# REPORT OF THE TREASURER

# **ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 DECEMBER 2019**

ALL AMOUNTS IN €

FOR SUBMISSION TO THE ASSEMBLY





# **Operational Income:**

# 1. The operational income over the year 2019 amounts to 188.428:

Membership subscriptions: 186.463
Financial: 1.966

#### 2. Comments:

# 1. Membership subscriptions:

The annual subscriptions invoiced to member Associations, net of early bird discount of 3.538, amount to 186.463, which corresponds to the budgeted figure and is 500 lower than for 2018. This is due to the fact that the CMI did not send invoices to the Israel or East Africa Maritime Law Associations, which have been defaulting from 2017 and 2019, respectively (-1.000), whereas the Congo Maritime Law Association became a new member of CMI in 2019 (+500).

The increase of 1.500 in the provision for unpaid 2018 subscriptions relates to 500 for each of the Maritime Law Associations of East Africa, Israel and Senegal. This is offset by a decrease in the same amount as a result of the receipt of all overdue subscriptions by the Maritime Law Association of the Democratic People's Republic of Korea..

#### 2. Financial:

The main contributors to the financial income are investments with Generali (1.036), Bank Van Breda - term account (98) and Bâloise (722). The balance consists of positive payment-and currency-differences.

# **Operational Expenses:**

# 3. The operational expenditure over the year 2019 amounts to 227.268:

1.	Publications:	24.033
2.	Depreciations:	637
3.	Administrative expenses:	81.220
4.	Executive Council expenses:	113.778
5.	International Working Groups:	2.805
6.	Annual Assembly expenses:	4.796

#### 4. Comments:



### 1. Publications:

The printing cost of the Yearbook 2017-2018 was somewhat higher than anticipated, mainly due to the fact that this edition was the first to be edited by the secretariat and printed by a new printer. The fact however that the Yearbook was not timely available to be distributed during the Mexican Colloquium, resulted in a significant unforeseen additional distribution cost of 7.500.

# 2. Administrative:

The salary costs increase is mainly due to the yearly premium for a pension scheme, granted to the Administrative Assistant.

"Telecommunication (incl IT)" includes a one-off cost for moving the hosting of CMI's mail accounts to the same company hosting the new website, so as to centralize all internet services with one provider. New insights on the efficiency and the security of our electronic network imposed this move, the cost of which was not budgeted for.

# 3. Executive Council:

The expenses incurred by the Executive Councilors for travel, accommodation and meetings match the budget, albeit differently distributed. The major overrun under this heading refers to expenses related to representing CMI. This year, the CMI President met with BIMCO in Copenhagen and with IMO in London, he visited IMLI in Malta, he attended the Congress of the Instituto Iberoamericano de Derecho Maritimo in Ciudad del Este, Paraguay, the IMO World Maritime Event in Cartagena, Colombia and a High Level Symposium, organized by UNCITRAL in Chongqing, China. He also attended meetings organized by, amongst others the Maritime Law Associations of the United States in New York, of Spain in Madrid and of Colombia in Cartagena.

# **Operational result:**

# 5. The Operational deficit amounts to 38.840:

Compared to the budgeted deficit of 12.900, the difference of approximately 26.000 is explained by the distribution cost of the Yearbook (+ 7.500), the salary cost increase (+ 4.000), the cost for the centralization of IT support (+ 4.250) and the representation expenses (+ 10.500).



# **Extraordinary expenses:**

# 6. The extraordinary expenses amount to 5.000:

This amount represents the Administrator's stipend for the year 2018, that was only claimed in the course of this year.

# **Event result:**

# 7. The Event result shows a deficit of 24.838:

The colloquium organized in Mexico City resulted in a deficit of 67.232. This is mainly due to a significantly lower number of attendees than expected, namely 200 instead of 300, and an overestimation of sponsorship income. This financial outcome is unfortunate as it is in contrast to the quality of the content and the organization of this event. That is why the Executive Council decided to contribute to cover the deficit and grant the Mexican Maritime Law Association a subsidy of 20.000 plus 50% of the costs related to four guest speakers, who were invited by the CMI to participate in the Colloquium, or a total of 24.838.

# Result of the Financial Year 2019:

Total deficit	68.678	(budget: - 8.900)
Event deficit	24.838	
Extraordinary expenses	5.000	
Operational deficit	38.840	



# **Balance Sheet:**

### 8. Assets

#### 1. Fixed assets

The net book value of the equipment, amounting to 638, includes office furniture and a laptop with a total historical acquisition cost of 3.913 less the accumulated depreciations of 3.275.

### 2. Debtors

The amount of 17.996 reported under "Debtors" includes "Unpaid subscriptions due by member Associations" amounting to 17.196 and other debtors amounting to 800.

The unpaid subscriptions include, apart from the three defaulting members, mentioned above and for which provisions are made, the Maritime Law Association of The Philippines, that announced that it would make payment of the outstanding amount of 1.196,24 by the end of 2020 and the Maritime Law Association of the People's Republic of China, that asked for a deferral of their 2019 subscription, amounting to 12.000, until mid 2020.

#### 3. Accrued income

Thanks to the repayment in full, by the Spanish Maritime Law Association, of the outstanding amount of a 10 year loan of 10.000, granted in 2015 and originally repayable in yearly instalments of 1.000, this ledger account is reduced to nil.

#### 4. Investments

Cash at bank or in bonds	31/12/2019	Interest Rate	Maturity
Generali	€ 116.842,81	0,75	5/03/2023
Baloise 1578522 (tak21/26)	€ 53.102,33	1,5	1/08/2022
BJVB TD005422 - term deposit	€ 120.000,00	0,25	14/05/2022
BJVB BE46 6456 0780 2136 - deposit	€ 90.273,77	0,1	
KBC BE66 7410 1209 4643	€ 106.938,76	0,1	
BNP 035-6941536-63 Short deposit	€ 142.903,01	0,1	
BNP 220-0104690-63	€ 2.414,78		
BJVB BE52 6455 0780 2109	€ 2.783,34		
Total	€ 635.250,80		



# 9. Liabilities

### 1. Reserves

The Reserves brought forward at the beginning of the year were reduced by this year's deficit of 68.678, resulting in Reserves carried forward of 590.774.

### 2. Provisions

The Provision for unpaid Subscriptions amounts to 4.696 and includes, as per CMI's accounting rules, all receivable subscriptions over one year old from the Maritime Law Associations of

-The Philippines:	1.196,24
-Israel:	1.000
-Senegal:	500
-East-Africa:	2.000

# 3. Liabilities within one year

The Liabilities within one year, amounting to 56.141, contain following items:

	Trade creditors:	44 734
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15.162 balance subsidy conference deficit 17.577 claims Executive Council members 10.085 distribution costs Yearbook 2017-2018

1.910 other creditors

- Salary cost: 5.407 accrued rights for employee's

leave pay in 2020

- Accrued charges: 6.000 editing/printing Yearbook 2019

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