**AIPH Spring Meeting Wednesday 18 March 2015**

 **Marriott Paris Hotel, Paris, France**

**9.00am Welcome by AIPH President, Vic Krahn**

**9.10am Welcome by Ms. Isabelle Descamps, Director General, PromoJardin**

Ms Descamps will make a presentation on the ornamental plant market in France and the work of their association in promoting the sector.

**9.40am Issues of concern to growers in France and initiatives to tackle these**

**10.10am AIPH General Meeting**

* + Minutes of General meeting 17 September 2014, Qingdao (Annex 1)
	+ Secretary General report (Annex 2)
	+ Election of AIPH Vice President
	+ Election of AIPH Board members
	+ AIPH re-brand and website update (Annex 3)
	+ International Grower of the Year
	+ Financial Update
	+ Annual Congress 2015
	+ Any other business

**10.45am Coffee Break**

**11.15am Environment & Plant Health Committee**

* + Introduction by Mr. Gery Heungens (Chairman)
	+ Minutes of Environment & Plant Health Committee, 16 September 2014 (Annex 4)
	+ Environment & Plant Health Committee report (Annex 5)
	+ Discussion topic – Certification of growers

In many countries growers have been forced to or chosen to be part of certification schemes. Mr. Jeroen Oudheusden, Executive Officer of the Floriculture Sustainability Initiative will provide an update on FSI, explain how schemes compare and where the future lies for grower certification. Following the presentation members will be invited to discuss how this issue relates to growers in their own countries and where they see the future for grower certification.

* + Any other business

**12.00am Novelty Protection Committee**

* + Introduction by Mr. Bernard Oosterom, Chairman
	+ Minutes of Novelty Protection Committee, 16 September 2014 (Annex 6)
	+ Novelty Protection report (Annex 7)
	+ Presentation by Mr. Martin Ekvad, President of CPVO (EU Community Plant Variety Office)
	+ Update on Nagoya Protocol EU intervention project
	+ Any other business

**1.00pm** **Buffet Lunch**

**2.00pm Green City Committee**

* + Introduction by Ms. Karen Tambayong, Chair
	+ Minutes of Green City Committee, 16 September 2014 (Annex 8)
	+ Green City Committee report (Annex 9)
	+ Green City Standard project
	+ Details of Green City Standard Working Group meeting to take place on 20 March
	+ Any other business

**3.00pm Marketing Committee**

* + Introduction by Mr. Kevin Chung, Chairman
	+ Minutes of Marketing Committee, 17 September 2014 (Annex 10)
	+ Marketing Committee report (Annex 11)
	+ Progress reports will take place at the AIPH Expo Conference on 19 March. Specific points for Marketing Committee:

Qingdao, China (2014) – Final Report status and gate fee payment (SG)

Antalya, Turkey (2016) – Report on recent AIPH inspection visits (SG)

Floriade, The Netherlands (2022) – Site inspection report (SG)

Geochang, South Korea – New date request (SG)

**3.30pm Tea Break**

**3.50pm Marketing Committee continued**

* + Proposed new AIPH Regulations for International Horticultural Exhibitions (Annex 12). Tim Briercliffe will present a summary of the proposed changes. Members are invited to express their views. It is hoped that this will lead to agreement of a final version at the Annual Congress.
	+ Any other business

**6.00pm Meeting closed by Mr. Vic Krahn**