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The OIV transfers its headquarters to Dijon, France

By consensus, the Member States of the OIV have decided to provide the Organisation with a permanent headquarter for its second centenary

The General Assembly has decided to transfer the OIV headquarters with the relocation of the Secretariat from Paris to Dijon. The 48 member states accepted France's proposal to provide the OIV with a headquarters, ensuring temporal, legal and financial stability for the Organisation.

The President of the OIV, Luigi Moio, welcomed the decision of the General Assembly, which responds to a request expressed by the International Organisation of Vine and Wine, which has been based in France since its creation in 1924, to find premises more suited to its activity. The OIV is a strategic organisation for its 48 member countries, due to the role it plays as a scientific and technical reference organisation in the vitivincultural sector.

The French Secretary of State, Jean-Baptiste Lemoyne, was received by the Mayor of Dijon, François Rebsamen, who thanked the French government for its commitment and the members of the OIV for their confidence in the project carried out by the city of Dijon, a city recognised for its quality of life and ranked among the most attractive metropolises in its category within a regional capital with an international vocation.

The installation of the Organisation's Secretariat in the Burgundy capital is planned for September 2022. At the same time, the city of Dijon will start work on the renovation of the Hotel Bouchu d'Esterno, which will house the new OIV headquarters.

Texas applied for observer status

Observer status would allow the State of Texas to be associated with the activities of the OIV in order to benefit from its network of international experts and the sharing of experiences within the various bodies of the OIV, notably in the face of the challenges of the vitivincultural sector. The Member States will study this status during the next weeks.

New observer association: Lien de la Vigne

Founded in 1992 with the mission of promoting innovation and technological cooperation in the vitivincultural sector, the association Lien de la Vigne - Vinelink international - joins the international non-governmental organisations that cooperate with the OIV in order to achieve the objectives of the Organisation.



Note for editors

The OIV is the intergovernmental organisation of a scientific and technical nature of recognised competence for its work concerning vines, wine, wine-based beverages, table grapes, raisins and other vine-based products.

It is composed of 48 Member States.

In the framework of its competence, the objectives of the OIV are as follows:

- to inform its members of measures whereby the concerns of producers, consumers and other players in the vine and wine products sector may be taken into consideration;
- to assist other international organisations, both intergovernmental and non-governmental, especially those that carry out standardisation activities;
- to contribute to international harmonisation of existing practices and standards and, as necessary, to the preparation of new international standards in order to improve the conditions for producing and marketing vine and wine products, and to help ensure that the interests of consumers are taken into account.

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