

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

On March 3rd and 4th 2017 the national delegates met in Luxembourg for their annual statutory general assembly.

With great pleasure they acknowledged that the Luxembourgish minister for environment protection had granted a substantial financial support for the publication of the Office brochure: “Allotments – discover nature with children” and thank her very much.

They also thank the firm Mayerhofer and especially Friedrich Hauk for the important financial support for the publication of the brochure.

Five demands for diplomas were submitted. The diplomas will be granted at the occasion of the international study session in Copenhagen. The receiving of a diploma is a great recognition for the association’s efforts and is additionally a great means for lobbying,

It was also decided to grant the diploma for an ecological gardening to the allotment association “am Kienberg” (Germany). The diploma will be given to the association in Berlin on 20<sup>th</sup> May 2017 at the occasion of the Day of the Garden.

Besides the statutory tasks, the report and discussions on positive or negative national events, the delegates discussed intensively the subject: “Allotment gardens and Community gardens”, as well as “the future of the allotment movement”.

The elaboration of guidelines for gardening advice will be continued in a working group.

It was decided to optimize the forum for gardening advisers in order to guarantee its success. Therefore the access to a greater number of interest people should be made possible.

Since 4<sup>th</sup> March 2017 the Office appears on Facebook in order to be more and better visible.

[www.facebook.com/OfficeInternationalJardinsFamiliaux/](http://www.facebook.com/OfficeInternationalJardinsFamiliaux/)

During the statutory meeting the members of the executive board for the next four years were elected. Daniel CAZANOVE (F), Otmar

HOFFMANN (L), Preben JACOBSEN (DK), Peter PASCHKE (D) and Wilhelm WOHATSCHEK (A).



During the first executive board meeting following this election Wilhelm WOHATSCHEK was once more elected as president.

The delegates will meet again in Copenhagen on coming 24th August during their study session

The next statutory general assembly will take place in Luxembourg on February 23rd and 24<sup>th</sup> February 2018.

