hour and should the number then present be insufficient to form a quorum, those present shall be considered a quorum, but they shall have no power to amend any part of the existing Constitution.

## MANAGEMENT AND COMMITTEE

- 8.1 The administration of the Society shall be entrusted to a Committee consisting of the following to be elected at alternate Annual General Meeting:
  - A President
  - A Secretary
  - A Treasurer
- 8.2 Names for the above offices shall be proposed and seconded at the Annual General Meeting and election will follow on a simple majority vote of the members. All office bearers, except the Treasurer, may be re-elected to the same or related post for a consecutive term of office. The term of office of the Committee is two years.
- 8.3 Election will be either by show of hands or, subject to the agreement of the majority of the voting members present, by a secret ballot. In the event of a tie, a re-vote shall be taken and if it still results in a tie, a lot shall be drawn to determine who shall be the successful candidate unless the contesting candidate(s) withdrew in favour of one of themselves.
- 8.4 A Committee Meeting shall be held at least once every six months after giving seven (7) days notice to Committee Members. The President may call a Committee Meeting at any time by giving five (5) days notice. Majority of the Committee Members must be present for its proceedings to be valid.
- 8.5 Any member of the Committee absenting himself from three (3) meetings consecutively without satisfactory explanations shall be deemed to have withdrawn from the Committee and a successor may be co-opted by the Committee to serve until the next Annual General Meeting. Any changes in the Committee shall be notified to the Registrar of Societies within two (2) weeks of the change.
- 8.6 The duty of the Committee is to organise and supervise the daily activities of the Society. The Committee may not act contrary to the expressed wishes of the General Meeting without prior reference to it and shall always remain subordinate to the General Meetings.
- 8.7 The Committee has power to authorise the expenditure of a sum not exceeding \$500 per month from the Society's funds for the Society's purposes.
- 8.8 A member, other than an office-bearer, who wishes to represent the Society in dealings with the public or with third parties requires the Committee's approval to do so.

## DUTIES OF OFFICE-BEARERS

- 9.1 The President shall chair all General and Committee meetings. She/He shall also represent the Society in its dealings with outside persons or organisation.
- 9.2 The Secretary shall keep all records, except financial, of the Society and shall be responsible for their correctness. She/He will keep minutes of all General and Committee meetings. She/He shall maintain an up-to-date Register of Members at all times.
- 9.3 The Treasurer shall keep all funds and collect and disburse all moneys on behalf of the Society and shall keep an account of all monetary transactions and shall be responsible for their correctness. She/He is authorised to expend up to \$30 per month for petty expenses on behalf of the Society. She/He will not keep more than \$200 in the form of cash and money in excess of this will be deposited in a bank to be named by the Committee. Cheques, etc. for withdrawals from the bank will be signed by the Treasurer and either the President or the Vice-President or the Secretary.

## AUDIT AND FINANCIAL YEAR

- 10.1 Two (2) voting members, not being members of the Committee, shall be elected as Honorary Auditors at alternate Annual General Meeting and will hold office for a term

of two years only and shall not be re-elected for a consecutive term. The accounts of the Society shall be audited by a firm of Public Accountants and Chartered Accountants if the gross income or expenditure of the Society exceeds \$500,000 in that financial year, in accordance with Section 4 of the Societies Regulations.

10.2 The financial year shall be from 01 August to 31 July.

## TRUSTEES

11.1 If the Society at any time acquires any immovable property, such property shall be vested in trustees subject to a declaration of trust.

11.2 The trustees of the Society shall:

a) Not be more than four (4) and not less than two (2) in number.

b) Be elected by a General Meeting of members.

c) Not effect any sale or mortgage of property without the prior approval of the General Meeting of members.

11.3 The office of the trustee shall be vacated:

a) If the trustee dies or becomes a lunatic or of unsound mind.

b) If he is absent from the Republic of Singapore for a period of more than one (1) year.

c) If he is guilty of misconduct of such a kind as to render it undesirable that he continues as a trustee.

d) If he submits notice of resignation from his trusteeship.

11.4 Notice of any proposal to remove a trustee from his trusteeship or to appoint a new trustee to fill a vacancy must be given by posting it on the notice board in the Society's premises at least two (2) weeks before the General Meeting at which the proposal is to be discussed. The result of such General Meeting shall then be notified to the Registrar of Societies.

11.5 The address of each immovable property, name of each trustee and any subsequent change must be notified to the Registrar of Societies.

## VISITORS AND GUESTS

12.1 Visitors and guests may be admitted to join activities of the Society but they shall not be admitted into the privileges of the Society. All visitors and guests shall abide by the Society's rules and regulations.

## PROHIBITIONS

13.1 Gambling of any kind, excluding the promotion or conduct of a private lottery which has been permitted under the Private Lotteries Act Cap 250, is forbidden on the Society's premises. The introduction of materials for gambling or drug taking and of bad characters into the premises is prohibited.

13.2 The funds of the Society shall not be used to pay the fines of members who have been convicted in court of law.

13.3 The Society shall not engage in any trade union activity as defined in any written law relating to trade unions for the time being in force in Singapore.

13.4 The Society shall not indulge in any political activity or allow its funds and/or premises to be used for political purposes.

13.5 The Society shall not hold any lottery, whether confined to its members or not, in the name of the Society or its office-bearers, Committee or members unless with the prior approval of the relevant authorities.

13.6 The Society shall not raise funds from the public for whatever purposes without the prior approval in writing of the Assistant Director Operations, Licensing Division, Singapore Police Force and other relevant authorities.

## AMENDMENTS TO CONSTITUTION

- 14.1 The Society shall not amend its Constitution without the prior approval in writing of the Registrar of Societies. No alteration or addition/deletion to this Constitution shall be passed except at a general meeting and with the consent of two-thirds (2/3) of the voting members present at the General Meeting.

## INTERPRETATION

- 15.1 In the event of any question or matter pertaining to day-to-day administration which is not expressly provided for in this Constitution, the Committee shall have power to use their own discretion. The decision of the Committee shall be final unless it is reversed at a General Meeting of members.

## DISPUTES

- 16.1 In the event of any dispute arising amongst members, they shall attempt to resolve the matter at an Extraordinary General Meeting in accordance with this Constitution. Should the members fail to resolve the matter, they may bring the matter to a court of law for settlement.

## CONFIDENTIALITY

- 17.1 Membership information as well as any other personal particulars shall be used solely for the Society's objects and purposes and shall not be used or released for commercial or solicitation purposes or to promote any other interests or businesses. The Society shall produce guidelines or by-laws and take appropriate measures to comply with applicable data protection legislation for the processing of personal data collected from its members, partner organisations, other third parties, and the public in the course of its activities.
- 17.2 The Committee shall appoint among the office-bearers a Data Protection Officer.

## DISSOLUTION

- 18.1 The Society shall not be dissolved, except with the consent of not less than three-fifths (3/5) of the total voting membership of the Society for the time being resident in Singapore expressed, either in person or by proxy, at a General Meeting convened for the purpose.
- 18.2 In the event of the Society being dissolved as provided above, all debts and liabilities legally incurred on behalf of the Society shall be fully discharged, and the remaining funds will be disposed of in such manner as the General Meeting of members may determine or donated to an approved charity or charities in Singapore.
- 18.3 A Certificate of Dissolution shall be given within seven (7) days of the dissolution to the Registrar of ICV

## **RULES OF ORDER FOR THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

At the Seventeenth Session of the General Assembly (July 23, 2001, York), the General Assembly adopted the following motion, "That *Bourinot's Rules of Order* (ISBN 0-7710-8336-X) be adopted for use on a permanent basis." These are published in Info-FIAV number 19, at page 12 (August 2001).

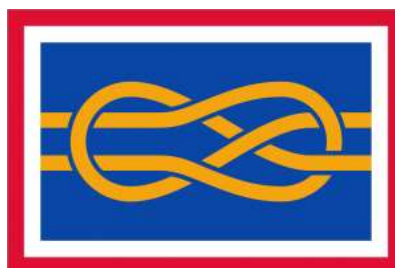
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## CURRENT MEMBERS OF FIAV

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The following FIAV Board actions are relevant to the Members list:

- 2016–3 Members are identified by names in the language or languages which the Members specified when they joined FIAV, and Member names are not otherwise translated. To simplify discussions in the General Assembly and in *Info-FIAV*, Members may be identified by abbreviations assigned by the Secretary-General.
- 2016–5 Members should notify the Secretary-General of any substantive changes in status, i.e., a change of name, territory, or anything affecting the basic membership requirements set out in Constitution articles 6 and 7(a). The Secretary-General will communicate any such change in status to the General Assembly, which may take action as it deems appropriate.

