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The 2005 Annual Report

Financial operations

The financial operations of IASI during the working period of 1 March 2004 – 28 February 2005 were audited on 14 April 2005 by the Auditors Ms. Vappu Kiiski from the LIKES Research Center and Ms. Mirja Laitinen from the Jyväskylä University Library (see the report of the Auditors). According to the reports “IASI Financial Balance on 28 February 2005” and “IASI Budget Plan: Guidelines for 2005”, approx. 18.000 USD is available for the planning of the next working period from 1 March 2005 on.

The two bank accounts in the Netherlands were finally closed in August 2004, thanks to Mr. Albert Remans, the former Secretary Treasurer who took care of it.

The membership renewal invoices for 2005 (142 institutional and 44 personal) were mailed in November 2004.

Membership Register

The membership list was edited in June 2004 and published on the website. The most current list of the members, which you may find on the website, is from March 2005. Also a list of potential members was edited in May 2004 for the distribution of the IASI members survey.

A membership register update form was again attached to the membership renewal invoices in order to get all the missing and changed contact information of the members.

There are 66 institutional, one sponsored institutional, 3 patron institutional, and 14 personal paid members (period 1.1.2004 – 31.3.2005) as well as 12 honorary members in IASI.

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Financial operations

The IASI bank accounts were not opened in Jyväskylä until in September 2002. Due to the delay, the former IASI Secretary Treasurer Mr. Albert Remans took care of the IASI financial matters and bookkeeping during the fiscal year 2001 (period 12.03.2001 – 19.02.2002). The Belgian IASI bank account was closed in June 2002 and the two Dutch accounts in August 2004.

At the General Assembly of IASI in April 2001, in Lausanne, Mr. Werner Sonnenschein and Mr. Hans Fleischer from the Federal Institute of Sport Science (BISp) were appointed as the IASI

Auditors for the period 2001-2005. After the withdrawal of Mr. Werner Sonnenschein, Mr. Dr. Georg Anders was nominated as his successor. Mr. Dr. Georg Anders and Mr. Hans Fleischer performed the auditing of the fiscal year 2001. After their withdrawal Ms. Vappu Kiiski from the LIKES Research Center and Ms. Mirja Laitinen from the Jyväskylä University Library were nominated as the new Auditors of IASI for the period 2002-2005. Each financial year the Auditors audited the financial operations of the association (see the Auditors' report for the period 2001-2005).

The financial balance of IASI showed each year a positive carry over. The reserve fund of 20.000 USD was guaranteed (see the table below).

The Annual Financial Balance and Carry over in the period 2001-2005:

	ExCo 2001 Lausanne	ExCo 2002 Barcelona	ExCo 2003 Havana	ExCo 2004 Lisbon	ExCo 2005 Beijing
Financial Balance	53.264,84	59.009,56	62.169,96	61.634,41	56.105,11
Carry over of previous years	28,570,66	34.506,56	35.169,96	41.634,41	36.105,11
Reserve fund	20.000,00	20.000,00	20.000,00	20.000,00	20.000,00

Memberships

The MS Access based software produced in INSEP for the World Directory of Sports Information Centres and Experts was received and modified for the IASI membership register in autumn 2002. Membership invoices, editing of membership lists and statistics on memberships have been managed by the database since then.

The membership list was edited and published on the website in November 2002, August 2003, June 2004 and March 2005. Additional lists were also produced for the IASI Managerial Group as well as for regional use.

Evolution of memberships and number of countries involved between the General Assembly in Lausanne 2001 and in Beijing 2005:

	Number of Countries	Number of Members	Institutional Members	Personal Members	Honorary Members
Lausanne 2001	74	190	134	46	10
Peking 2005	38	96	70	14	12

The number of IASI memberships and number of countries involved decreased over 50 % in the course of the last four years. One reason for the decreasing seems to be the structural changes and diminished resources in the field of sports information in many countries (see the table above).

Major tasks for the period 2005-2009

- Converting the bookkeeping to a machine-readable form.
- Finding better bank rate for the IASI reserve fund
- Minimising the very high bank charges, e.g. by studying again the possibility of credit card payments

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