Minutes from the ICOH National Secretaries Meeting  
Cape Town / South Africa

Date: 26 September 2005  
Place: Cape Town International Convention Centre

Participants:  
Jorma Rantanen (ICOH President)  
Ruddy Facci (Chair / ICOH Vice President)  
Alain Cantineau (ICOH Vice President)  
Ferdinand Smith (National Secretary for SA)

1 Welcome  
Jorma Rantanen and Ruddy Facci opened the meeting and welcomed the participants

2 Activities of the ICOH  
Jorma Rantanen had a talk on 2003-2006 ICOH efforts to structure ICOH as an organization, prepare for the centennial events, promote ICOH activities, with an emphasis on the role of the National Secretaries as one of the major structures.  
Alain Cantineau talked about the current situation of SC, WG and Network  
Ruddy Facci talked about Guidelines for NS.  
Milan Congress was also presented, where there will be a NS meeting on June 15th. The absence of others NS was discussed.

3 Activities of the National Secretary  
F Smith presented the current ICOH activities in his country as well as the OH situation, and informed hi is almost retired, so ICOH should introduce a new NS, due to the absence of a candidate for that position in time. F. Smith will continue working for ICOH up to Milan Congress. The Guidelines for NS is ok and approved.

4 Closing  
Jorma Rantanen asked to F. Smith to help ICOH, searching alternatives (names), mailing from university or government, for working as NS in South Africa. Closing comments were made by Ruddy Facci.