2017–1 Board Action 2016–4 is amended to read as follows: The territory of Members is listed to reflect the geographic status under which each Member was admitted to FIAV. Four Members were admitted as having a territory containing more than one country: GSI, NF, NAVA, and SAVA. FOTW was admitted as a Member with the understanding that its territory would correspond to the country in which its director resides (see *Info-FIAV* number 19, page 22 (2001)). A Member's territory is relevant for determining the effect of FIAV Constitution article 12(b). The Board will communicate unresolved issues regarding FIAV Constitution article 12(b) to the General Assembly, which may take action as it deems appropriate.

A Member's address is generally listed given in the standard format of the addressee's country, except in this list all country names are given in English. Information on standard address formats is available on the Universal Postal Union's web site at [www.upu.int](http://www.upu.int).

Members are specifically encouraged to obtain an ISSN or ISSN-L for all past and present periodical publications (information on obtaining an ISSN or ISSN-L is available online from the International Centre for the Registration of Serial Publications at [www.issn.org](http://www.issn.org)).

The distinction between full and associate membership, first introduced in 1989, was abolished in 2001. Unless otherwise noted, all Members admitted between 1989 and 2001 were admitted as Full Members.

**1) Asociación Argentina de Vexilología (AAV)**

c/o Alberto Rubén Perazzo  
25 de Mayo 276 PB Dpto. 4  
1824 LANÚS OESTE  
Pcia. de Buenos Aires  
ARGENTINA  
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Secretary/Other: Mario Paulise, secretary  
Telephone: 54 11 4241 0975 (Alberto Rubén Perazzo)  
E-mail: [asociacionargentinadevexilologia@yahoo.com.ar](mailto:asociacionargentinadevexilologia@yahoo.com.ar)  
Website: none  
Established: February 16, 1988  
Member Since: August 23, 1993 (number 33)  
Territory: Argentina  
Periodical Publication: *Estandarte* (Spanish; since 1991)

**2) Associació Catalana de Vexil·lologia (ACV)**

c/o Anna-María Galán i Pla  
Carrer de la Minería, 17, 3r, 9a  
08038 BARCELONA  
SPAIN  
Type: association  
President/Other: Anna-María Galán i Pla, president  
Secretary/Other: Sebastià Herreros i Agüí, secretary-general  
Telephone: 34 3 33 23 898 (Anna-María Galán i Pla)  
E-mail: [acv@vexi.cat](mailto:acv@vexi.cat)  
Website: <http://www.vexi.cat>  
Established: September 26, 1981  
Member Since: May 28, 1985 (number 22)  
Territory: Spain: Catalonia  
Periodical Publication: *Vexil·la Catalana* (Catalan; since 1985)

- 3) **Bandiere Storiche (BS)**  
 c/o Flavio Livio Marchetto  
 Piazza Martiri della Libertà, 4  
 20021 BOLLATE (MILANO)  
 ITALY  
 Type: association  
 President/Other: Flavio Livio Marchetto, president  
 Secretary/Other: none  
 Telephone: 39 347 892 0754  
 E-mail: info@bandierestoriche.it  
 Website: <http://www.bandierestoriche.it>  
 Established: April 14, 2008  
 Member Since: August 6, 2013 (number 70)  
 Territory: Italy  
 Periodical Publication: none
- 4) **Българско хералдическо и вексилолошко общество (BHVS)**  
**Bulgarian Heraldry and Vexillology Society**  
 Stoyan Antonov  
 Faculty of Philosophy and History  
 "Paisiy Hilendarski" Plovdiv University  
 24, Tsar Assen St.  
 PLOVDIV 4000  
 BULGARIA  
 Type: association  
 President/Other: Stoyan Antonov, chairman  
 Secretary/Other: Aleksandar Aleksiev, secretary  
 Telephone: 359 32 242214 (Stoyan Antonov)  
 E-mail: bgherald@gmail.com  
 Website: <http://heraldika-bg.org>  
 Established: December 14, 2004; March 18, 2005 (legal registration)  
 Member Since: August 6, 2013 (number 68)  
 Territory: Bulgaria  
 Periodical Publication: *Herold* (ISSN 1313-4809; Bulgarian and English; annual; since 2008)
- 5) **The Burgee Data Archives (BDA)**  
 no mailing address  
 Type: institution  
 President/Other: none  
 Secretary/Other: none  
 Telephone: none  
 E-mail: none  
 Website: none  
 Established: October 31, 1978  
 Member Since: August 14, 1997 (number 47)  
 Territory: Canada  
 Periodical Publication: *The Private Signal* (English; irregular; since 1996 January)  
 Notes: changed name on August 31, 1993 from Canadian Flag Institute;  
 founder Peter Edwards died on July15, 2019



- 6) The Canadian Flag Association (CFA)  
L'Association canadienne de vexillologie**  
1515-730 Dovercourt Rd.  
TORONTO ON M6H 2W9  
CANADA
- Type: association  
 President/Other: Kevin Harrington, president emeritus  
 Secretary/Other: Linda J. Dean, secretary  
 Telephone: 1 519 307 1515 (Kevin Harrington)  
 E-mail: [cfa.acv@gmail.com](mailto:cfa.acv@gmail.com)  
 Website: <http://cfa-acv.tripod.com/>  
 Established: February 6, 1985  
 Member Since: August 23, 1993 (number 30)  
 Territory: Canada  
 Periodical Publication: *Flagscan* (ISSN 0833-1510; English/French; quarterly; 1986 to ?)  
 Supplements: *Banderín* (ISSN 1492-8256; English; 1999 to ?)  
*Band.It* (ISSN ?; English; ? to ?)  
*Dragonflags* (ISSN 1492-840X; English; 1999 to ?)  
*Ensign & Jack* (ISSN 1492-8477; English; 1998 to ?)  
*Flag City* (ISSN 1492-837X; English; 1998 to ?)  
*Flagnaut* (ISSN 1492-8396; English; 1998 to ?)  
*Flagguru* (ISSN ?; English; ? to ?)  
*FlagsAm* (ISSN 1492-8388; English; 1998 to ?)  
*Heraldo* (ISSN ?; English; ? to ?)  
*Ifulegi* (ISSN 1492-823X; English; 1998 to ?)  
*Pavillonnerie* (ISSN 1492-8248; French; 1998 to ?)
- 7) Centre Belgo-Européen d'Études des Drapeaux (CEBED)**  
c/o Michel R. Lupant  
Clos de la Pasture 6  
1340 OTTIGNIES-LOUVAIN-LA-NEUVE  
BELGIUM
- Type: institution  
 President/Other: Michel R. Lupant, president  
 Secretary/Other: none  
 Telephone: 32 10 41 43 85 (Michel R. Lupant)  
 E-mail: [cebedr@gmail.com](mailto:cebedr@gmail.com)  
 Website: none  
 Established: April 1, 1990  
 Member Since: August 23, 1993 (number 31)  
 Territory: Belgium  
 Periodical Publication: *Gaceta de Banderas* (Spanish/French/English; eight times a year; since 1979 (in collaboration with Sociedad Española de Vexilología))
- 8) Centro Italiano Studi Vessillologici (CISV)**  
c/o Roberto Breschi  
Via Mammini, 66  
55100 LUCCA  
ITALY
- Type: association  
 President/Other: Roberto Breschi, president  
 Secretary/Other: Pier Paolo Lugli, secretary/librarian  
 Telephone: 39 583 953249 (Roberto Breschi)  
 E-mail: [breschirob@libero.it](mailto:breschirob@libero.it) (Roberto Breschi)  
 Website: <http://www.cisv.it>  
 Established: 1972  
 Member Since: September 14, 1973 (number 14)  
 Territory: Italy  
 Periodical Publications: *Vexilla Italica* (Italian; since 1974)  
*Vexilla Notizie* (Italian; since 2002)

