

**THE INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR ORTHODOX CHURCH MUSIC
(ISOCM)
THE ANNUAL REPORT
1st January – 31st December 2015**

I THE ORGANIZATION OF THE SOCIETY

1. The Annual Meeting

The annual meeting of the Society took place on 12th June 2015 at 4.30 p.m. during the 6th international conference at the University of Eastern Finland in Joensuu. The meeting was attended by 33 registered members and it was chaired by Bogdan Djakovic. At the meeting, the Society's annual report, accounts, plan of action and budget were discussed and the Board of 2014-2015 was discharged.

2. The Board

A new Board was elected at the annual meeting for years 2015-2017, **Jaakko Olkinuora** (Vice-chairman, Finland); **Daniel Galadza** (Austria/Canada); **Yuliya Artamonova** (Russia), and **David Lucs** (USA). **Maria Takala-Roszczenko** (Finland) was invited by the Board to be the secretary-treasurer of the Society.

3. The Accountant

The chartered accountant was **Mauri Mutanen** (Liperi, Finland).

II ECONOMY

The Society's financial transactions multiplied during the year 2015 due to the organization of the 6th international conference. The registration fee for the conference ranged from 350€ (full package for non-members) to 250€ (full package for members), 75€ (partial package for non-members) and 50€ (board members and partial package for members). During the conference, a number of publications were sold.

The accounts of the Society were taken care of by TKP Tilit ky (Joensuu, Finland).

III MEMBERS

By the end of 2015, the Society had 125 registered members. Twenty members paid the membership fee.

The membership fee was 50€ / 60\$ (normal) or 20€ / 24\$ (low income / student).

IV THE SOCIETY'S ACTIVITIES

1. Conferences

The 6th International Conference on Orthodox Church Music, *Creating Liturgically: Hymnography and Music*, took place on 8-14 June 2015 at the University of Eastern Finland, Joensuu. It gathered 57 participants from 19 different countries. The Society celebrated its 10th anniversary. To mark the celebration, the Estonian Philharmonic Chamber Choir was invited to give a concert during the conference.

2. Publications

Church Music and Icons: Windows to Heaven. Proceedings of the Fifth International Conference on Orthodox Church Music, University of Eastern Finland, Joensuu, Finland, 3-9 June 2013 (485 p.) was published in June 2015.

During the year, 130 copies of publications were sold:

Proceedings of 2005 – 3 copies

Proceedings of 2007 – 3 copies

Proceedings of 2009 – 5 copies

Proceedings of 2011 – 3 copies

Proceedings of 2013 – 22 copies

Moody – 94 copies

The editorial work on the 2nd issue of the Journal of ISOCM continued.

3. Website

The official website of the Society, www.isocm.com, continued to be developed and updated by **David Lucs**. Apart from the basic information about the Society, the website contains photos, audio and video files from the three conferences, an online registration form and payment for the membership fee, and online publication sale (PayPal).

The website was used for sharing information about other events, conferences etc. organized by other societies and organizations.

4. Other

A group "ISOCM - The International Society for Orthodox Church Music" on Facebook was used for announcing events and other ISOCM news. The group had c. 450 members by the end of 2015. In June 2015, a fan page for the Society was also set up on Facebook.

The YouTube channel "www.isocm.com" had 126 subscribers.