Proposal to extend the mandate of C1

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Background

The Commission on Finance, denoted by C1, was established in 1931 to deal with the financial matters of IUPAP and to make appropriate recommendations to the General Assembly. C1 has two members, the President and the Past President, and its current mandate is defined by four articles as follows:

Article 1

To examine the auditor's report on the finances of the Union and to make appropriate recommendations to the General Assembly.

Article 2

To recommend to the General Assembly policy concerning dues, contracts and other

sources of income. To recommend action to the Executive Council in the case of arrears.

Article 3

To recommend to the General Assembly policy on the spending envelope of the Union and its distribution in the form of grants, traveling, administration, etc.

Article 4

To recommend to the Executive Council the external audit group to be retained to audit the financial records of the Union.

Current situation

In practice C1 has been an idle Commission in IUPAP because its stipulated functions are performed by others. We believe that IUPAP would benefit from a major revision of the mandate of C1 and would like to put forward the proposal, on the next page, for approval by the General Assembly.

Proposal regarding C1

Name: C1 Commission on Policy and Finance

The task of C1 is to give advice to the Executive Council and the General Assembly on issues related to policy and finance.

Mandate concerning policy

To follow actively ongoing work in IUPAP's Commissions and Working Groups.

To identify the need for changes or additions to goals and policy of the Union and to advise the Executive Council and the General Assembly on actions to be taken.

To advise on issues that might arise in the interactions of IUPAP with other entities such as UNESCO and ICSU.

To take part in planning of the meetings of the IUPAP Council and General Assembly.

To advise the Administration of the Union on the policies adopted by the Executive Council and the General Assembly.

Mandate concerning finance

To make recommendations to the Executive Council and the General Assembly on policy concerning dues, contracts and other sources of income. To recommend action to be taken in the case of arrears of dues.

To recommend to the General Assembly policy on expenditure so as to fulfill the aims of the Union.

To examine the auditor's reports and make recommendations to the General Assembly on the choice of the future external audit group.

Membership

President (Chair) Past President President Designate Secretary-General Associate Secretary-General