

**Minutes of the General Meeting
of the Network of International Development Organisations in Scotland (NIDOS)**

Held on Thursday 23rd March 2017 at 1pm
At The City of Edinburgh Methodist Church, Nicolson Square, Edinburgh

Chair: Jamie Morrison, Chair of NIDOS

In Attendance: Jane C Salmonson, Chief Executive of NIDOS

Present: Twenty-one representatives of NIDOS member organisations.

Jamie Morrison welcomed everyone to the Meeting and introduced the agenda, namely:

To consider and, if thought fit, pass the following resolutions, which will be proposed as Special Resolutions of the Company: -

- a. THAT the organisation will henceforth be known as 'Scotland's International Development Alliance'
- b. THAT the regulations set out in the document tabled at the meeting and (for the purpose of identification) signed by the chairperson of the meeting, be adopted as the new Articles of Association of the Company in substitution for, and to the exclusion of, the existing Articles of Association.

Jane Salmonson spoke about the background to the proposed changes and how, if the Special Resolutions were passed, these would help the organisation meet its newly re-articulated vision, mission and objectives.

Jamie Livingstone representing Oxfam Scotland asked if the newly re-named and re-constituted organisation would continue to support the objectives of international development organisations in Scotland. Jane Salmonson responded that this was indeed the case and that the services provided would continue to be designed primarily to meet the needs of international development organisations.

Zoe Hopkins representing Mercy Corps asked for clarification of clause 5.1.3 in the proposed new Articles of Association which did not have an equivalent in the current version. Jane Salmonson explained that this clause was inserted by the lawyer advising NIDOS for reasons of compliance with company law. We wished to continue to keep full voting rights as members for unincorporated organisations, who might otherwise be excluded, and hence the new clause offered a means of legally ensuring their continued voting rights despite not being corporate bodies.

Jamie Morrison then invited the members present to vote, using the voting papers distributed at the meeting, on whether or not to pass the two Special Resolutions put to them.

The members present voted unanimously to pass the two Special Resolutions.

Jamie Morrison and Jane Salmonson thanked the members for their support. There being no further business, the meeting was closed.