

**Apislavia XVII Congress
Kyiv, Ukraine
September 17-20, 2008**

The Resolution of Apislavia XVII Congress:

I

1. The Congress approved the report on Apislavia's activities for the period between XVI and XVII Congresses.
2. The Report of the Audit Commission was approved.
3. The heads of national associations and unions presented information on their activities.
4. The Congress decided to forward the requests to the governments of the Apislavia member countries for providing assistance in the beekeeping development.
5. The Congress considered the suggestion of Bulgarian Union of Beekeepers to hold XVIII Congress of Apislavia in Bulgaria.
6. A proposal of Polish Union of Beekeepers to hold XIX Congress of Apislavia in Poland was discussed.
7. Apislavia's member organizations were instructed to submit to the Secretariat by 30 November 2008 the following information:
 - a full report on the situation with beekeeping in their countries;
 - the main events to be held in the country in 2009 by dates;
 - the main economic incentives which are annually received by the country's beekeepers, and long-term programs for promoting beekeeping development;
8. A new Statute of Federation of Beekeeping Organizations APISLAVIA was discussed and approved. It takes effect after the approval in writing by all APISLAVIA members.
9. The Secretariat was given a task to coordinate the place, time and agenda of the General Assembly in 2009.
10. APISLAVIA's Secretariat shall design a form for APISLAVIA Membership Certificates, and issue them to each APISLAVIA's member by 1 January 2009.
11. The member countries agreed to exchange beekeeping magazines and articles.
12. The Secretariat was requested to develop APISLAVIA's Plan of activities for 2009 by 20 December 2008.

II

On admission of new members to APISLAVIA

The Congress considered an application of the Greek Federation of Beekeeping Associations to be granted membership in APISLAVIA.

It was resolved to grant such a membership to the Greek Federation. Before the end of October 2008 the Federation should submit the documents required in accordance with the Statute.

III

1. A Resolution was made to create the following working groups:

- on the quality of beekeeping products – Chairman Ludovit Gall (Slovakia);
- on coordination of work with EU leaders – Chairman Tadeus Sabat (Poland);
- on apitherapy – Chairman Aleksey Paschenko (Ukraine);
- on direct contacts and exchange of experience between beekeepers – Chairman Cristian Constantinescu (Romania);
- on development of the system of awards for the outstanding beekeepers from APISLAVIA member countries – Chairman Arnold Butov (Russia).

IV

On election of Apislavia's President, two Vice-Presidents,
Secretary General and Audit Commission

The discussions and voting resulted in the election of:

- 1) Stefan Stefanov (Bulgaria) as Apislavia's President;
- 2) Leonid Bondarchuk (Ukraine) as Apislavia's First Vice-President;
- 3) Ludek Soyka (Czech Republic) as Apislavia's Vice-President;
- 4) Yuray Toporcak (Slovakia) as Apislavia's Secretary General;
- 5) The elected Audit Commission consists of:
 - Vladimir Kamenkov (Belarus) as Chairman;
 - Andrey Yefremenko (Russia), Lidia Dudka (Ukraine) as members.

President of APISLAVIA

St. Stefanov

20 September 2008