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### **Rules of ICOM-Europe: Amendments**

The rules of ICOM-Europe were adopted by the representatives of 23 national committees during the meeting of the Advisory Committee on 4<sup>th</sup> June 2002.

This is a result of the work of our colleague Jens Breinegaard from Denmark and others who took the initiative to revitalise our regional organisation. These rules are one of the basic documents for our work.

Nevertheless rules always represents a “constitution” of a certain moment and should be updated whenever necessary.

The board of ICOM-Europe recommends two changes:

#### **First:**

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#### 4. Membership

Second paragraph should be cancelled:

“All applications shall be made by the National Committees in writing to the Secretary-General of ICOM who shall, after consulting the existing members of ICOM-Europe, submit the application to the Executive Council of ICOM for determination.”

Explanation: The active board of ICOM-Europe and the General Secretary decided in early 2003 to accept all national committees of our continent automatically as members. The application system – as written in the rules – seemed too bureaucratic and time consuming. The new membership policy is a full success since national committees, until 2002 not officially members, are very much engaged in the work of ICOM-Europe.

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**Second:**

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6. Management of the Regional Organisation

Second paragraph should be enlarged as follows:

“The chairperson and the elected members of the board shall be individual members, or designated representatives of Institutional Members of ICOM, and be chairman (new: “or former Chairperson”) of the board of any of the National Committee forming the Regional Organisation (new: “or is or was an active representative of any other body of ICOM”).”

Explanation: Whether an elected board works successfully or not, does in general not depend on the status of the member. More important is the engagement of the person. Other regional organisations, such as ASPAC or LAC, are represented also by colleagues who do not work or do not work anymore as chairpersons of national committees. And they do a good job. Bad experiences from the past concerning former boards of ICOM-Europe should not limit the activities of well experienced members of ICOM. who are in close contact to the organisational bodies of ICOM.

Therefore the third paragraph of section 6 should be omitted:

“Any person who is a chairman in good standing of a National Committee that is a member of ICOM-Europe may stand for election to the Board of ICOM-Europe.”