

Dear colleagues and friends,

Title IX of the Statute of Union Syndicale Brussels provides that the Executive Committee shall convene a General Assembly of all members each year.

The health crisis in which we find ourselves makes it impossible, for reasons which you certainly understand, to convene a General Assembly in 2020.

In fact, the rules in force and an elementary duty of precaution and solicitude make it unworkable to convene a General Assembly for all members.

On the other hand, a "virtual" meeting (through a videoconferencing technological platform) requires an in-depth technical study and a market study to find a reliable and not excessively expensive solution.

The Executive Committee is resolved to convene a General Meeting during the first half of next year. Organisational and logistical details are being studied, but for the moment the prevailing idea is to adopt a "mixed" format: all those who will be able to do so will participate in a virtual way, while those who do not have the appropriate material will be offered the opportunity to attend the General Assembly from a meeting room (probably at the Maison de l'Union Syndicale) in compliance not only with the legal provisions that will be in force at that time but also with the appropriate prudence measures.

The two bodies that should have been renewed (the Financial Control Board and the Disputes Board) will remain in office until the date of the General Assembly.