

## Report on Visit to Paris for the Intermediary Meetings from 09-01-2017 to 13-01-2017

**Attended by** Mr R.Srinivasan, President  
Mr. B.K.Mishra, Chairman ANBCC  
representing ANB and ANBCC  
Mr. Sapan Ghosal, attended the IAB  
Meeting on his own as an assessor.

The following meetings were represented by IIW India

Commission XIV,, WGRA, Regional Group Meeting, AAA, Group Meeting, IAB-A, IAB-B and IAB Board Meetings, Separate meeting with IAB team for the issues.

### **Commission XIV**

The commission XIV meeting was focussed on the welding education system adopted by various countries on simulators and robotics were dealt in details. The members presented the appreciable progress made by Chinese, New Zealand, Canada and few other European countries.

Mr. Srinivasan informed the members present about the successful completion of the Audit of QCI for the IIW India Education program and the award of ISO 17024.

The Chinese welding society presented the details of the forthcoming Arc Cup competition. The organizers has requested the countries to depute the judges for the same. The judges who will be travelling to China will be given with complimentary accommodations only. All other expenses are to be borne by the individuals.

Lot of emphasis was given for Distance learning and digital learning.

### **WGRA meeting**

In the WGRA meeting Mr. R. Srinivasan presented the IC 2017 and requested for maximum participation from the countries. He has requested the IIW secretariat to up load the first call brochure in the website. They have agreed to provide a link to the site.

We also projected the Golden Jubilee celebrations and the events that unfolded during the year 2016. This was very well appreciated and lot of interactions took place on the seminars organized by for National welding capability program conducted by the country.

### **AAA Meeting**

In this meeting the main discussion was the new IIW

Certification program for the Inspectors were discussed. It was decided to further work on this topic and the final document and the procedure will be finalized at Shanghai in June 2017.

### **Young Engineers program meeting**

This was attended by R. Srinivasan. He discussed and sought the permission to organize the Young Professional Conference as a parallel program during the IC 2017. It was agreed by the participants and we can organize the same. IIW International expressed that they will support for the event. Mr Chee Peng Chairman of this group has confirmed that he will attend the event.

### **Meeting with CEO - Cecile Mayer**

The annual Assembly for the year 2018 was fixed at Istanbul. But due to the prevailing uncertain condition sat Turkey there is a possibility of the event being shifted out of Turkey. Mrs Cecile requested weather is there any possibility to shift to India if IIW India agreed. I had requested her to send an official communication IIW India for to consider the request. I personally feel this is a great opportunity

Mr. R. Srinivasan also discussed with about the new taxation rules of Govt of India on the payments made to IIW Intl. She has requested me to send the complete details for her to check up at her end. She also confirmed that there is an arrangement made with Springer who publishes the welding In the world in the similar issues. Suggest the Finance director prepare a detailed case and submit to IIW secretariat.

### **IAB meetings.**

Mr B. K. Mishra has submitted a detailed report on the IAB and the same is to be included

The taxation issues were discussed and it was noted that there exists a treaty between India and Portugal. And we need to study the same and work in the direction.

### **Conclusion**

Overall we had good meetings and we were able to put our points and views to all the areas where it is to be addressed. President Mr. Gary Marcuez during the Gala Dinner informed the active Role IIW India is playing and he again emphasized that IIW India take a lead role in developing the SAARC countries and the neighbouring countries.