



**EUROPARC Federation
Report to Council
28th September 2014**

Title:

Membership Update

Summary:

Update on membership developments and payments

Recommendations:

- ❖ To note the report
- ❖ To note the resignations since the last meeting
- ❖ To formally approve new members

EUROPARC Federation Membership Update – July 2014:

Total number of members: 373

Number of countries represented: 36

		comments
Total amount of membership fees invoiced in 2014 (July 2014): 85% expected:	+292 692 EUR +248 788 EUR	Received so far 216 476 EUR (74%) +32.312 EUR needed to fulfill till the expected %
Amount of outstanding membership fees 2013/ 2014 (July 2014)	-97 872 EUR	2013: 21 656 EUR (25 members) 2014: 76 216 EUR (101 members) Federparchi: 47 900 EUR in total
Potential loss of invoiced membership fee 2013/2014 by 31.12.2014 (strike off)	-34 962 EUR	-17 481 EUR per year -22 members in total Federparchi: -11 members (-19 850 EUR in total)

Summary membership fluctuation 2014 since May:

	Nº of members	Income from membership EUR
New members	6	2 592
Resignations	7	4 195
Strike offs	22	34 962
Total Resign.+ Strike offs	29	39 157
Balance	-23	-36 565

5 Resignations since last council meeting **(to note resignations):**

Austria	1. Günther Loiskandl; member since 2009
Germany	2. Lauenburgische Seen Nature Park; member since 2001
The Netherlands	3. De Loonse en Drunense Duinen National Park; member since 2006
	4. Grenspark de Zoom-Kalmhoutse Heide NP; member since 2000
Norway	5. Jostedalsbreen National Park Centre; member since 2004
Portugal	6. Peneda-Gerês National Park (has been integrated in ICNF membership)
United Kingdom	7. New Forest National Park Authority; member since 2005

6 new Membership applications since last council meeting **(to be formally approved):**

Belgium:	1. Regional Landscape Pajottenland & Zennevallei
Finland:	2. Friends of Ukko-Koli association
Hungary:	3. Duna -Ipoly National Park Directorate
Ireland:	4. Clare Cave
The Netherlands:	5. National Landscape Green Heart
Portugal:	6. Alto Minho Intermunicipal Community (CIM Alto Minho)

Main comments:

- a) we are losing members every year due to strike-off rules. New admissions tend to balance with resignations. One part of new members are Charter candidates;
- b) we are receiving around 85% of invoiced membership fees and getting every year less total income. We need a decision about this, e.g., invite PA's individual members to merge into single membership under regional or national entities with less paying members.