

Dear Boardmembers, Dear Friends,

As promised during the A.C.I Conference in Bruges we will update you on our work in the international board and our plans for the future.

During the ACI board's second board meeting (combined with the hand over meeting right after the ACI AGM) we felt that -as Agora Club International is growing more and morethere was a necessity to write guidelines to help new countries, n° 1 Clubs and other Agora clubs starting worldwide. These guidelines will help members and future and existing clubs in all sorts of areas such as :

- How to begin Agora Club in a new country
- How to charter a number 1 Club
- How to start a new Agora Club
- How to form further Agora Clubs
- Guidelines for Agora Club Godmother Countries
- Guidelines for the tellers at the international AGM
- Guidelines for the ACI Board members (These guidelines will help those ladies who would be engaged to join the international board, to get a clear view on what this involves)

Some official forms were written :

- Application form for the Agora Club International conference
- Nomination form ACI officer

Furthermore we wrote some info documents to be used as reference

- An ACI year planner
- What to bring with you to the ACI AGM
- the documents to be sent to the ACI secretary by the 30<sup>th</sup> of January
- the documents to be sent to the ACI secretary by the 30<sup>th</sup> of June
- The list of documents that you will receive from the ACI secretary by the 15<sup>th</sup> of july

All these documents can be found, consulted and downloaded on our newly updated, attractive and very handy ACI website ! www.agoraclubinternational.com

> Have a look, surf around and enjoy ! This is YOUR website!

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# ACI Board 2009-2010

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Dominique du Peloux 40 bis Rue Jean Bodin 49000 Angers FRANCE ddupeloux@hotmail.fr So if you have invitations, articles, a charter, something fun or interesting you want to share with Agora members worldwide just forward it to the ACI Board and we will make sure it appears on the website.

You will also notice that we have a photo gallery : you can mail us your pictures, or mail us a link to your picture gallery (e.g. picasa).

You will find links to the website of members countries (if existing), and already some articles (4clubs 1 vision, ...)

Even the ACI shop is already online where you can directly order fun ACI articles.

Important for you as board members is to first have a look at the **Agora yearplanner** and to consult the **"list of documents to be sent to the ACI secretary by the 31st of January"** (both to be found under INFO DOCS).



As you can see, we have been very busy to make it easier for you to "move around" in Agora.

The next objective of the ACI Board is to update the rules. We will work on them and send you a draft of the adapted rules in March 2010, so your board members can read and discuss them and send us your suggestions. We will take your suggestions into account when finalising the rules, which can thus be voted for "en block" on the ACI conference in Talinn.

Dear friends, you will realise that Agora Club International is growing more and more, so it is with great joy that I inform you of the official start of Agora Club Israel!

Since October 2008 a first Club was in formation, and after Ladies'Circle Israel gave the green light, we are now able to officialise their adherence. Today I am proud to announce you that we have two clubs in formation namely AC1 Merkaz (situated in the center of Israël) and AC 2 Kraoyt.

As the number 1 club is in formation for more than a year, they are planning to have their charter the weekend of the 19<sup>th</sup> of June 2010. More news about it in our next Newsletter.



The girls from AC Israel during their monthly meeting

As President, I have also represented Agora International this month : I joined the Half Year Meeting of Agora Club Tangent Germany in the weekend of 14 November. Our new German members have been working hard since they joined ACI.

As requested at our international conference in Bruges, they designed a first draft of their new national banner and a new pin, incorporating our Ginkgo leaf and the logo of ACI.

You can find all pictures of this great Half Year Meeting on our website.

It was a wonderful weekend where I lived friendship to the fullest. Thank you to all ladies present, for making me feel so welcome.

Dear friends, I really hope that you are all enjoying Agora Club as much as we are in the International Board.

If you have any questions or suggestions, never hesitate to forward them to us. We are there for you!

Yours in international friendship,

Daniëlle Gardin President Agora Club International 2009-2010