- 9) **Česká vexilologická společnost z. s. (CVS)**  
 c/o Petr Holas  
 Psárská 1347/1  
 141 00 PRAHA 4 - Michle  
 CZECH REPUBLIC (CZECHIA)  
 Type: association  
 President/Other: Petr Holas, president  
 Secretary/Other: Jiří Eichler, secretary  
 Telephone: none  
 E-mail: vexilologie@centrum.cz  
 Website: <http://www.vexilologie.cz>  
 Established: January 29, 1972  
 Member Since: August 23, 1993 (number 29)  
 Territory: Czech Republic  
 Periodical Publications: *Vexilologie* (ISSN 1211-2615; Czech (English translations of articles available); since 1972)  
*Vexillological Letters* (Czech; irregular 1976 to 1989)  
*Vexilokontakt* (Czech; irregular; since 1989 (in collaboration with Středisko vexilologických informací / Flag Data Centre))  
*Vexilokontakt - Special Issue* (English; annually; since 1997 (in collaboration with Středisko vexilologických informací / Flag Data Centre))  
*Proceedings of the Czech National Congress on Vexillology* (Czech; every four years; since 1996) (in collaboration with Středisko vexilologických informací / Flag Data Centre))  
 Notes: recognized July 1, 1991 as "Honorary Affiliate"; changed name on April 2, 2005 from Vexilologický Klub (VK)
- 10) **Chesapeake Bay Flag Association (CBFA)**  
 c/o John A. Lowe  
 4909 Hampden Ln. #303  
 BETHESDA MD 20814-2920  
 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
 Type: association  
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 Secretary/Other: vacant  
 Telephone: 1 301 468 9202 (John A. Lowe)  
 E-mail: lowe69@verizon.net (John A. Lowe)  
 Website: <http://cbfa.vexillology.info>  
 Established: November 6, 1982 (informal), November 13, 1993 (formal)  
 Member Since: July 3, 1995 (number 38)  
 Territory: United States: Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and West Virginia  
 Periodical Publication: *The Flagship* (English; since 1993)

- 11) **Corporación Nacional de Vexilología de Chile (CONAVEX)**  
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 Department 1411  
 8930210 San Miguel  
 SANTIAGO  
 CHILE  
 Type: association  
 President/Other: Steffan Giadach Axt, president  
 Secretary/Other: Cristóbal Barra Cisterna, secretary  
 Telephone: 56 9942618084  
 E-mail: conavexchile@gmail.com  
 Website: <https://conavexcl.wordpress.com>  
 Established: November 3, 2017  
 Member since: July 16, 2019 (number 73)  
 Territory: Chile  
 Periodical publications: none
- 12) **Cumann Geinealais na hÉireann Teoranta (Brateolaíocht Éireann branch) (GSI)  
 Genealogical Society of Ireland Limited (Vexillology Ireland branch)**  
 11, Desmond Avenue  
 DÚN LAOGHAIRE  
 Co. Dublin  
 EIRE (REPUBLIC OF IRELAND)  
 Type: association  
 President/Other: Gerry Hayden, cathaoirleach  
 Secretary/Other: Michael Merrigan, general secretary  
 Other: Stanislav Zamyatin, chief executive officer of Brateolaíocht Éireann  
 branch / Vexillology Ireland  
 Telephone: 353 1 284 2711  
 E-mail: bratachaeire@gmail.com  
 Websites: [www.familyhistory.ie](http://www.familyhistory.ie) and <https://flagsireland.wordpress.com>  
 Established: October 25, 1990  
 Member Since: August 6, 2013 (number 71)  
 Territory: Ireland (Ireland and United Kingdom: Northern Ireland)  
 Periodical Publications: *The Genie Gazette* (ISSN 1393-3183; English; monthly; 1996 to 2005)  
*Ireland's Genealogical Gazette* (ISSN 1649-7937; English; monthly;  
 since 2006)  
*VIBE—Vexillology Ireland: Brateolaíocht Éireann* (ISSN 2009-6437;  
 English; quarterly; since 2013)
- 13) **Deutsche Gesellschaft für Flaggenkunde e.V. (DGF)**  
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 Albaxer Straße 33 B  
 37671 HÖXTER  
 GERMANY  
 Type: association  
 President/Other: Jörg Majewski, chairman  
 Secretary/Other: Falko Schmidt, secretary  
 Telephone: ?  
 E-mail: pres@flaggenkunde.de  
 Website: <http://www.flaggenkunde.de>  
 Established: February 4, 1995  
 Member Since: August 12, 1997 (number 43)  
 Territory: Germany  
 Periodical Publications: *Der Flaggenkurier* (ISSN 0949-6173; German; semiannual; since  
 1995)  
*DGF-Nachrichten* (German; 1995 to 2004)  
*DGF-Informationen* (German; bi-monthly; since 2004)

**14) Flag Heritage Foundation (FHF)**

301 Newbury St. Ste. 11 #108

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Type: institution

President/Other: Kirby A. Baker, chair

Secretary/Other: ?

Telephone: 1 424 272 0701

E-mail: [info@flagheritagefoundation.org](mailto:info@flagheritagefoundation.org)

Website: <http://www.flagheritagefoundation.org>

Established: July 30, 1971

Member Since: July 28, 2003 (number 58)

Territory: United States

Periodical Publications: *The Standard* (English; irregular; since 2002)

*Monograph and Translation Series* (English; irregular, since 2010)

**15) The Flag Institute (FI)**

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HU1 1NQ

UNITED KINGDOM

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President/Other: Malcolm Farrow, president

Secretary/Other: John Hall, chairman

Telephone: 44 20 7060 9660

E-mail: [chairman@flaginstitute.org](mailto:chairman@flaginstitute.org)

Website: <http://www.flaginstitute.org>

Established: April 23, 1971; November 17, 2012 (charity registration)

Member Since: June 24, 1971 (number 13)

Territory: United Kingdom

Periodical Publications: *Flagmaster* (ISSN 0142-1271; English; quarterly; since 1978)

Flag Institute Bulletin (ISSN 0309-085X; English; irregular 1977 to 1978)

*Flagmaster* (ISSN 0142-5129; English; quarterly 1971 to 1975)

*eFlags* (no ISSN; English; irregular since 2006)

Notes: formed from the Heraldry Society, Flag Section (HSFS), which was removed as a Member in 1987

**16) The Flag Research Center (FRC)**

c/o Charles A. Spain

504 Branard St.

HOUSTON TX 77006-5018

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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President/Other: Scot Guenter, Hugh Brady, and Charles Spain, directors

Secretary/Other: none

Telephone: 1 781 729 9410

E-mail: cspain@vexillology.org

Website: <https://flagresearchcenter.org>

Established: February 1, 1962

Member Since: September 7, 1969 (charter)

Territory: United States

Periodical Publications: The Flag Bulletin (ISSN 0015-3370; English; bimonthly; October 1, 1961 to present)

Supplements:

*Flag Bulletin Newsletter / Courier de drapeau / Flaggenmitteilungen* (English; bi-monthly; 1967 to 1973)

*Flag Information Sources* (English; 1970 to 1973)

*The Vexillo-File* (English; irregular; 2002 to 2011)

*Flag Specification Sheets* (English; irregular; 1960 to 2011)

*Flag Data Archives* (English; 1969 to 1975)

*End of the Year Review* (English; annual; 1976 to 2011)

*News from the Vexillarium* (English; irregular; 1982 to 2011)

*Flag Etiquette & Usage Standards* (English; irregular; 1996 to 2011)

*FlagInform* (English; irregular; 2001 to 2012)

*Flag Facts* (English; irregular; 2012)

Notes: part of The Trust for Vexillology (a Texas nonprofit corporation) since March 15, 2014

**17) Flag Society of Australia Inc. (doing business as Flags Australia) (FSA)**

Post Office Box 233

MILSONS POINT NSW 1565

AUSTRALIA

Type: association

President/Other: Ralph D. Kelly, president

Secretary/Other: Ralph G.C. Bartlett

Telephone: 61 2 9481 0978 (Ralph D. Kelly)

E-mail: ralphkelly@flagsaustralia.com.au (Ralph D. Kelly)

Website: <http://www.flagsaustralia.com.au>

Established: August 20, 1983

Member Since: May 28, 1985 (number 23)

Territory: Australia

Periodical Publication: *Crux Australis* (ISSN 0814-5008; English; quarterly; since 1984)

