MOTION FORM FOR SI GA 2018 POL-RWA-001

1. Heading for motion (No more than 10 words)

A one-off SI contribution to the SI Development Fund for the period April 2019- March 2022

2. Member Group(s) proposing motion (note that only SI Exco and Member Groups may propose motions)

Servas Poland & Servas Rwanda

3. Exact wording of the motion to be voted on

Based on the amount SI has contributed in previous years, the GA approves a one-off contribution of 18000 CHF from Servas International to the SI Development Fund to support the work of the Development Committee between 2018 and 2021.

4. Background information and reasons for proposing the motion

The proposed SI budget for 2018-21 will not include any funding to support the Development Committee's activities. Instead there will be a stand- alone Development Fund managed within the Servas international accounts which has fallen into disuse in recent years.

The Development Fund was originally intended as a place where national groups could make donations. Since it was set up there has also been an annual contribution from Si funds.

Although contributions can be encouraged from national groups who have spare resources the amount of ad hoc financial help that can be raised in this way is unpredictable. The Development Committee will still need the certainty of some continued core funding from Servas International to carry out its responsibilities for development across all regions.

It is proposed that this SI contribution should continue at the same level as in previous years. Between 2015 and 2018 it has been 6000 CHF per year.

The work of the Development Committee is very much at the centre of SI developmental activity. It includes:

- Responsibility for a wide range of SI tasks including support to the smaller and less established national groups.
- Responding to enquiries from those wanting to set up a new national group and organising start up grants when needed.
- Initiating and promoting regional activities including meetings as well as encouraging communication within regions, in a way area coordinators may have done in the past.
- Working with the Youth Leadership Committee to support youth activities.
- ❖ Working with the membership committee to identify potential new member countries.
- Providing funding so new member countries can take part as delegates at the GA where their member status is to be confirmed.
- DC members are well respected and get involved from time to time with important 'behind the scenes' problem solving and low-key mediation.

5. Who is responsible for accomplishing the results of the motion?
SI Exco and SI Development Committee.
6. Benefits for SI
The Development Committee will have the resources to support developmental projects across Servas regions which will, in turn, help Servas to grow. It will also be able to establish Servas in the countries where it doesn't exist or is hard to develop.
7. Resource needs - time, human resources and specialist expertise
The Development Committee will continue to be responsible for management and allocation of the resources in the Development Fund.
8. Budget implications
The one off contribution from SI funds will replace the annual allocation to the development committee within the main SI budget.
9. Does it affect the SI statutes?
No
10. What is the impact if the motion is not passed?
The Development Committee may not be able to fund some initiatives which are vital for developing Servas around the world.
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Final Motion (Passed or defeated)