

Report of the Treasurer 2025–2026 Period – General Assembly 2026

One year has passed since the last Treasurer's Report, and I would like to provide an update on key developments in the areas of finance, administration, and operations.

A major milestone was the adoption of the comprehensively revised Statutes by the last General Assembly. This has made work across many areas easier, particularly through the clear distinction between essential matters that belong in the Statutes and procedures that are now regulated through bylaws and internal regulations.

The congress levy once again proved its value in financing this year's in-person congress in Budapest and will continue to provide planning reliability and financial stability in the future.

Jana Stamm has now been Head of the Office for approximately one and a half years. Her role as an interface between the Board and the Office, as well as between the committees and the Office, has proven highly effective and has significantly reduced workloads in many areas. With her support, key performance indicators (KPIs) were also defined and introduced, which will facilitate controlling and performance monitoring in the future.

I would particularly like to highlight the completion of the new website. Due to the end of support for the previous TYPO3 version, a technically necessary migration had to be carried out. We used this opportunity not only to modernize the technical foundation but also to completely redesign the website in terms of content and visual appearance, with a strong focus on user-friendliness. Financially, this major investment was only possible thanks to reserves accumulated over the previous two years.

For the coming year, "fundraising" is on the agenda. By fundraising, we mean both contributions of time and financial donations. Initial ideas have already been developed. By the end of the year, we will prepare a concept outlining projects that will be presented both to members and to external donors.

Summary of the Financial Situation & Membership Figures:

1. The Association's income from membership fees, the congress levy, and admission fees has remained stable and amounts to approximately €300,000. Outstanding receivables from 2025 currently total around €1,000. Outstanding receivables from 2026 amount to approximately €11,000. A consistent and systematic reminder process has made a significant contribution to reducing outstanding payments.
2. Regarding membership figures and the reasons given for resignations, economic circumstances have reappeared for the first time in several years as a factor. Nevertheless, membership numbers remain stable overall. A total of 120 new members joined the Association, while 117 memberships ended. Among those leaving, there has also been an increase in retirements and withdrawals due to age-related cessation of professional activities. Of the 120 new members, 11 come from

the MENA region, 14 obtained their accreditation through CQS, 22 joined through LTC, and 46 candidates became members of EASC.

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