

## Congress 2018: Let's move forward

The yearly congress of the Luxembourgish allotment federation took place on March 25<sup>th</sup>, 2018. The motto of the congress was "modern statutes for a strong allotment federation". 387 delegates from 86 associations met at that occasion in Crauthem.



Table of the executive board

Fernand Etgen, minister for agriculture, Carole Dieschbourg, minister for environmental protection and Dan Kersch minister for the interior, many guests and representatives from the administration and partner organisations, as well as Malou Weirich, secretary general of the International Office du Coin de Terre et des Jardins Familiaux, were present.



Part of the invited guests

Ziel dieser Statutenänderung ist es dem Verband zu ermöglichen intern wirksamer zu arbeiten und extern als kompetenter Partner im Kleingarten- und Umweltbereich wahrgenommen zu werden.

The main topic was the adaptation of the statutes dating from March 31<sup>st</sup> 1985 to the current requirements

The aim thereof is to enable the federation to both work in a more efficient way on an internal level and to be considered on an external level as a competent partner for allotment and environmental questions.

The main characteristics of this reform are:

- The weighting of the voting rights of the different member sections have been redefined.
- The calculation of the number of the delegates of the four regional groupings has been newly regulated.
- The current double mandates of regional president and vice-president were split so as to broaden the executive board. Consequently, the executive board will now be made up by the federation's president, the secretary general, the general treasurer and four vice-presidents, thus seven people to deal with the increasing tasks and current requirements.

After discussions and explanations given during the preparatory regional assemblies the amendments were adopted with unanimity.

The federation remains, according to its tradition, an agricultural cooperative.

This new instrument should help the well-being of the allotment gardeners and put them in the best position for the future.



Part of the 387 delegates



President Martine MERGEN



Carole DIESCHBOURG, Minister for environment protection



Fernand ETGEN, minister for agriculture



Dan KERSCH, minister for the interior