

Dear colleagues,

This is my first communication as interim Chair of CIfA Deutschland. I'm very pleased to announce that on 6 February 2018 I received official confirmation that, with the identification of a provisional organising committee, the Board has accepted the formation of CIfA Deutschland as an Area Group of CIfA. We are now able to influence the activities and decisions of CIfA, and have access to a budget to further our aims.

The Provisional organising committee

The provisional organising committee will hold office until the first AGM of CIfA Deutschland, which will take place on 12 May (details to follow). It consists of

Chair: Michaela Schauer ACIfA
Secretary: C. Sebastian Sommer MCIfA
Treasurer: Jan Schneider ACIfA
Ordinary member: Falk Näth MCIfA
Ordinary member: Astrid Otte
Ordinary member: Sascha Piffko MCIfA
Ordinary member: Frank Siegmund MCIfA

The group includes four archaeologists working in commercial companies with different levels of expertise, one freelancer, one state archaeologist and one university archaeologists – so we hope we found the 'right' mix. The first responsibilities of the committee are checking that the CIfA model constitution is suitable for our needs – and proposing changes to the Board if not – networking with existing German associations and groups, working on the documentation relating to applications for accreditation by individuals and organisations and preparing the first AGM. You will soon find more Information about the committee members at www.cifa-deutschland.de

AGM and accreditation coaching

The first AGM will take place on 12 May 2018 in Munich. Important issues will be

- the election of committee members
- acceptance of the draft constitution.
- short talks about the roles of CIfA (by Gerry Wait and Paul Belford) and CIfA Deutschland
- a short introduction into the accreditation system for individuals, followed by advice and mentoring
- discussion and questions.

An agenda will be circulated shortly.

There are no fees for this meeting as we would like as many people as possible to attend. You can apply for it via cifa.deutschland@archaeologists.net.

Participation in the general meeting

All German archaeologists are welcome to attend the meeting, but only accredited members (PCIfA, ACIfA, MCIfA) of CIfA can vote – so to take part fully in the AGM you should be accredited by then. You can apply anytime for Student, Affiliate or PCIfA, but please be sure to allow plenty of time for PCIfA as your application will be tested against the competence matrix. If you want be registered as ACIfA or MCIfA please submit your application by 5 March for consideration at the Validation committee meeting on 27 March (this is the committee that determines applications): the next meeting will take place on the 14 May – so after the AGM. You can find all the documents you need here: <http://www.archaeologists.net/mitglied-werden>

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