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BIPAR 2020 General Assembly

22 June 2020

On the occasion of this year's BIPAR General Assembly held on 22 June by videoconference, it was decided to renew the composition of the Steering Committee for 2020/2021.



Mr Juan Ramón Plá, a Spanish broker and Treasurer of ADECOSE, was re-elected as **BIPAR Chairman**. He will be assisted for another year by the **Incoming Chairman/Vice-Chairman**, Mr **Dominique Sizes**, a French broker and a member of Planète CSCA, and by the **Past Chairman/Vice-Chairman**, Mr **Ulrich Zander**, a German agent and Vice-Chairman of BVK, by the **Secretary General**, Mr **Nicolas Bohême**, a French agent and member of agéa, as well as by the **Treasurer**, Mr **Christoph Berghammer**, an Austrian broker and chairman of WKO Versicherungsmakler.



Mr Paul Carty remains the Chairman of the BIPAR EU Committee.

Mr Jean-François Mossino, an Italian agent and a member of SNA, remains Chairman of the BIPAR Agents' Committee.

Mr Roger van der Linden, a Dutch broker and Chairman of Adifz, takes over from André Van Varenberg as Chairman of the BIPAR Brokers' Committee.

Mr Jaap Meijers, a Dutch broker, remains the Chairman of the BIPAR International Committee.

Mr Nic De Maesschalck is BIPAR permanent Director.

HONORARY MEMBERS Alessandro De Besi, Gérard Lebègue, Manuel Vila

Together with the staff of the permanent Secretariat, the members of the Steering Committee have the task not only of ensuring the governance of BIPAR but also of formulating and promoting BIPAR policy on a wide variety of subjects, in particular in the ever more important area of EU public affairs. In this respect, all BIPAR policy decisions are decided in permanent consultation and debate with all 50 national associations of BIPAR.

BIPAR is the European Federation of Insurance Intermediaries. It groups 50 national associations in 30 countries. Through its national associations, BIPAR represents the interests of insurance agents and brokers and financial intermediaries in Europe.

Apart from some large multinationals, the insurance intermediation sector consists of hundreds of thousands of SMEs and micro-type operators. It accounts for 0.7% of European GDP, and over one million people are active in the sector. Insurance and financial intermediaries facilitate the insurance and financial process for several hundreds of millions of customers. The variety of business models, the high level of competition and the geographical spread in the sector ensure that everyone in Europe has easy access to tailor-made insurance and financial services. The sector is highly regulated and strictly supervised.

BIPAR is a member of the World Federation of Insurance Intermediaries (WFII). Founded in Paris in 1937, BIPAR has been established in Brussels since 1989.

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