Recommendation to the new Council by outgoing President

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Council recommended at GA 2009 to increase visibility on intern. platforms and impact on decision makers. Council meeting in Florence October 2011 confirmed strategy.

DG doors in Brussels were opened thanks to cooperation with strong partners in lobbying (PAN, IBMA).

EU, FAO, OECD better aware now that IOBC-WPRS can offer technical information, knowledge on alternative methods, IPM and IP.

IOBC-WPRS is recognised as competent organisation for alternative Crop Prot. methods, IPM and IP.

IOBC-WPRS was approached by research institutions and DG SANCO to submit EU project proposals.

With one exception is was not possible due to time and labour constraints of IOBC-WRPS
Creation of a new technical body (e.g. Commission, Council task force)

- PN and FB are in boards of EIP and FACCE-JPI (important bodies for agriculture research in the EU), but time consuming task.
- FAO (regional office in Budapest) is interested in IPM/IP knowledge of IOBC-WRPS. Participation of FB at workshop. Interest in tools and books on IP for translation.

if level of visibility and impact raising activities should be maintained or increased, a technical body should be created and take care of this work.
Proposal of a «fund raising group»
by Council members

- Incomes from members have decreased steadily over the last 4 years.
- We have consumed a substantial amount of our assets during the same period.
- We have made savings (less physical Exe. Com meetings, lower budgets for WG and Commissions)
- We made efforts to increase incomes: a) higher registration fees for non-members at WG meetings, b) list of potential supp. and institutional members (no success), c) sponsors for GA (some success).
- We keep minimal assets of € 120’000.
- Job of Treasurer is more and more demanding, Exe. Com. proposed that one Vice-President should be «Deputy-Treasurer» and share work.
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- If incomes decrease in the same rate as the last 4 years, WPRS will continue to consume assets for the next 5-10 years and then it is bankrupt.
- If WPRS continues to save expenses, activities of WG and Commissions will be more and more limited or some WG and Com. Need to be dissolved.

WPRS needs more efforts in fund raising e.g. by a group of Council members:

Draft action plan (March 14)
Identify priorities for the next 4 years (June 14)
Implement the action plan (June 14-Oct 17)