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### Subject: On-line Regular General Assembly on 03/06/21, 14:30-17:30

### Dear Colleagues,

The Annual Regular General Assembly is called for Thursday 3 June 2021. All the working documents, dated 2 May 2021, were addressed to the Members of the Association and are available on the Website of AFUS. Given the sanitary restrictions that are still in force for meetings at UNESCO, the GA will take place on line by videoconference. The chosen operator is ZOOM. If you do not have this software on your computer, you can download it free-of-charge by going to: <u>https://www.zoom.us/download</u>

You can also get it as an app on your cell phone.

# Conduct of the GA:

1. You should connect between 14:15 and 14:30 to the meeting through the **ZOOM** link that will be communicated to you later.

2. The President of the AFUS will open the session by **providing you with** additional technical information and will invite you to elect by acclamation the Bureau of the GA since there is only one candidate per function: President, Jacques Rao, Vice-President, Stamenka Uvalić-Trumbić, and Rapporteur, Georges Poussin.

3. The Opening Speech will be delivered by the Director-General, or her Representative.

4. The Presiding Officer will ask the GA **to elect unanimously for one year two tellers**. The candidates are: Aimée Ravonison and Wolfgang Vollmann.

## 5. **The Presiding Officer will invite the GA to adopt the agenda** (doc. 29A/1).

At any time, if you wish to take the floor, at the bottom of the ZOOM screen <u>you will see</u> <u>the "Chat" or "Converser" icon.</u> Clicking on this icon you will be able **to send a Message to Georges Kutukdjian, the Moderator of the Session, indicating the subject on which you want to speak by identifying yourself**. The Presiding Officer will invite participants to intervene in order of request to speak.

6. Then, the President of the session will propose to the GA the approval of the minutes of the 28<sup>th</sup> Regular session (doc. 29A/2).

7. He will proceed to the elections to the four vacant positions on the Executive Committee, asking the GA to elect unanimously for 3 years the following four candidates: Jens Boël, Neda Ferrier, Patrick Gallaud and Vérène Séret-Mukamusoni, as is the long-standing practice of AFUS when the number of candidates corresponds to the number of vacant posts (doc. 29A/3). Before proceeding to the election, he will invite each candidate to introduce him/herself, in alphabetic order, as is the practice.

8. **The Presiding Officer will invite the President of AFUS to present the Annual Report of the Executive Committee** from April 2020 to March 2021 (doc. 29A/4). In order to facilitate the conduct of the GA, if you want to ask for clarifications or ask questions, you are invited to do so ahead of time by email by identifying yourself by your first and last name and by sending it to: <u>afus@afus.unesco.org</u>

Following the exchange with the members of the Executive Committee who will answer your questions, the Presiding Officer will invite the GA to approve the Report.

9. Thereafter, the President of the session will give the floor to the **Treasurer to present the accounts of AFUS** (doc. 29A/5a) **and the External Auditors' Report for 2019 and 2020** (doc.29A/5b). These documents will be made available very soon. After the documents have been examined, he will invite the **GA to approve the accounts and to give a discharge to the Treasurer for 2019 and 2020**.

10. **The Treasurer will also present the "Provisional Budget for 2022"** (doc. 29A/6) **for adoption**.

11. **To celebrate the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of AFUS**, the Presiding Officer will give the floor to Josiane Taillefer, Vice-President of AFUS, who will highlight the major achievements of AFUS since its inception. He will then invite the President of AFUS to read out the *Tribute to Past and Present International Civil Servants*, approved by FAFICS on the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the United Nations.

12. According to the decision taken by the GA in 2020, **the President of AFUS will present the amendments to the Statutes and Rules of Procedure of AFUS** (doc. 29A/7). The proposed amendments will be shared with the GA on the screen so as to facilitate their examination.

13. For the election of the two External Auditors, the GA will be invited to unanimously elect the 2 proposed candidates: Mohammed Bachiri and Rosa Primois.

14. After having invited the GA to examine, if necessary, other "Miscellaneous matters", **the Presiding Officer will close the 29<sup>th</sup> Regular General Assembly of AFUS**.

### WE EXPECT THAT MANY OF YOU WILL PARTICIPATE SINCE THE REMOTE ORGANIZATION OF THIS GA WILL ALLOW US TO MEET WHETHER YOU RESIDE IN PARIS AND OUTSKIRTS, IN THE PROVINCES OR ABROAD.

The Executive Committee, 18/05/2021