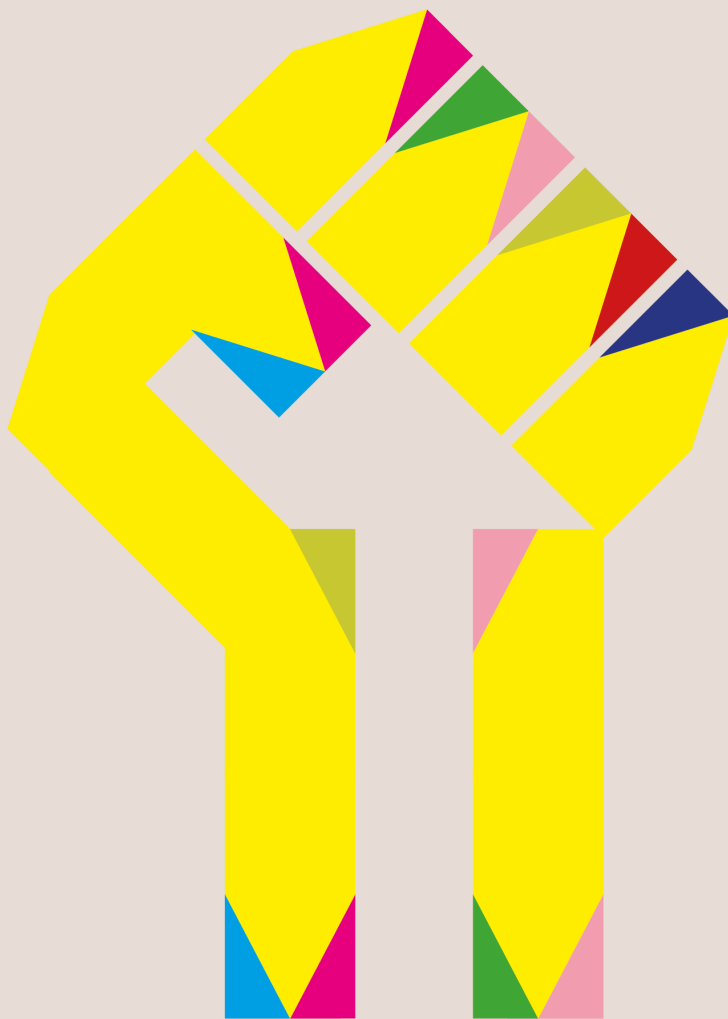


**ADOPTED**

**RESOLUTIONS**

**14TH EMMAUS WORLD ASSEMBLY 2021 - 2022**



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Following the debates held on 9th - 12th May in Piriápolis, and based on the 2021-2025 Guidance Report sent to all member groups, along with the summary of the workshops held during the World Assembly, the following proposals are put to a vote by the participants:

## I. STRENGTHENING OUR MOVEMENT – EXIST AND COMMIT

### RESOLUTION 1.1

Economic, human and political self-sufficiency<sup>1</sup> is a core principle of our movement that underpins our founding texts. The discussions at this World Assembly indicate that we should consider updating this principle, taking into account the environmental aspect, examining whether it should be renamed and at what levels of the movement it should apply.

The World Assembly reiterates that this principle reflects our will to be independent to effectively wage our fight against poverty and its causes.

#### Voting results

In favour: 222

Against: 0

Abstentions: 2

### RESOLUTION 1.2

The World Assembly reiterates the need to support groups towards self-sufficiency through a solidarity-based redistribution of resources and by means of direct group-to-group relationships. These resources must be shared within Emmaus International and its regions, in the spirit of transparency and fairness.

#### Voting results

In favour: 214

Against: 0

Abstentions: 14

### RESOLUTION 1.3

Our economic models are threatened, particularly by competition from private companies and legislation that favours stakeholders in the neoliberal economy, in addition to the consequences of climate change and war.

We are at risk of losing our core values in the choices that we make to confront these threats.

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<sup>1</sup> Economic self-sufficiency through financial independence; human self-sufficiency due to the groups' ability to make their own decisions; political self-sufficiency through groups' freedom to choose their positions with regard to local, national and international issues.



Therefore, we must connect our work and our economic activities with their social and political purpose, and align them with the Emmaus values.

