



## BOOKSELLERS ELECT THREE CO-PRESIDENTS

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The European and International Booksellers Federation held its statutory General Assembly at the Frankfurt Book Fair today.

As announced in London in April and further to the resignation of John Mc Namee as President, the European and International Booksellers Federation held elections and elected Dr. Kyra Dreher, Managing Director of the Retail Booksellers Committee, Boersenverein des Deutschen Buchhandels (DE), Fabian Paagman, CEO of boekhandel Paagman in the Hague (NL) and Jean-Luc Treutenaere, President of the SDLC – Syndicat des distributeurs de produits culturels and Director of External Affairs at Cultura (F) as Co-Presidents of the EIBF.

Said Kyra Dreher: *“I am confident that our triumvirate is a winning formula: at a time where the book industry is undergoing spectacular changes, we need all energies and skills available for looking after booksellers’ interests. I am really thrilled to work with Fabian and Jean-Luc as two professional and successful booksellers.”*



Fabian Paagman declared *“With Kyra and Jean-Luc, we represent three strong book markets in Europe. This is very positive for the EIBF to have access to such rich know-how coming from different book markets and varied sales channels.”*

Jean-Luc Treutenaere added: *“I am convinced that the diversity of our backgrounds and the richness of our respective experiences is an asset for EIBF. I feel strongly committed to the task I am undertaking with Kyra and Fabian and I have no doubt we will be a dream team.”*

Oren Teicher, CEO of the American Booksellers Association, remains Vice-President in charge of International Affairs.

Matthieu de Montchalin, owner of “L’armitière” in Rouen (F) and President of the French Booksellers Association (SLF) as well as Jane Streeter, owner of The Book Case, Lowdham, UK, and former President of the BA U.K & Ireland, have been elected Members of the Executive Committee”

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