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Dear Kathrine,

I am getting back to you regarding your question on if two associations for landscape architects can be members of IFLA and IFLA EUROPE. After consultation in the ExCo and debate with other members, we can summarize that:

1) As far as IFLA EUROPE's statutes go, these state very clearly that:

"II. CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 2.

The Federation shall comprise national associations of landscape architects of member countries of the European Union, the European Economic Area or signatories to bilateral accords recognising the European Union's Directives concerning the free movement of labour and all the members of the Council of Europe with the sole condition that the association has made a membership request to the Federation.

The Federation shall recognise only one national association in each country."

2) NLA is at the moment IFLA EUROPE's effective member/national association in Norway, and until NLA does not officially hand its resignation as IFLA EUROPE member, it will remain so.

3) If, for any reason, NLA wishes to resign from IFLA EUROPE, whichever new association willing to become the new effective member in Norway would need to apply for Effective membership, in accordance with IFLA Europe's Statutes. This new association, as statutes confirm, must be fully recognised by law, meaning that if you were to decide to join the Architects' Chamber, you would need to set up a specific Landscape Architecture Department and have it fully recognized by law. This is done to insure that one of our main objectives, also included in the Statutes, of determining "... the establishment of the unique and stand-alone profession of landscape architecture in all its diverse and very often specific forms" is achieved.

"II. CONSTITUTION, ARTICLE 2.

National associations must be *appropriately constituted legal bodies* in their own countries and, by attaining membership of the Federation shall be required to become a member of the International Federation of Landscape Architects (IFLA)."

Again, please, do bear in mind this can only be done after NLA's official resignation.

Finally, it is our will also to stress the importance that you do arrive at a consensus between your members, ensuring democratic processes throughout, so that the result is a strong, healthy association that will be capable of defending the entire profession in your country.

We are very much aware this must be a difficult moment for all of you. We would be willing to offer our assistance if you think you may need it in this process. Please, do contact us if there is anything else with which we can help.

Kindest regards, Ana.

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Subject: Can two organisations for landscape architects in Norway be members of IFLA and IFLA Europe

To IFLA Europe Secretariat

As the international delegate in the Norwegian Landscape Architecture Association (NLA) Gyda Grenstad may have informed you of we are in Norway in the process of deciding if we should join the united organisation for all architects in Norway.

There is a possibility that some of the members of NLA wish to continue with NLA as a solitary organisation, while an united organisation for all architects will be founded and include landscape architects.

In this case the new united organisation will apply for membership in IFLA and IFLA Europe. Is it possible that two organisations in one country are members? What are your views on such a situation?

This might be a complicated question, but I hope you have the opportunity to look into this as soon as possible.

We will have the annual meeting and 1. voting over this question March 29., it would be great if you could provide some kind of clarification in time for that meeting.

Thank you for your time,

Yours sincerely

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