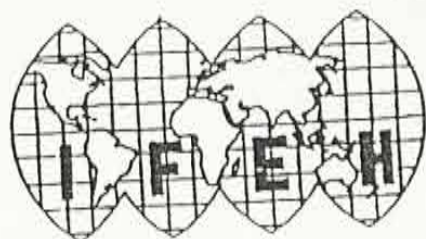


The International Federation of Environmental Health

Annual Report 1992



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1992 was in many ways a very eventful year and by no means simply a period of recovery after the heady days of the Brighton World Congress. I urge everyone to read all of this report and build up their knowledge of the events of this past year from the comments in this foreword and those included in other sections.

For the first time the Federation's Council met only twice - once in Gothenberg and once in Bournemouth. In both cases the meetings were held in conjunction with the annual conferences of the Swedish Environmental Health Officers Association and the Institution of Environmental Health Officers. We were warmly greeted and hosted by our Swedish colleagues and the same happened at Bournemouth.

Bournemouth has a special significance for the Federation as it was there that the organisation was launched in 1985.

The Federation is grateful to the members in the British Isles for their hospitality over the years but with the reduced number of meetings and the dispersal of those meetings there will be fewer future gatherings in those countries but, no doubt, we will return from time to time.

The changes in the administration initiated in September 1991 came in to fruition during 1992. Perhaps the major change was the shifting of the financial responsibility from the Institution of Environmental Health Officers Director of Finance to a separated treasurer. The IFEH is grateful to Fred Osborne for taking over this task which is central to the well being of the Federation..

We are grateful, too, to Bryn Jones and Ray Ellard for taking over as Secretary and PRO respectively

There were other important developments during the year. The IFEH family continued to grow and we welcomed the new member and associated bodies. In particular we welcomed the decision of our Canadian and American colleagues to resume active participation in our affairs. The Council has long held the view that the, perhaps overly, Anglo Saxon and Celtic roots of the Federation needed to be supported and complemented by the views and vigours of the New World. We look forward to a vibrant contribution from the West and challenge them to accept that goal.

We were also able to resume some activity in the publications field although our own journal remains in suspense for the time being. The Council felt able to accept an invitation from Messrs Chapman and Hall to be associated with them in the publication of The International Journal of Environmental Health Research. The agreement concluded includes the right to withdraw after twelve months notice and the general view is that we have made a constructive move towards securing the presence of our name and influence in universities and departments on an increasing scale.

The September Council approved the completion of the Federation Directory, and this was well under way at

the end of the year with an expected publication date in early 1993. We are also glad that Mr. Ken Stewart of the Environmental Health [Scotland] Unit has agreed to be our nominee as Regional Editor

When I became President in 1991 I indicated that I would like to visit each member and associated body during my term of office. In geographical terms that is a formidable task but it has been started and by the end of the year I had visited the Universities of Ulster and Queensland, our colleagues in Australia, Malaysia and Singapore, the Ngee An Polytechnic in Singapore and I also managed to visit the Russian end of the our American/Russian Associated body. From the cordial reception I received in each centre I am sure that these visits have increased the sense of belonging to the Federation. On some of these visits it was my pleasure to have with Mr. Ron Spratt the immediate Past President.

With Ronald I visited Malaysia to help our colleagues to plan the 1994 World Congress and, between us, we wrote a report which we hope will be helpful to others engaged in planning such events.

During the year we resumed working for the sustaining subscribers scheme and some progress is being made. This scheme has not been received with the universal enthusiasm for which we had hoped but I feel bound to say that unless some alternative means of adding to our financial base is worked out the it is probable that financial constraints will curtail the activities, growth and influence of the Federation.

We are grateful for the support we have so far gained. Invitations to join the scheme go out on a personal basis and acceptance of the invitation is entirely voluntary. There is another, non financial side to the scheme. Because our constitution limits membership to national associations we cannot have individual members but there is a significant argument to be made that the strength of the Federation will depend on the support which it gets from interested professional colleagues who will want to be informed, and who will themselves generate interest in others. The Federation can only succeed if it has a wide body of "popular" support.

Two other important events in the year. The first of these was the beginning of regional organisations. This was originally suggested some time ago but needed a change of mood and mode to re-introduce them. These regional groupings will, I am sure, prove to be very successful.

The second development was holding a Presidential consultation in Australia in connection with the AIEH Conference. This, too, was innovative and successful. Our Australian Colleagues had wanted to host a Council meeting but the early dates were booked up. As an alternative it was suggested that the President should meet with representatives of member organisations visiting the conference together with interested parties.

This was done and there was an animated and free ranging discussion on many topics of interest and it was gratifying to be able to get such a wide spectrum of opinion much of it from professional colleagues who would not otherwise be able to get involved in a Council meeting.