**18) Flags of the World (FOTW)**

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2 Gloucecap Terrace  
WOLFVILLE NS B4P 1S7  
CANADA  
Type: association  
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Secretary/Other: Dirk Schönberger, list master  
Telephone: 1 902 542 7767 (Rob Raeside)  
E-mail: rob.raeside@gmail.com (Rob Raeside)  
Website: <http://www.flagspot.net>  
Established: September 1993  
Member Since: July 23, 2001 (number 56)  
Territory: Canada  
Periodical Publication: *Flags of the World* website (ISSN 1712-9842; English; continuous; since 1993; available online at <http://www.flagspot.net>)

**19) Fundación Centro Interdisciplinario de Estudios Culturales (CIDECA)**

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ARGENTINA  
Type: institution  
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Secretary/Other: María Laura Arnejo, secretary-general  
Telephone: 549 11 5828 6382  
E-mail: info@cidecargentina.com  
Website: [www.cidecargentina.com](http://www.cidecargentina.com)  
Established: March 7, 1990; 1992 (legal registration)  
Member Since: August 23, 1993 (number 36)  
Territory: Argentina  
Periodical Publications: *Boletín CIDECA* (Spanish; bi-monthly; since 1992)  
*La Page Française* (French; since 1992)  
*Anglo-American Journal* (English; since 1995)  
*C.I.D.E.C. en Acción: Boletín Informativo Virtual* (Spanish; since 2001)  
Notes: originally admitted as Associate Member; became Full Member August 27, 1993; temporarily known as Asociación de Profesionales de Ceremonial de la República Argentina (APCRA)

**20) Great Waters Association of Vexillology (GWAV)**

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7457 N. Sheridan Rd.  
CHICAGO IL 60626-6800  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
Type: association  
President/Other: David Breitenbach, president  
Secretary/Other: William Belanich, Jr., secretary  
Telephone: 1 773 465 7530 (David Breitenbach)  
E-mail: flaggsusa@prodigy.net  
Website: <http://gwav.tripod.com>  
Established: May 11, 1991  
Member Since: July 29, 1999 (number 49)  
Territory: United States: Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, and Ohio  
Periodical Publication: *FlaGWAVer* (English; semi-annual; since 1996)  
Notes: changed name on November 6, 1996 from Great Waters Chapter (GWC) after NAVA voted not to establish chapters

- 21) Heraldica Slovenica (HS)**  
P.P. 1526  
Cankarjeva cesta 1  
1000 LJUBLJANA  
SLOVENIA  
Type: association  
President/Other: Aleksander Hribovšek, president  
Secretary/Other: Uroš Žižmund, secretary  
Telephone: 386 41 597 821  
E-mail: info@heraldica-slovenica.si  
Website: <http://www.heraldica-slovenica.si/>  
Established: 1991  
Member Since: August 23, 1993 (number 32)  
Territory: Slovenia  
Periodical: Publication: none  
Notes: changed name in 1995 from Slovenski Ščit - HGV Club (SS)
- 22) Heraldischer Verein “Zum Kleeblatt” von 1888 zu Hannover e. V. (HVK)**  
c/o Hans-Peter Dege  
Spandauer Weg 59  
31141 HILDESHEIM  
GERMANY  
Type: institution  
President/Other: Hans-Peter Dege, chairman  
Secretary/Other: Volkmar Tonnies, secretary  
Telephone: ?  
E-mail: info@zum-kleeblatt.de  
Website: <http://www.zum-kleeblatt.de>  
Established: December 4, 1888  
Member Since: August 23, 1993 (number 35)  
Territory: Germany  
Periodical Publications: *Kleeblatt: Zeitschrift für Heraldik und verwandte Wissenschaften* (German; since 1984)  
*Jahrbuch—Heraldischer Verein “Zum Kleeblatt” von 1888 zu Hannover e. V.* (ISSN 0341-9908; German; annual; since 1963)  
Notes: originally admitted as Associate Member; became Full Member August 27, 1993
- 23) Hrvatsko grboslovno i zastavoslovno društvo (HGZD)  
Croatian Heraldic and Vexillological Association**  
Pazinska 50  
10110 ZAGREB  
CROATIA  
Type: association  
President/Other: Željko Heimer, president  
Secretary/Other: Matea Brstilo Rešetar, secretary  
Telephone: 385 91 56 39 391 (Željko Heimer)  
E-mail: hgzd@hgzd.hr  
Website: <http://www.hgzd.hr>  
Established: May 4, 2006  
Member Since: August 7, 2007 (number 62)  
Territory: Croatia  
Periodical Publication: *Grb i Zastava* (ISSN 1846-3827; Croatian and English; semi-annual; since 2006)  
Notes: changed name on July 18, 2015 from Hrvatsko grboslovno i zastavoslovno društvo / Croatian Heraldic and Vexillologic Association

**24) Indian Vexillological Association (IVA)**

Sanjeeva Rao Kambhampati

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Vijayanagar Colony

Khammam Bypass Road

KHAMMAM 507002

Telangana

INDIA

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Secretary/Other: D. Lingaraju, general secretary

Telephone: 91 9949778428 (Sanjeeva Rao)

E-mail: sanjeevarao1963@yahoo.com

Website: none

Established: November 14, 2002

Member Since: August 7, 2007 (number 63)

Territory: India

Periodical Publication: none

**25) Instytut Heraldyczno-Weksylologiczny (IHW)**

ul. Turystyczna 70

43-436 GÓRKI WIELKIE

POLAND

Type: institution

President/Other: Beata Znamierowska, director

Secretary/Other: ?

Telephone: 48 33 853 99 28 (Alfred Znamierowski)

E-mail: info@instytutheraldyczny.pl

Website: [http://www.albumpolski.pl/IHW\\_WWW/index.php](http://www.albumpolski.pl/IHW_WWW/index.php)

Established: September 1, 1997

Member Since: July 23, 2001 (number 51)

Territory: Poland

Periodical Publication: *Flagi miast polskich* (Polish; bi-monthly; since 2000)  
*Weksylia* (Polish and English; bi-monthly; since 2015)

**26) Kevarzhe Vannielouriezh Vreizh (KVV)**

**Société Bretonne de Vexillologie**

c/o Alain Raullet

47 rue de Gascogne

22000 ST BRIEUC

Breizh

FRANCE

Type: association

President/Other: Alain Raullet, president

Secretary/Other: Hervé Prat, secretary

Telephone: 33 0 2 96 94 34 82 (Alain Raullet)

E-mail: alain.raullet@wanadoo.fr (Alain Raullet)

Website: [http://drapeauxbretagne.canalblog.com/archives/accueil\\_degemer/index.html](http://drapeauxbretagne.canalblog.com/archives/accueil_degemer/index.html)

Established: June 23, 1996

Member Since: August 12, 1997 (number 45)

Territory: France: Brittany

Periodical Publication: *Ar Banniel* (ISSN 1274-5596; Breton/French; bi-annual; since 1996)

Notes: previously known by abbreviation SBV



- 27) **Magyarországi Zászló Társaság (MZT)**  
**Hungarian Flag Society**  
 c/o László Balogh  
 Ifjúság útca 30  
 2040 BUDAÖRS  
 HUNGARY  
 Type: association  
 President/Other: László Balogh, chairman  
 Secretary/Other: ?  
 Telephone: 36 23 421 362 (László Balogh)  
 E-mail: zaszlomuzeum@freemail.hu (László Balogh)  
 Website: none  
 Established: January 6, 1994  
 Member Since: July 5, 1995 (number 42)  
 Territory: Hungary  
 Periodical Publication: *Zászlóvilág / Flagworld* (Hungarian; since ?)  
 Notes: changed name on ? 2000 from Zászlókutató Intézet (ZI); changed name on ? 1997 from Magyar Vexillológiai Társaság / Hungarian Vexillological Association (HUVA)
- 28) **Здружение за хералдика и вексилологија и фалеристика Македонско грбсловно друштво Скопје (MGD)**  
**Zdruzenie za heraldika i veksilologija i faleristika Makedonsko grbslovno društvo Skopje**  
**Macedonian Heraldic Society**  
 Petar Mandzukov  
 113/6 1010 SKOPJE  
 NORTH MACEDONIA  
 Type: association  
 President/Other: Jovan Jonovski, president  
 Secretary/Other: Pavle Arsoški, secretary  
 Telephone: 389 70 252 989 (Jovan Jonovski)  
 E-mail: info@heraldika.org.mk  
 Website: <http://heraldika.org.mk>  
 Established: July 15, 2018  
 Member Since: July 16, 2019 (number 72)  
 Territory: North Macedonia  
 Periodical Publications: *Македонски Хералд / Macedonian Herald* (Macedonian and English; annual; since 2005)  
 Notes: successor to Македонско Хералдичко Здружение (MHZ) / Makedonsko Heraldicko Zdruzenie / Macedonian Heraldry Society, which dissolved on July 15, 2018 due to the inability to elect executive board members

