

INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE OF MUNICIPAL CLERKS

**To:** IIMC Board of Directors  
**From:** Eelco Groenenboom, MMC  
International Relations Committee Chair  
**Date:** October 3, 2022  
**Subject:** 2022-2023 International Relations Midyear Report

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**The International Relations Committee's purpose is to facilitate the exchange of information, knowledge and experience between IIMC members and promote affiliations in Regions X and XI.**

The Committee met on June 30 to discuss their goals.

**1. Manage and run the booth annually at the IIMC Annual Conference which promotes international Programs and provides a focal point for international members.**

This is a goal to achieve during the IIMC Annual Conference in Minneapolis. All members of this committee who will be attending the Conference will be asked to work a shift in the booth. We will create a schedule and distribute it before the Conference.

Our main goal will be to promote the Study Abroad and Symposium program. We would appreciate any Board and former Board members who are willing to volunteer to work the booth with us.

**2. Work with Region XI Consultant and ED to market and promote the 2023 Study Abroad and Symposium programs.**

This is a goal for the coming months. Tom van der Hoven will have a meeting with the VvG (Dutch Clerks Association) in September about the Study Abroad and Symposium programs. He will keep the IRC informed of developments. Arnout van Kooij (member of the IRC) and Hans Rijs (board liaison) are also intensively involved in both programs. The IRC thinks it is important to promote the value and benefits of attending these programs.

**3. Create News Digest profiles featuring Region X and XI members.**

We are trying to promote in each News Digest a contribution from one of the Committee's members. We have scheduled to promote one member in each issue.

**4. Develop strategy on educating the membership on the value of global membership**

The committee has started a subgroup to discuss this goal/objective with the full members of the committee. The subgroup consists of Emily Forbes, Ashley Wyatt, Megan Howard, Andrew McKenzie and Eelco Groenenboom.

**Management's Comments:**

This Committee is extremely helpful in promoting Regions X and XI. We appreciate their efforts overseeing the exhibit booth in Little Rock, promoting the 2023 Study Abroad and Symposium Program and their continued efforts to engage and educate the membership about these Regions.