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The following actions have been taken to date:

Coordination of the reviewing process for a) Belgium b) Slovenia c) Switzerland d) Estonia

A. Belgium

- The membership committee has received completed forms from Israel, one of the reviewing countries and all the documentation confirming that they fulfill the requirements for basic full membership level.
- France has difficulties to do the process regarding resources.
- We decided to do the second review as a membership committee because of lack of feedback from France. All the documentation has confirmed that Belgium fulfills the requirements for basic full membership level.
- Therefore we, in the membership committee, recommend voting at the GA for Belgium to continue as a Basic Full Member.

B. Slovenia

- The membership committee has received completed forms from both reviewing countries (Ukraine and Finland) and all the documentation confirming that they fulfill the requirements for basic full membership level.
- Therefore we, in the membership committee, recommend voting at the GA for Slovenia to continue as a Basic Full Member.

C. Switzerland

- In Switzerland there have been many organizational changes. From the 2021/22 report this change was already in process. **Communication with** The Swiss Association for dissolution of btk association and joining gpk professional association for art therapy (gpk Fachverband für Kunstherapie). There will be a section of dance movement therapy within the gpk association and Swiss association aims to keep their membership status of full basic.)
- Continuing this communication The Membership Committee has held a meeting with Ben Edri, the delegate from Switzerland.
- Today the situation is that the section of Dance Movement Therapy is no longer able to fulfill the requirements and cannot document what is necessary to stay a Basic Full Member of EADMT. It is particularly paragraph 2 in the review form that is the issue.
- **Conclusion:** As Switzerland could not fulfill the requirements for Basic Full Membership they remain a member at the associate membership level.

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D. Estonia

- The review process has been done by the Polish association and the Membership Committee as Russia could not manage to complete the process.
- The Membership Committee has received feedback from Poland, one of the reviewing countries. The documentation confirms that they fulfill the requirements for professional full membership level with some conditions.
- As we did not have any information about the approval from Russia in accordance with the Membership Committee procedure, we, both as members of the Committee, have been reviewing the documents ourselves instead of the second country.
- We agreed with the first reviewing country that the documentation confirms fulfilling the requirements for professional full membership level with some conditions regarding supplementing or adapting to a small extent.
- Therefore we, in the membership committee, recommend voting at the GA for Estonia to stay as a professional member until the next review.

Conducting the application process for basic full membership of Croatia

- The membership committee has received a completed aplication form from Croatia and all the documentation confirming that they fulfill the requirements for basic full membership level.
- All the documentation has confirmed that Croatia fulfills the requirements for basic full membership level.
- Therefore we, in the membership committee, recommend voting at the GA for Croatia to become a Basic Full Member of EADMT

The membership committee has worked on

- a) Updating documents so all the same documents at the webpage are similar. Some still miss being exchanged. This is handed over to the communication, which needs technical support to do this.
- b) The terms of the renewal document have been updated.
- c) Contact the TSWG for feedback and guidance on certain requirements.

The membership committee has sent a proposal to the board as follows:

- a) Next year will be quite different as both Mette and Małgorzata cannot work in this amount of hours and are going to step down in a year. There is an agreement with the board to extend the membership committee to four people to allow this process to go smoothly
- b) Changing in the renewal term see our suggestion (VOTE)
- c) If a review country cannot do the review process another country will be asked to do it instead of the membership committee

Tasks for next year

a) Coordinate the renewal process for professional full membership designated for 2025.

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- b) Coordinate the renewal process for basic full membership designated for 2025
- c) Preparing a document that overview the country's involvement in the reviewing process.
- a) Update the membership renewal overview document

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