- 29) Nederlandse Vereniging voor Vlaggenkunde (NVvV)**  
 c/o Marcel van Westerhoven  
 Willemsbos 89  
 2134 EC HOOFDORP  
 THE NETHERLANDS  
 Type: association  
 President/Other: Davied van Berlo, president  
 Secretary/Other: Marcel van Westerhoven, secretary  
 Telephone: 31 06 15250653 (Marcel van Westerhoven)  
 E-mail: [secretaris@vlaggenkunde.nl](mailto:secretaris@vlaggenkunde.nl)  
 Website: <http://vlaggenkunde.nl/>  
 Established: March 19, 1966  
 Member Since: September 7, 1969 (charter)  
 Territory: The Netherlands  
 Periodical Publication: *Vexilla Nostra* (ISSN 1382-2497; Dutch; monthly/bi-monthly; 1966 to 1998)  
*Vlaggen-dschrift Vexilla Nostra* (ISSN 1382-2497; Dutch; quarterly; 1998 to 2008)  
*Vlag!* (ISSN 1877-167X; Dutch; tri-annually; since 2008 (until 2018, in collaboration with Stichting Vlaggenparade Rotterdam and the former Stichting Vlaggenmuseum Nederland))
- 30) New England Vexillological Association (NEVA)**  
 c/o Carl S. Gurtman  
 34 Brave Boat Harbor Rd.  
 YORK ME 03909-5027  
 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
 Type: association  
 President/Other: Carl S. Gurtman, president  
 Secretary/Other: David B. Martucci, secretary/treasurer  
 Telephone: 1 207 363 4920 (Carl S. Gurtman)  
 E-mail: [cgurtman@maine.rr.com](mailto:cgurtman@maine.rr.com) (Carl S. Gurtman)  
 Website: <http://nejv.org>  
 Established: April 21, 1991  
 Member Since: July 29, 1999 (number 50)  
 Territory: United States: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont  
 Periodical Publication: *New England Journal of Vexillology* (English; semiannual; since 1995)
- 31) New Zealand Flag Association (NZFA)**  
 c/o John Moody  
 244 Williams Street  
 KAIAPOI 7630, Canterbury  
 NEW ZEALAND  
 Type: association  
 President/Other: John Moody, chairman  
 Secretary/Other: Dianne Gray, acting secretary  
 Telephone: 64 3 327 8060 (John Moody)  
 E-mail: [johnmoody431@hotmail.com](mailto:johnmoody431@hotmail.com) (John Moody)  
 Website: none  
 Established: January 16, 1994  
 Member Since: July 3, 1995 (number 39)  
 Territory: New Zealand  
 Periodical Publication: *Masthead* (ISSN 1173-1850; English; since 1994)  
 Notes: changed name on June 2, 1999 from The Flag Association of New Zealand / Te Roopu Haki Matua o Aotearoa (FANZ)

- 32) **日本旗章学協会 (JAVA)**  
**Nihon Kishōgaku Kyōkai (JAVA)**  
 Japanese Vexillological Association  
 c/o Nozomi Kariyasu  
 Tsukushino 4-19-7  
 Machida-shi  
 TŌKYŌ 194-0001  
 JAPAN  
 Type: association  
 President/Other: Nozomi Kariyasu, president  
 Secretary/Other: Yoshinori Koshikawa, secretary-general  
 Telephone: 81 42 799 1529 (Nozomi Kariyasu)  
 E-mail: melnk@s04.itscom.net (Nozomi Kariyasu)  
 Website: <http://j-flags-java.jimdo.com/>  
 Established: January 1, 2000  
 Member Since: July 23, 2001 (number 52)  
 Territory: Japan  
 Periodical Publication: none
- 33) **Nordisk Flagselskap (NF)**  
**Nordisk Flagselskab**  
**Nordiska Flagsällskapet**  
**Norræna Fánafélagið**  
**Pohjoismaiden Lippuseura**  
 no mailing address  
 Type: association  
 President/Other: Peter Østerbye, president  
 Secretary/Other: Ulla Petrell, secretary  
 Telephone: 45 72 21 72 07 (Peter Østerbye)  
 E-mail: formand@nordicflagsociety.org  
 Website: <http://www.nordicflagsociety.org>  
 Established: January 27, 1973  
 Member Since: September 14, 1973 (number 15)  
 Territory: Denmark, Finland, Iceland, Norway, and Sweden  
 Periodical Publications: *Nordisk Flaggkontakt* (ISSN 0109-7539; multilingual; semiannual; since 1984; variant title is *Nordisk Flagkontakt*)  
*Nordisk Flagskrift* (ISSN 0108-7916; Danish; irregular; 1975 to 1991)  
 Notes: Nordisk Flagselskap (Norwegian), Nordisk Flagselskab (Danish), Nordiska Flagsällskapet (Swedish), Norræna Fánafélagið (Icelandic), and Pohjoismaiden Lippuseura (Finnish)

**34) North American Vexillological Association-Association nord-américaine de vexillologie (NAVA)**

Post Office Box 55071 #58049

BOSTON MA 02205-5071

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Type: association

President/Other: Peter A. Ansoff, president

Secretary/Other: Edward B. Kaye, secretary

Telephone: 1 703 941 0494 (Peter A. Ansoff)

E-mail: pres@nava.org

Website: <http://www.nava.org>

Established: June 3, 1967 (organized), March 19, 1968 (legal registration)

Member Since: September 7, 1969 (charter)

Territory: Canada and United States

Periodical Publications: *Vexillum* (ISSN pending; English; quarterly; since 2018)

*Raven: A Journal of Vexillology* (ISSN 1071-0043 (print) and ISSN 2376-8592 (online); English; annual; since 1994)

*Flag Research Quarterly* (ISSN 2334-4407 (print) and ISSN 2474-1884 (online)); English; quarterly; 2013 to 2017)

*NAVA News* (ISSN 1053-3338 (print) and ISSN 2372-1332 (online); English; quarterly; 1967 to 2017)

*NAVA Yearbook* (English; annual 1973 to 1983)

*NAVA Handbook* (English; 1986 and 1989)

Notes: changed name from North American Vexillological Association on October 7, 2012

**35) Partioheraldikot r.y. (PH)**

Jarmo Heinonen

Klovinrinne 5

21280 ESPOO

FINLAND

Type: association

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Secretary/Other: ?

Telephone: 358 40 536 1437

E-mail: jarmo.heinonen@laurea.fi

Website: <http://heraldikot.partio.net>

Established: November 22, 1972

Member Since: May 28, 1985 (number 24)

Territory: Finland

Periodical Publication: *Liehuvat Värit* (ISSN 0357-1432; Finnish)

Notes: previously known by abbreviation PR

**36) Polskie Towarzystwo Weksylologiczne (PTW)**

ul. Raclawicka 103

02-634 WARSZAWA

POLAND

Type: association

President/Other: Krzysztof Jasieński, president

Secretary/Other: Wojciech Szczerba, secretary

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Website: <http://www.weksylogia.pl>

Established: October 10, 1992

Member Since: July 3, 1995 (number 40)

Territory: Poland

Periodical Publication: *Flaga* (ISSN 1509-2429; Polish; quarterly; since 1999, revived 2014)

