

# 3. **GUIDELINES** HOW TO CHARTER THE N°2 AGORA CLUB + EVENTUALLY FORM THE NATIONAL BOARD

The N°2 Club will have the N°1 Club of its country as Godmother Club. The N°1 Club will help and guide the new prospective club towards its Charter.

The membership in Agora Club is available to past Circlers above the age of 45 or any other age limit as set by the Constitutional rules of the LC Country (this to be in accordance with LCI rules) and to non past Circlers above the age of 42.So, often members are Ex-Circlers, but all other ladies interested can be invited as member.

#### **INAUGURAL MEETING**

When there are at least 5 possible members, who are interested to form an Agora Club, a meeting should be held to which all members of the proposed Club are invited. In this meeting a resolution should be taken, "That an Agora Club should be formed, to be known as: Agora Club N°2... followed by the preferred name of the Club.

A President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer should be elected from the members present at that meeting.

Minutes of this first meeting, called the "Inaugural Meeting" should be kept, and similarly, of all the future meetings. Copies of all such minutes shall be sent to the President of the Godmother Club.

### **BUSINESS MEETINGS AND CHARTER**

After this first meeting, the club should meet regularly, normally every third to fourth week. A membership fee should be determined to cover all necessary expenses (postage, telephone, etc.).

The aim of Agora Club and its meetings is to widen members' views through debate, discussion and lectures on various subjects. Social service is desirable but not obligatory.

Send the ACI Board the contact details of the Club Board (the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Secretary and the Treasurer). Without this information, the ACI Board can not send you the necessary letters, directories and other mailings. Remember to keep these details updated in case of any changes. All communication with Agora Club International (in English) and the Godmother Club is done by e-mail.

The date of the Charter will be established in accordance with the N°1 Club (Godmother Club) and the ACI Board will be informed of this date.

At its Charter, the club will automatically become member of the Associate Member Country.

## POSSIBILITY TO FORM THE NATIONAL BOARD IN CONNECTION WITH THE N°2 CHARTER

According to the AoA Article 8 and IRB Article 11, an Associate Member country can apply for Full Membership from the moment there is a minimum of 2 Clubs in that country Therefore the charter of the N°2 Club is often combined with the formation of the National Board of this country.

The ACI Board has to be informed if the 2 Clubs are considering forming a National Association. The ACI President or her representative will be present at the installation of the National board. After the formation of the National Association and the installation of the National Board, the Associate Member Country can apply for Full Membership of ACI at the next ACI Conference.

## **AFTER THE CHARTER**

The 2 first Clubs of an Associate member country will actively try to expand and form new clubs in their country.

You can find all necessary contact-addresses on the web site www.agoraclubinternational.com