



## 4. GUIDELINES HOW TO START FURTHER AGORA CLUBS

The charters as from the 3<sup>rd</sup> or further Agora Clubs in a country will follow the national rules of that Country.

But here are some guidelines:

A new Agora Club can only be formed in connection with another Agora Club or in connection with Ladies' Circle, Round Table, Tangent Club and 41-clubs

One of the other Agora clubs in your country will be your Godmother club. However, a second International Godmother club can be appointed optionally.

The membership in Agora Club is available to past Circlers above the age of 45 or any other age limit as set by the constitutional rules of the LC country (this to be in accordance with LCI rules) and to non past Circlers above the age of 42. So, often members are Ex-Circlers, but all other ladies interested can be invited as member.

### **INAUGURAL MEETING**

When there are at least 5 members (according to the National Rules), who are interested to form a Club, a meeting should be held to which all members of the proposed Club are invited. In this meeting a resolution should be taken, that an Agora Club will be formed, to be known as Agora Club N°... followed by the preferred name of the Club.

A President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer should be elected from the members present at that meeting. Minutes of this first meeting, called the "Inaugural Meeting" should be kept, and similarly, of all the future meetings. Copies of all such minutes shall be sent to the National President and to the President of the Godmother Club.

### **BUSINESS MEETINGS AND CHARTER**

After this first meeting, the club should meet regularly, normally every third to fourth week. A membership fee should be determined to cover all necessary expenses (postage, telephone, etc.).

The Godmother club will help with all practical details, for example the meeting routines, rules etc.

The aim of the Club and its meetings is to widen members' views through debate, discussion and lectures on various subjects.

Social service is also important yet not obligatory.

The Chartering of a Club in a country usually follows after a minimum of 10 meetings. Remember to inform the National President about your Inaugural Meeting and if possible, send her information of the proceedings of the club. Also send her the contact details of the Club Board (the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and the Treasurer). Remember to keep these details updated in case of any changes.

You can also find all necessary information and contact-addresses on the web site [www.agoraclubinternational.com](http://www.agoraclubinternational.com)