- 37) The Portland Flag Association (PFA)**  
 c/o Max Liberman  
 7290 S.W. Ashdale Dr.  
 PORTLAND Oregon 97223-9385  
 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
 Type: association  
 President/Other: Max Liberman, FIAV representative  
 Secretary/Other: Edward B. Kaye, newsletter editor  
 Telephone: 1 503 452 0101 (Max Liberman)  
 E-mail: info@portlandflag.org  
 Website: <http://www.portlandflag.org>  
 Established: March ? 1995  
 Member Since: August 6, 2013 (number 69)  
 Territory: United States: Portland, Oregon  
 Periodical Publication: *The Vexilloid Tabloid* (ISSN ?; English; bi-monthly; since 1999)  
 Notes: changed name on January ?, 2001 from Portland Flag Group (PFG);  
 no formal leadership structure
- 38) Русский центр флаговедения и геральдики (RCVH)  
 Russian Centre of Vexillology and Heraldry**  
 P.O. Box 20  
 413111 ENGELS  
 Saratov Oblast  
 RUSSIAN FEDERATION  
 Type: institution  
 President/Other: Victor Lomantsov, co-chairman  
 Secretary/Other: Serge Bubnov, secretary  
 Telephone: ?  
 E-mail: flagoved@russovex.org  
 Website: <http://www.vexillographia.ru/>  
 Established: September 11, 1975  
 Member Since: July 28, 2003 (number 59)  
 Territory: Russia  
 Periodical Publications: *The Flag* (Russian; 1976 to 1977; Russian and English since 2003)  
 Notes: changed name on September 11, 1991 from Volga Vexillology Club  
 (VVC)
- 39) Schweizerische Gesellschaft für Fahnen- und Flaggenkunde (SSV)  
 Société Suisse de Vexillologie  
 Società Svizzera di Vessillologia**  
 c/o Emil Dreyer  
 Flurweg 43  
 3052 ZOLLIKOFEN  
 SWITZERLAND  
 Type: association  
 President/Other: Emil Dreyer, president  
 Secretary/Other: Harald Müller, secretary  
 Telephone: 41 31 911 60 18 (Emil Dreyer)  
 E-mail: info@vexilla.ch  
 Website: <http://www.vexilla.ch>  
 Established: January 21, 1967  
 Member Since: September 7, 1969 (charter)  
 Territory: Switzerland  
 Periodical Publication: *Vexilla Helvetica* (German and French; since 1969)

- 40) Sociedad Española de Vexilología (SEV)**  
 Carretera de Loeches, 13-D, 4º-C  
 28850 TORREJÓN DE ARDOZ (Madrid)  
 SPAIN  
 Type: association  
 President/Other: José Carlos Alegría Díaz, president  
 Secretary/Other: José Manuel Erbez Rodríguez, secretary  
 Telephone: 34 985 332 411 (José Carlos Alegría Díaz)  
 E-mail: info@vexilologia.org  
 Website: <http://www.vexilologia.org>  
 Established: October 31, 1977  
 Member Since: June 29, 1979 (number 19)  
 Territory: Spain  
 Periodical Publications: *Banderas* (ISSN 0213-0955; Spanish; quarterly; since 1979)  
*Gaceta de Banderas* (Spanish/French/English; eight times a year; since 1992 (in collaboration with Centre Belgo-Européen d'Études des Drapeaux))
- 41) Societas Vexillologica Belgica (SVB)**  
 c/o Roger Baert  
 Place du Chant de l'Alouette, 8  
 1080 MOLENBEEK-SAINT-JEAN (BRUXELLES)  
 BELGIUM  
 Type: association  
 President/Other: Roger Baert, president  
 Secretary/Other: ?  
 Telephone: ?  
 E-mail: roger.baert.svb@skynet.be (Roger Baert)  
 Website: none  
 Established: August 30, 1977  
 Member Since: June 29, 1979 (number 20)  
 Territory: Belgium  
 Periodical Publications: *Vexilla Belgica* (ISSN 0772-3261; multilingual; annual; 1977 to 1993)  
*Vexillinfo* (ISSN 0772-3253; multilingual; irregular; 1980 to 1990)
- 42) Societatea de Genealogie, Heraldică și Arhivistică "Paul Gore" (SGHAPG)**  
 c/o Silviu Andrieș-Tabac  
 Of. p. 68, C. p. 2161  
 MD-2068 CHIȘINĂU  
 MOLDOVA  
 Type: association  
 President/Other: Silviu Andrieș-Tabac, chairman  
 Secretary/Other: Silvia Corlateanu, secretary  
 Telephone: 373 22 44 31 69 (Silviu Andrieș-Tabac)  
 E-mail: silviu\_tabac@yahoo.fr (Silviu Andrieș-Tabac)  
 Website: none  
 Established: October 22, 1997  
 Member Since: July 23, 2001 (number 55)  
 Territory: Moldova  
 Periodical Publication: none  
 Notes: originally admitted as an Associate Member; became voting Member July 23, 2001

- 43) Société française de vexillologie (SFV)**  
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 75008 PARIS  
 FRANCE  
 Type: association  
 President/Other: Cédric de Fougerolle, president  
 Secretary/Other: Pierre-Henri Schecter, secretary-general - treasurer  
 Telephone: 33 01 81 69 87 50 (Cédric de Fougerolle)  
 E-mail: president@drapeaux-sfv.org  
 Website: <http://www.drapeaux-sfv.org>  
 Established: March 16, 1985  
 Member Since: July 1, 1991 (number 27)  
 Territory: France  
 Periodical Publications: *Drapeaux & Pavilons* (ISSN 0769-7864; French; quarterly; since 2018)  
*Franciae Vexilla* (ISSN 1270-0096; French; quarterly; 1996 to 2018)  
*Emblèmes et pavillons* (ISSN 0769-7864; French; quarterly 1985 to 1996)  
*Annuaire de la Société française de vexillologie* (ISSN 0981-2180; French; 1986, 1991,
- 44) Southern African Vexillological Association (SAVA)**  
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 PINEGOWRIE  
 2123  
 SOUTH AFRICA  
 Type: association  
 President/Other: Peter Whitehead, chairman  
 Secretary/Other: Bruce B. Berry, secretary/treasurer  
 Telephone: 27 82 909 5829 (Bruce B. Berry)  
 E-mail: info@savaflags.org.za  
 Website: <http://www.savaflags.org.za>  
 Established: November 26, 1990  
 Member Since: July 2, 1991 (number 28)  
 Territory: Angola, Botswana, Lesotho, Madagascar, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, South Africa, Swaziland, Zambia, and Zimbabwe  
 Periodical Publications: *SAVA Newsletter* (no ISSN; English; tri-annually since 1991)  
*SAVA Journal* (no ISSN; English; irregular; since 1992)
- 45) საქართველოს პარლამენტთან არსებული ჰერდიკის სახელმწიფო საბჭო (SCHG)**  
**The State Council of Heraldry at the Parliament of Georgia**  
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 GEORGIA  
 Type: institution  
 President/Other: Eldar Shengelaia, chairman  
 Secretary/Other: Mamuka Gongadze, deputy chairman  
 Telephone: 995 32 293 20 97  
 E-mail: georgianheraldry@gmail.com and info@heraldika.ge  
 Website: <http://www.heraldika.ge>  
 Established: February 29, 2008  
 Member Since: August 2, 2011 (number 65)  
 Territory: Georgia  
 Periodical Publication: *Heroldi* (Georgian; annual; since 2012)

**46) Stichting Vlaggenparade Rotterdam (SVPR)**

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3015 ED ROTTERDAM  
THE NETHERLANDS

Type: institution  
President/Other: C.W. Vrijdag, chairman  
Secretary/Other: Jos van de Sandt, secretary  
Telephone: 31 6 467 480 63  
E-mail: [info@vlaggenparade.nl](mailto:info@vlaggenparade.nl)  
Website: <http://www.vlaggenparade.nl>  
Established: June 6, 1997  
Member Since: August 2, 2011 (number 66)  
Territory: The Netherlands  
Periodical Publications: *Vlaggenlijn* (Dutch; 1998 to 2008) (in collaboration with Stichting Vlaggenmuseum Nederland)  
*Vlag!* (ISSN 1877-167X; Dutch; tri-annually; 2008 to 2018 (in collaboration with Nederlandse Vereniging voor Vlaggenkunde and Stichting Vlaggenparade Rotterdam))  
Notes: changed name on November 26, 2007 as successor (with Stichting Vlaggenmuseum Nederland) to Stichting Vlaggenmuseum Rotterdam (SVR)

**47) Středisko vexilologických informací (SVI)**

**Flag Data Centre**

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CZECH REPUBLIC (CZECHIA)

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Secretary/Other: Jaroslav Martykán  
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Website: <http://www.vexi.info>  
Established: March 1994  
Member Since: July 28, 2003 (number 60)  
Territory: Czech Republic  
Periodical Publications: *Vexilokontakt* (Czech; irregular; since 1989 (in collaboration with Česká vexilologická společnost o. s.))  
*vexil.info* (Czech with English summary; bi-monthly; since 1994; changed name in January 2005 from *vexiINFO*)  
*Vexilologický lexikon* (Czech; semi-annual; annual since 1996)



