

The Presidents of the International Commissions provided for in Article 7 of the present Convention are entitled to attend meetings of the Executive Committee in an advisory capacity.

The Executive Committee will meet at least once a year. It is charged with carrying out the decisions of the general Conference. It has entire control over the administration of the Institute. By secret vote it elects the Director, who fulfils the functions of Secretary-General of the general Conference and the Executive Committee. It settles the organization of the staff and also all the necessary arrangements for the functioning of the Institute.

Members of the Executive Committee unable to attend a meeting have the right to give their proxy to one of their colleagues on the Committee.

In the interval between meetings, the Executive Committee exercises the powers of the general Conference, subject to ratification by the latter of the decisions adopted.

In any case, decisions are valid only if sustained by a two-third majority vote of all members present or represented.

The Executive Committee selects, from among its members, a Governing Body composed of a President, six Vice-Presidents and a Committee of Administration consisting of fifteen members who draw up the budget and submit an annual report on the financial position of the Institute.

The Director, under the control of the Committee of Administration, authorizes the expenses and administers the revenues; he signs all receipts and clears, accepts, endorses or draws every bill, draft or cheque for the account of the Institute.

The President of the general Conference can attend, in an advisory capacity, all meetings of the Executive Committee and of the Committee of Administration.

ARTICLE 6

The functioning of the Institute is ensured by a salaried staff including a Director, appointed by the Executive Committee and officials necessary to carry out the duties of the Institute.

The appointment and discharge of employees of every class is in the hands of the Director who is responsible, in such matters, to the Executive Committee.

ARTICLE 7

The studies provided for by Article 3 of the present Convention are undertaken and pursued by International Commissions whose number and attributes are fixed by the general Conference or by experts appointed by that body.

Such studies will concern questions dealing with the production and utilization of refrigeration in all its aspects and especially:—

- The production of low temperatures;
- Refrigeration material and plants;
- The industrial applications of refrigeration;
- Transport;
- Legislation;
- Instruction;
- General management and statistics.

The President of each of these Commissions is selected by the General Conference and will report to it on the subject.

The composition of each Commission is settled by the Executive Committee on the basis of proposals presented by the President of the said Commission, account being taken of the wishes expressed by the refrigeration associations or other scientific or industrial bodies in the countries acceding to the present Convention.