## The International Office du Coin de Terre et des Jardins familiaux delegates met in Luxembourg

On March 4th and 5th 2016 the national delegates met in Luxembourg for their annual statutory general assembly.

The delegates expressed their pleasure after the affiliation of the Japanese allotment gardeners as full members of the Office and they welcomed them once more very heartily.

After the Polish and Slovakian federations left the Office in violation of the statutes, the delegates discussed the thematic and financial orientations of the future.

With great pleasure they acknowledged that the Luxembourgish resort minister will consider with favor the Office's demand to increase in this difficult moment the yearly financial support in order to so facilitate the Office's activities for its members in the future and thanked him very much.



The delegates discussed on how to continue the cooperation with the European Union. To this effect they received a historical overview and got the last information on the ongoing discussions.

Two demands for diplomas were submitted. The diplomas will be granted at the occasion of the international congress in Vienna.

Besides the statutory tasks, the report and discussions on positive or negative national events a very interesting discussion concerning the subject: "Allotment gardens and Community gardens, a challenge to meet" took place. The introduction was made by Christine Aubry, Jeanne Pourias and Raoul Puente Asuero, scientists taking part in the Cost Action: Urban allotments in Europe. Their introduction was based on a PowerPoint presentation joined as appendix.

The delegates will meet again in Vienna on 17th August. Afterwards the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Office and the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Austrian federation will be celebrated.

The next statutory general assembly will take place in Luxembourg on March 3rd and 4th 2017. At that occasion the election of the executive board members for a new mandate of four years will take place.

The candidatures have to be sent to the general secretariat before January 3rd, 2017.





## **Presentation:**

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