- 48) Українське Геральдичне Товариство (UHT)  
Ukrayins'ke Heral'dychne Tovarystvo  
The Ukrainian Heraldry Society**  
c/o Andriy Grechylo  
P.O. Box 1569  
79013 L'VIV  
UKRAINE
- Type: association  
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 Vice-President: Ivan Svarnyk, vice-president; Serhiy Lysenko, vice-president  
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- Secretary/Other: none  
 E-mail: uht1990@gmail.com (Andriy Grechylo)  
 Website: <http://uht.org.ua>  
 Established: July 9, 1990 (organized); December 7, 1993 (legal registration)  
 Member Since: July 3, 1995 (number 41)  
 Territory: Ukraine  
 Periodical Publications: *Знак (Znak)* (in English *The Sign*) (ISSN 1998-1651; Ukrainian; since 1993)  
*Генеалогічні записки УГТ* (in English *Genealogical Notes of the UHT*) (ISBN 978-966-02-4713-0; Ukrainian; since 2000)
- Notes: originally admitted as an Associate Member; became Full Member later same day
- 49) Vexillological Association of the State of Texas (VAST)**  
c/o Charles A. Spain  
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HOUSTON TX 77006-5018  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
- Type: association  
 President/Other: Hugh L. Brady, president  
 Secretary/Other: Charles A. Spain, secretary/treasurer  
 Telephone: 1 713 529 2545 (Charles A. Spain)  
 E-mail: info@texflags.org  
 Website: <http://www.texflags.org>  
 Established: February 16, 1991 (organized); March 8, 2000 (legal registration)  
 Member Since: July 23, 2001 (number 57)  
 Territory: United States: Texas  
 Periodical Publication: *The National Standard* (ISSN 2165-0101 (print) and ISSN 2165-011X (online); English; semi-annual; since 2012; continuing *VAST News* (ISSN 1531-1783; English; irregular; since 2001))

50) **中国旗帜学研究中心 (VRCC)**

**Vexillological Research Center of China**

Xinfeng Flag Center

31 Haoyuan

Haihuxili

Fengtai District

BEIJING

PEOPLES REPUBLIC OF CHINA

Type: association

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Secretary/Other: Liu Jin

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Website: [www.vrcc.org.cn](http://www.vrcc.org.cn)

Established: March 23, 2019

Member Since: July 16, 2019 (number 74)

Territory: China

Periodical Publications: none

51) **World Vexillological Research Institute (WVRI)**

c/o Roman Klimeš

Sklenká 35

198 00 PRAHA 9

CZECH REPUBLIC (CZECHIA)

Type: institution

President/Other: Roman Klimeš, executive director

Secretary/Other: Kay Kopeck, executive board member

Telephone: 420 281 86 05 48 (Roman Klimeš)

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Website: none

Established: November 30, 1992

Member Since: August 23, 1993 (number 34)

Territory: Germany

Periodical Publication: *Flaggen, Wappen und Siegel* (ISSN 0948-3748; German; since 1986 (since 1992 as publication of the WVRI))

## CONSTITUTION OF FIAV

The FIAV provisional council adopted provisional statutes on September 3, 1967. The FIAV statutes were formally adopted on September 7, 1969 and amended on September 29, 1983. The statutes were replaced by the current FIAV Constitution, which was adopted on September 27, 1989. The Constitution has been amended on August 12, 1997, July 29, 1999, July 23, 2001, August 7, 2007, July 14, 2009, and August 8, 2017.

## CONSTITUTION OF THE FÉDÉRATION INTERNATIONALE DES ASSOCIATIONS VEXILLOLOGIQUES

### I. NAME AND PURPOSES

Art. 1 The name of this association is the Fédération internationale des associations vexillologiques, which is abbreviated as "FIAV."

Art. 2 FIAV unites those associations and institutions throughout the world whose object is the pursuit of vexillology, which is the creation and development of a body of knowledge about flags of all types, their forms and functions, and of scientific theories and principles based on that knowledge.

Art. 3 FIAV has as its purposes:

- (a) To create a strong bond among those associations and institutions and to encourage and coordinate their work, studies, and research;
- (b) to promote the organization of International Congresses of Vexillology and to lend its support to their organizers;
- (c) to encourage the creation in all countries of associations and institutions dedicated to vexillology; and
- (d) to recognize international standards facilitating the development of these activities.

Art. 4 FIAV, being strictly scientific, has no commercial ends and renounces any political or religious activity or stand.

## II. HEADQUARTERS

Art. 5 The administrative headquarters of FIAV are located at the residences of its two Secretaries-General. If necessary, the General Assembly may establish a legal headquarters for FIAV.

## III. MEMBERSHIP

Art. 6 An applicant for membership in FIAV:

- (a) must be an organization of the type expressed in article 2;
- (b) must be committed to the purposes of FIAV expressed in article 3; and
- (c) must be constituted in conformity with the laws of the country where it is located.

Art. 7 (a) Membership in FIAV is open to any association or institution anywhere in the world having as a substantial purpose the scientific study of Vexillology.

(b) The processing of membership applications is the responsibility of the Board. The procedure consists of the following:

- (1) The applicant shall submit a membership application, which must be received by the Board no later than six months before the convening of the next session of the General Assembly.
- (2) The Board shall consider the application and inform the applicant and Members of its recommendation not later than one month before the convening of the next session of the General Assembly.
- (3) The Board may recommend acceptance of the applicant as a Member, recommend rejection of the applicant, or make no recommendation.
- (4) The General Assembly at its next session shall vote on the application. An authorized representative of the applicant must appear at the session to present its case. Unless excused by the General Assembly, the representative must serve an active role in conducting the applicant's affairs. If the applicant is an association, then the representative must also be a member of the association. A rejected applicant has the right to reapply for membership at any later session of the General Assembly.

(c) The Board and the General Assembly, in making their decisions about an applicant, shall have regard to the following:

- (1) the existence of a written constitution and its provisions;
- (2) the vexillological and non-vexillological activities of the applicant, including meetings, publications, and international relations;
- (3) in the case of an association, the number of its active members (minimum of five);
- (4) registration of its members or representatives in International Congresses of Vexillology; and
- (5) the length of time it has existed.

- Art. 8
- (a) A Member voluntarily resigns if it does not send a delegate to three consecutive regular sessions of the General Assembly. The resignation is effective at the adjournment of the third consecutive regular session.
  - (b) A Member may voluntarily resign by writing to the President. The resignation is effective on the date of its receipt.
  - (c) FIAV cannot reject a Member's voluntary resignation.

Art. 9 At its discretion, the Board may require a Member to furnish evidence of its continued qualification for membership under the terms set forth in article 7 or to provide a written response to a potential violation of article 11. On the basis of this evidence, the Board may make a recommendation to the General Assembly on the continuation of the membership of the association or institution. If the recommendation is made to remove a Member from FIAV, the Member in question shall be notified at least three months before the convening of the next regular session of the General Assembly. The Member shall be invited to present its defense before the General Assembly and may participate in the vote on the matter.

Art. 10 Each Member regulates its own affairs in complete freedom, limited only by this Constitution and the laws in effect in the territory where it functions. FIAV may not otherwise limit the rights of Members in this respect.

Art. 11 Members shall not undertake any activities contrary to the interests of FIAV.

- Art. 12
- (a) FIAV may not act on behalf of its Members without their authorization expressed in the General Assembly. Members may not make commitments nor act on behalf of FIAV.
  - (b) Members may not hold international vexillological meetings outside of International Congresses of Vexillology. Notwithstanding this prohibition, a Member holding a vexillological meeting in any year in which no International Congress of Vexillology is held may invite participation by a Member from a contiguous country.

- Art. 13
- (a) The General Assembly may name as "Laureates of the Federation" persons who have made outstanding, original contributions to the science of vexillology. The General Assembly may delegate this power to the Board.
  - (b) The General Assembly may name as "Fellows of the Federation" persons who have made significant contributions to vexillology and/or rendered significant service to FIAV or a FIAV Member. The General Assembly may delegate this power to the Board.
  - (c) Except as provided in article 19(d), Laureates and Fellows have no special rights in the General Assembly.

