

PERMANENT ORCHESTRASMotivation

The number of musicians employed in permanent orchestras has decreased over the years. This development can be noticed in a number of countries. The main cause for this development is the policy of subsidizers to cut subsidies. Although it is recognised that the first responsibility in this matter lies in the hands of the national unions, it is considered helpful if FIM could play a more active role in this matter of cultural policy. Furthermore, it could be beneficial if FIM takes the initiative for member unions to share each other's experiences.

Motion

The 17th FIM Congress recognises the importance of permanent orchestras for the musical development as a whole. Congress calls upon the executive committee to continue playing an active role in safeguarding the permanent orchestras and to undertake new initiatives in this matter.