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Commentary from the SIL General Secretary-Treasurer and the President

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EVECUTIVE VICE

Dear Members of SIL.

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The years between Congresses may appear to be relatively uneventful, but much work goes on behind the scenes to keep the organisation functioning. We have been negotiating with the Freshwater Biological Association to transfer much of our administration there to give us a permanent base that will retain records and expertise even though officers of the Association change every few years. This is proving more complicated than we thought because of the different legal systems and tax liabilities that cover non-profit organisations in different countries, but we are gaining a good grasp of the implications. There will also be elections of officers before the next Congress, and under the Constitution of SIL, the President and Vice-Presidents reach the ends of their terms of office and we will also need a new General Secretary-Treasurer. Please would you let Ingemar Ahlgren (ingemar.ahlgren@ebc.uu.se) have suggestions. He is the Chair of the Nominating Committee.

It is also during the next few months that the committees will be conferring to decide on who will receive Naumann-Thienemann medals at the next Congress in Hungary and who will give the Baldi and Kilham lectures at the Congress in Turin in 2016. SIL has to look quite a long way ahead. It would be good if we could have more suggestions from the membership rather than just the committee members for these, so that we ensure that everyone has an equal chance of nomination. The Chair of these committees is the President and all

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that is needed for a nomination is for you to send a short statement to him (<u>brmoss@liverpool.ac.uk</u>). The committee will then follow up the case.

The third area of work is in collecting the subscriptions that keep the Association running, and that is the main reason for the Annual Circular. SIL remains relatively inexpensive, especially for members in North America and Europe, Japan and Australasia, but it has little in the way of financial reserves. It has always kept expenses to a minimum and spent almost all of its income on publication and on supporting students. Please send in your annual subscription promptly. There are several ways that you can do it, all explained later in this Circular. Without that income, SIL would cease to exist.

Eventually we hope to generate extra income from institutional subscriptions to our new journal, *Inland Waters*. Anyone can submit papers; they do not have to come from members or to have been given at a Congress, but we hope that the long tradition of submitting Congress papers will continue. Hitherto the flow of papers from members has not been as great as we expected and we need members to support the journal as actively as possible. It is an excellent medium especially for short papers and for Research Briefs, which allow you to draw attention to developing interesting areas and to speculate a little. It is published on-line so that papers appear rapidly, and the design is very attractive. You can also submit longer papers, for which, as with the former Congress Proceedings, we make a modest page charge. If the journal is to acquire listing by the organizations that quote citation indices, we have to publish regularly and the early years are crucial. We know the pressures that now afflict scientists in all countries concerning where they publish, but our more senior members can easily afford to support a new journal with a good paper or two without any disadvantage to their careers and we urge you to do so. We also need you to recommend *Inland Waters* to your libraries. The costs are small compared with many other journals and if limnology is to flourish its journals need to appear in the library catalogues. As in all organizations, it is the contributions of the members that allow SIL to continue and flourish. In the present economic situation, with support for freshwater research worldwide not as vigorous as we would like it to be, and with competition for papers from commercial journals that make huge profits, without putting anything back into science and student support, we need members to send their papers to *Inland* Waters, and by doing so to support an Association that has motives and values that really do benefit its contributors and members.

- -Morten Søndergaard, General-Secretary-Treasurer
- -Brian Moss. President

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www.limnology.org

Information is available there on awards, committees, jobs, membership, national representatives, publications, statutes and, working groups as well as links to other sites. Visit often, as information is updated regularly by our SIL webmaster, Gordon Goldsborough, University of Manitoba, Canada.

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NEW MEETINGS

SIL resolved at the 31st Congress to make links with other societies with a view to organizing or participating in joint meetings. The Executive Committee is now actively seeking out such opportunities.

FUTURE CONGRESSES:

32ST SIL CONGRESS:

Budapest, Hungary will be the venue for the 32nd congress in 2013.

33rd SIL CONGRESS:

The 33rd Congress will be held in Turino, Italy, in 2016.

FUTURE CONGRESS PROPOSALS:

Do you want to host a SIL Congress in your country? SIL members who have recommendations or want to make inquiries leading potentially to a proposal for sponsorship of a congress are urged to contact the SIL General Secretary – Treasurer.

The 34th Congress is open for bids.

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