#### IV. THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY

- Art. 14
- (a) The General Assembly is composed of the Officers together with a delegate from each of the Members. Each delegate shall present to the President written credentials from the Member represented. A Member may delegate any or all of its powers in writing to a delegate from any other Member or to an Officer.
  - (b) A session of the General Assembly is not constituted unless delegates of at least half of the Members are present.
  - (c) Each Member and each Officer is entitled to one vote in the General Assembly.

Art. 15 Majorities in the General Assembly consist of the following fractions of those Members and Officers present:

- (a) A simple majority in the election of Officers or to excuse the absence of an Officer under article 19(d). If more than two candidates stand for election for an Office and no candidate receives a simple majority, then the candidate with the least votes shall be eliminated from the next ballot, and so on.
- (b) A simple majority for a motion to amend a motion under consideration, to proceed to the next item of business on the agenda, to defer consideration of a motion, to refer a motion to a Commission, to appeal a ruling of the chair, for a record vote, or to adjourn a session of the General Assembly.
- (c) Two-thirds for all other motions.
- (d) Three-quarters for amendments to the Constitution or dissolution of FIAV.

Art. 16 The General Assembly:

- (a) elects Officers;
- (b) examines and approves the administration of the Board and the Commissions;
- (c) examines all questions concerning FIAV and in particular the organization of the International Congresses of Vexillology;
- (d) interprets the Constitution;
- (e) names Laureates and Fellows of the Federation pursuant to article 13 and awards such other distinctions as it deems appropriate to persons or institutions who have shown particular merit in the field of vexillology (this power may be delegated to the Board); and
- (f) establishes such Commissions as it deems necessary and appoints Commissioners.

Art. 17 The General Assembly holds a regular session every two years during each International Congress of Vexillology. If extraordinary circumstances exist, a special session may be called with the notice specified in article 18 by either the Board or upon written request to the President by at least two-thirds of the Members.

Art. 18 The Board convenes a session of the General Assembly. The Board shall give notice of

- (1) the date, time, and location of the session and
- (2) the agenda, including any membership applications, amendments to the Constitution, or a motion to dissolve FIAV, to all Members, at least three months before the convening of the next session.

## V. ADMINISTRATION

- Art. 19
- (a) The administration of FIAV is entrusted to a Board which acts only by unanimous agreement. The Board is composed of three Officers: the President, the Secretary-General, and the Secretary-General for Congresses.
  - (b) The Officers serve a term that commences after the final adjournment of the session of the General Assembly at which they are elected and ends at the final adjournment of the next session at which Officers are elected. The election of Officers shall be on the agenda of each regular session. Consent of the candidates for election is required. The Officers are eligible for re-election.
  - (c) The Secretary-General and the Secretary-General for Congresses must reside on different continents. The Secretary-General manages the Permanent Secretariat of FIAV and the Secretary-General for Congresses manages the Permanent Secretariat of the International Congresses of Vexillology. The Board is considered to be in continuous session, conducted by correspondence.
  - (d) A vacancy on the Board occurs if an Officer dies, resigns, or lacks mental capacity under the laws where the Officer resides. Absence of an Officer at a session of the General Assembly creates a vacancy on the Board unless excused by the General Assembly. The resignation of an Officer must be received in writing by another Officer, or if no Officer remains, then by the organizer of the next International Congress of Vexillology. The resignation is effective on the date of its receipt. If a vacancy occurs, the position shall remain vacant and the duties of that Officer shall be performed by the remaining Officers. If no Officer remains to perform the duties of the Board, then the organizer of the next International Congress of Vexillology shall select an interim Secretary General from among the Fellows of the Federation, if available, who shall have the limited authority to take those acts necessary to convene a session of the General Assembly pursuant to article 18 and preside until the General Assembly elects a presiding officer for the remainder of the session. Neither the interim Secretary-General nor the presiding officer serving under this article shall be considered as a voting Officer under articles 14 and 15.

Art. 20 The Board:

- (a) manages the current affairs of FIAV and establishes the duties and obligations of its Officers;
- (b) issues directives which it considers necessary to the success of the activities of FIAV, including the International Congresses of Vexillology;
- (c) establishes such Commissions as it deems necessary and appoints Commissioners;
- (d) convenes sessions of the General Assembly pursuant to article 18;
- (e) represents FIAV in its relations with other national and international institutions; and
- (f) manages membership procedures pursuant to article 7 and encourages vexillological associations and institutions to apply for FIAV membership.

Art. 21 FIAV's assent to an agreement imposing a binding obligation on FIAV may only be given by a written document signed by all Officers. Current correspondence may be signed by any single Officer.

## VI. LANGUAGES

Art. 22 The General Assembly may designate languages for use in FIAV and the International Congresses of Vexillology, taking into consideration the global nature of vexillology and the related practical and economic concerns, but may not require a delegate, applicant, Officer, or Congress attendee to use any specific language.

## VII. PUBLICATIONS

- Art. 23
- (a) FIAV shall publish a newsletter concerning its activities at least once a year for the benefit of its Members, which may be freely reproduced. The General Assembly may initiate or authorize other publications.
  - (b) The Proceedings of the International Congresses of Vexillology shall be published by the Congress organizer(s). Beginning with the Twenty-Ninth International Congress of Vexillology, Congress organizers shall grant a license to FIAV to provide an online version of the Proceedings.

## VIII. SYMBOLS

- Art. 24
- (a) FIAV's flag is described as follows: "On a blue field, extending horizontally from hoist to fly, two yellow halyards forming two interlaced loops." The color blue is defined as Pantone Matching System U293 and the color yellow is defined as Pantone Matching System U123.

The flag is illustrated as follows:



- (b) The General Assembly may adopt Officer flags and other symbols for FIAV.

## IX. DISSOLUTION

- Art. 25
- (a) The General Assembly may dissolve FIAV and establish the terms of the dissolution.
  - (b) If the General Assembly does not hold a session at which a quorum is present within six years from the final adjournment of the last session at which a quorum was present, then FIAV is dissolved.

Adopted September 27, 1989 by the Eleventh Session of the General Assembly held during the Thirteenth International Congress of Vexillology at Ballarat, Victoria, Australia.

Amended August 12, 1997 (article 14(a)) by the Fifteenth Session of the General Assembly held during the Seventeenth International Congress of Vexillology at Cape Town, Western Cape, South Africa.

Amended July 29, 1999 (adding new article 1 and renumbering and amending remaining articles) by the Sixteenth Session of the General Assembly held during the Eighteenth International Congress of Vexillology at Victoria, British Columbia, Canada.

Amended July 23, 2001 (eliminating the distinction between Full and Associate Members and amending articles 15 and 23) by the Seventeenth Session of the General Assembly held during the Nineteenth International Congress of Vexillology at York, England, United Kingdom.

Amended August 7, 2007 (articles 19(d) and 24) by the Twentieth Session of the General Assembly held during the Twenty-Second International Congress of Vexillology at Berlin, Germany.

Amended July 14, 2009 (article 8) by the Twenty-First Session of the General Assembly held during the Twenty-Third International Congress of Vexillology at Yokohama, Japan. **Note:** The first General Assembly session to which article 8 applied was the Twenty-Second Session in 2011. The first resignations under article 8(a) occurred at the adjournment of the Twenty-Fourth Session in 2015.

Amended August 8, 2017 (articles 1, 3(d), 7(b), (c), 8(a), 9, 10, 13, 14(a), (b), 15, 16(e), 17, 18, 19(b), (d), and 20(d), 22, 23(b), 24, and 25) by the Twenty-Fifth Session of the General Assembly held during the Twenty-Seventh International Congress at London, England, United Kingdom.

## IN MEMORIAM

FIAV notes with sorrow the deaths of the following vexillologists:

<b>Gerhard P. (Gary) Grahl</b> , NAVA, New York City, New York, USA	February 5, 2021
<b>Akira Kumagai</b> , JAVA, Japan	May 2021
<b>Dan (Dani) Biran</b> , Nes Ziona, Israel,	October 22, 2021
<b>Hank Gigandet</b> , CFA, Montreal, Quebec, Canada,	November 21, 2021
<b>Hiroyuki Innami</b> , JAVA, Japan,	December 2021
<b>Henry W. (Skip) Moeller</b> , NAVA, CFA, Long Island, New York,	December 26, 2021

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