

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

The national delegates met in Luxembourg on March 8th and 9th, 2019 for their annual statutory general assembly.



Before the meeting chairman Wilhelm Wohatschek and general secretary Malou Weirich had a meeting with Romain Schneider, minister for Agriculture. During this meeting they could present the Office's new strategies to the Minister.

He assured them that he will both morally and financially support the publishing of the brochure "The soil is living" in several languages.



The executive board and the national delegates thank the minister very heartily for his recognition and support.

In addition to the statutory missions, the conclusions from the study session in Kortrijk were drawn. The cornerstones for a greater internal and external efficiency of our work were further discussed.

The Office homepage should present examples of good practice and be developed to become a platform to present knowledge and expertise. To this effect it was decided to acquire an expertise in the domains as for example: climate, water, public space, thanks to a cooperation between two or more federations.



The Dutch federation presented its activities, successes, problems as well as its innovative strategy for the future in a very interesting lecture. In the future they will, in addition to their current missions, focus especially on amateur gardeners who are not members of the federation.



All the other federations informed on their activities. This exchange brought interesting insights and gave – according to what was needed – stimulations for national activities.

The next issues of the Hyphen will deal for example with the topics: Environment justice, diversity of allotments, pilot projects of the federations.

The Office and the affiliated federations will also take part in the week without pesticides in 2019 and publish a memorandum on the Office homepage, the national homepages as well as in the national allotment magazines.

The delegates will meet again during their study session in Graz (Austria) on coming 21st August.

The next statutory general assembly will take place in Luxembourg on March 6th and 7th, 2020.