Moreover, we must bolster the social, political and environmental impact of our work, based on practices that have been identified, or that are yet to be created, within or outside of our movement. This will enable us to gain recognition as actors of a truly ethical and solidarity economy.

#### **Voting results**

In favour: 244

Against: 1

Abstentions: 12

### **RESOLUTION 1.4**

Given the crises we are facing, our economic activities must be geared towards ecological transition. This will involve mobilising and bolstering our international solidarity funds to ensure that this transition is both fair and inclusive.

#### **Voting results**

In favour: 232

Against: 4

Abstentions: 5

### **RESOLUTION 1.5**

We observe a disconnect between the daily experiences of our groups and their sense of belonging to an international movement.

We must create more spaces within the groups and national organisations to discuss the life of the international movement. We undertake to implement the common framework on the role of national delegates adopted at our Extraordinary General Assembly, to continue developing opportunities for discussions and meetings at the international level, along with creating permanent spaces for exchanges.

#### **Voting results**

In favour: 239

Against: 0

Abstentions: 4

## **II. TACKLING THE CAUSES OF POVERTY - RESIST**

### **RESOLUTION 2.1**

As stated in our first Global Report, situations of poverty, injustice, and threats to our environment are not inevitable, but rather the result of political decisions.



To resist these threats, the World Assembly adopts the requirements and demands outlined in the first Emmaus International Global Report as a shared basis for building and making our political voice heard. This report is intended to be updated regularly, particularly with regard to our demands for climate, social and environmental justice.

#### **Voting results**

In favour: 239

Against: 0

Abstentions: 2

## **RESOLUTION 2.2**

The World Assembly underscores the relevance of the three struggles to which it has been committed since the World Assembly in Jesolo:

- for a truly ethical and solidarity economy for access to fundamental rights
- for social and environmental justice for a sustainable world
- for peace, freedom of movement and of residence for universal citizenship

It commits to taking collective action and running campaigns that involve all of the regions, particularly on the issues of climate justice, international migration and education to raise awareness.

#### **Voting results**

In favour: 247

Against: 0

Abstentions: 0

## **RESOLUTION 2.3**

The World Assembly reiterates the need to work on building alliances to join forces with other movements who are also trying to change the power balance and tackle the causes of injustice.

Another Forum of Alternatives will be organised during this term of office to take a stand against current threats, to learn from other activists and take more collective and political action.

#### **Voting results**

In favour: 245

Against: 0

Abstentions: 0

## **RESOLUTION 2.4**

In its work, the World Assembly observed that there is a lack of involvement in international solidarity that is not due to a lack of resources, nor a disagreement with this founding principle. Rather it stems from a difficulty in truly feeling part of this solidarity.



Therefore, this World Assembly reaffirms the need to pool our resources to ensure coherence between our movement's values and the actions we take, to facilitate the organisation of international meetings in order to discover and work specifically on the ground and to expand our advocacy campaigns.

**Voting results**

In favour: 235

Against: 0

Abstentions: 8

### III. KEEPING OUR HERITAGE ALIVE - COMMUNICATE

#### RESOLUTION 3.1

Our movement has been committed to raising awareness since its origins, defending a method based on values and principles to serve those who suffer most and make their voices heard.

This World Assembly decides to initiate a training plan, to pass on knowledge and raise awareness so that each individual is familiar with, and takes ownership of, our values, our history, our principles, including self-sufficiency, in order to understand the causes that provoke suffering, war, the plundering of resources and the destruction of our planet.

This training plan, which will be based on new and existing initiatives, should empower each individual to promote our struggles and become activists for change.

**Voting results**

In favour: 245

Against: 0

Abstentions: 2

#### RESOLUTION 3.2

The World Assembly would like our heritage to continue being a source of inspiration, both within and outside of the movement.

This requires increased joint communication and awareness-raising, particularly among younger generations, in addition to creating opportunities to meet and hold discussions.

This communication should facilitate understanding of who we are, our principles, and our vision of international solidarity. It must make the social, political and environmental impact of our work visible, along with our alternatives and our struggles.

**Voting results**

In favour: 234

Against: 0

Abstentions: 6

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