

Explanatory notes on the proposed amendments to the AIPPI Statutes

Category of the Proposed Amendment	Articles proposed	Overview/Further explanation
	General remarks	Incongruences, redundancies and unclear wording were amended
Wording and implementation alignment	5.1; 5.2; 5.3; 6.8; 7.4; 7.12; 8.5; 8.6; 11.7; 18.2	In the Statutes, the proposed amendment is to replace the “annual meeting” with “AIPPI World Congress” as a reflection of the well established and known use of the Association’s brand in organizing the Congresses every year.
Amendments for clarity in language and consistency of terms	2.1; 3.2; 3.3; 4.1; 4.3; 9.6	The proposed amendments are to underline the non-profit, non political and scientific and related objects (such as the collaboration with governmental and non-governmental organisations) of AIPPI. Membership shall remain open to persons residing in one country and the establishment of National Group shall be supported.
Amendments to move some Rules that exist in the Regulations of AIPPI, to the Statutes in order to comply with the organisational rules of the Association as a non-governmental organisation registered in Swiss Register of Commerce	9.2; 9.3; 9.4	The role of the Enlarged Bureau and of the Assistants to the Reporter General and to the Secretary General has been clarified and reflects the current status. Rules about vacancy were also clarified
	6.7; 6.8; 6.9; 6.10; 9.10; 9.11	General Assembly Requirements: These articles comprehensively outline the conditions and requirements, for convening a General Assembly . They are already addressed in the Regulations under Part E Administrative and Financial Matters, but thematically belong in the Statutes.
	7.2; 7.4; 9.10	Executive Committee Meetings: The proposed amendments address the conditions and requirements for Executive Committee’s the annual meeting(s) which thematically belong in the Statutes
	7.7 a and c	National Groups, this reflecting the actual rules
	9.5 - 9.9, 9.11	Bureau powers: The amendments propose a detailed and concise clarification of Bureau's powers and responsibilities, including the responsibilities of the Secretary General, Reporter General and the Treasurer General, reflecting the current status
	10.1	The positions of the president within the Bureau has been clarified
	15, 19	Compliance with organisational rules: The amendments proposed under “Audit and Finance” along with insertion of Article 19 under “Liability” are designed to ensure compliance with the organisational rules of the Association as an NGO registered with the Swiss Register of Commerce
	7.8	Amendment for alignment on the wording used in the Statutes

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Amendments to regularize the content in order to reflect the current implementation which has been well established and become the current practice	11	Statutory Committees: The definitions of the Statutory Committees have been updated to reflect their current responsibilities in response to the evolving needs of the Association and development of the General Secretariat's structure.
	18	Language used in plenary sessions: The proposed amendment to Article 18 regarding the use of languages reflects the existing practice over the past years where English has been the language used by the participants in plenary sessions.
Amendments to reflect the current position or to admit and identify the evolving needs of the Association	5.4	Association's Meetings: The proposed amendments address the meetings of the Association other than the World Congress, such as MidTerm Meeting
	12	Standing Committees: The Standing Committees were not specifically addressed in the Statutes. This article specifically recognizes Standing Committees.
	13	Initiative Committee is a new type of committee the Bureau proposes to be created in response to the advice of the Bureau Advisory Committees (BACs). Over recent years, it has become apparent that the roles and activities of the existing BACs (YAC, IHC and D&I) have evolved and grown beyond the original remit of a Bureau Advisory Committee. In collaboration with the current BACs, a new committee structure is proposed to undertake and continue the work of these BACs, thereby providing space and support for growth within the Association
	14	Other Committees: The reference to "Other Committees" in the proposed amendments is intended to allow for the formation and operation of Bureau Advisory Committees in its original function to advise the Bureau on specific matter where the Bureau seeks advice.
	16; 19	Liability of AIPPI and limitation of liability of the members and of the Bureau is now expressly stated. This rule complies with the applicable law. Independent auditors are called to verify the annual accounts of AIPPI.