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SAZAS General Assembly demands Zurej's resignation

Replacement of members of the management and supervisory committees

The SAZAS General Assembly demands the immediate resignation of the Director of the Slovenian Intellectual Property Office, Jurij Žurej, and the official, Mojca Pečar.

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SAZAS accuses the Director of the Slovenian Intellectual Property Office, Jurij Žurej, of coercion, intimidation and overstepping his official authority. A criminal charge was filed a week ago on suspicion of committing a criminal offence of abuse of official position or official rights and on suspicion of committing a criminal offence of extortion of a statement. Žurej said at the time that the denunciation was a form of pressure on the office, which would continue its work and ensure the quality of all collective organisations. Photo: MMC RTV SLO

The resolution demanding the resignation was adopted by the General Assembly, as the highest body of SAZAS, by a large majority at a meeting at which 138 members were present.

According to the Assembly, Žurej and Pečar have overstepped their official powers by making a number of illegal demands to date.

In addition, the General Assembly also demands that the powers of control over collecting societies be transferred to independent state institutions such as the courts, public prosecutors or the State's Attorney Office.



At the SAZAS general assembly in April, the candidates on the list headed by Mojmir Sepe were voted in as the new members of the management and supervisory committees.

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New composition of the Management Board

The General Assembly of the Slovenian Association of Composers, Authors and Publishers for the Protection of Copyright (SAZAS) also voted to dismiss the current members of the management and supervisory bodies, after which the new members of the management and supervisory bodies elected at the April General Assembly will start their work today.

The candidates on the list headed by the composer Mojmir Sepe were voted in as the new members of the Management and Supervisory Committees.

In addition to the composer, the new members are Magnifico, Nenad Firšt, Jure Robežnik, Matjaž Vlašič, Branko Đurić - Đuro, Aldo Kumar, Tomaž Grubar and others, while Matjaž Zupan has also stepped down as Chairman of the Management Board.

The Board members, whose term of office is four years, will elect the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson of the Board at their first regular meeting. In addition to the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson, seven other members sit on the Board of Directors.

Approval of the annual business financial plan

According to SAZAS, the General Assembly also took note of the legal opinion of the Institute for Economic Analysis of Law of the Faculty of Law in Maribor. In this context, SAZAS commissioned a legal opinion on the Office's call for SAZAS to amend its statutes. It also took note of a letter from CISAC, the international confederation of authors' associations of which SAZAS is a member, which had been sent to the highest representatives of the State.

The Assembly also approved the annual reports, the annual financial and business plan, the reports of the certified auditor and the general accounts with all the parameters.

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