This sort of event will, I am sure, be repeated elsewhere.

In bringing this note to a conclusion can I come to personalities. We started 1992 with new faces in the administration and in the "political" aspects. We were glad to see Michael Halls taking the Chair and to welcome Kia Regner to the Vice Chairmanship. Both are bringing new vigours and ideas to the tasks in hand, and this is vital if the Federation is to expand and succeed.

Greetings to Ron Spratt the immediate past President and to Roy Emerson both of whom continue to serve us with their now expected energy. Fred O'Brien, now an Honorary Vice President, is currently working in out back Canada and we hope to see him from time to time.

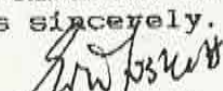
As a final shaft in this forward I am impelled to introduce a note of challenge. It is a challenge which binds me as well as others either as officers of the Federation or members of constituent bodies. I have been encouraged by the developments which have taken place and - we have been thinking - we have been innovative but we really do need to intensify our activity. My challenge is that we do this.

This means that we have to work harder for the Federation, but it also means that we have to involve more people in its activities. We have to open our minds to every idea which comes along and see what we can adopt.

In a short space of time we shall celebrate our tenth birthday and then, I hope we can reflect and say "we had a small start, we had successes and failures, but we are on our way". We need to think how we should mark that event so that preparations may begin...perhaps each member organisation could promote an "environmental health" week in September 1995 to include the anniversary of our foundation.

My thanks for past help, support and enthusiasms, my greetings to each member in every organisation within the Federation Family remembering that we total 23,000 Environmental Health professionals.

Yours sincerely,


Eric Foskett,
President.

LIST OF ORGANISATIONS IN FULL MEMBERSHIP

The Australian Institute of Environmental Health
The Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors
The Association of Public Health Inspectors, Cyprus
The Institution of Environmental Health Officers
(England, Wales and Northern Ireland)
The Finnish Communal Association of Env.Health & Protection
The Environmental Health Officers Association. Ireland
The Association of Public Health Inspectors, Malawi
The Malaysian Association of Health Inspectors
The Mauritius Health Inspectors Cadre
The Institute of New Zealand Environmental Health Officers
Teknisk Hygienisk Forum, Norway

The Royal Environmental Health Institute of Scotland
The Society of Public Health Inspectors, Singapore
The Swedish Environmental Health Officers Association
The Tanzania Health Officers Association
The National Environmental Health Association, U.S.A.
The Zimbabwe Environmental Health Officers Association

ASSOCIATED BODIES

University of Salford, England
Ngee An Polytechnic, Singapore
University of Ulster, Ireland
University of Strathclyde, Scotland
Ryerson Polytechnical Institute, Toronto, Canada
California Environmental Health Association, USA
University of Umea, Sweden
Cardiff Institute of Higher Education, Wales
Queensland University of Technology,, Australia
College of Catering, Dublin, Ireland
College of North London, England
Environmental Health (Scotland) Unit
American/Soviet Environment Centre, Novograd
Curtin University, Perth, Australia
Kings College, London, England
Univnersity of Edinburgh, Scotland
Federal Assoication of Food Control Inspectors, Germany
Gibtraltar Association of Environmental Health Officers
Northern School of Public Health, Manchester, England

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OFFICERS OF THE FEDERATION

President	E.W.Foskett, OBE
Honorary Vice Presidents	Kenneth Collins, MEP Professor Robert Blackith Roy Emerson, FIEH FIH FRSH Ronald Spratt, JP FAIHS Terence Moody, MA <i>FRED O'BRIEN BA MBA MCHOA</i>
Chairman of Council	M.Halls, FREHIS
Vice Chairman of Council	K.Regner
Company Secretary	T.Brunst, FIEH
Honorary Executive Secretary	B.R.Jones, FIEH
Honorary Co-ordinating Officer	E.W.Foskett, OBE
Honorary Editor	F.P.O'Brien, BA MBA <i>M</i> EHOA
Honorary Public Relations Officer	R.Ellard, <i>F</i> EHOA
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Honorary Archivist	M.Halls, FREHIS
Honorary Treasurer	F.Osborne, FIEH
Professional Auditors	Morrison, Stoneham & Co.
Honorary Auditors	J.Tiffney, FIEH N.Haverson MIEH

ATTENDANCE AT COUNCIL MEETINGS

Three meetings of the Council were held during the year:
Belfast, Northern Ireland (January),
Gothenberg, Sweden (May) and
Bournemouth, England (September)

Attendances were as follows:

England, Wales	A.Banfield	3
& N.Ireland	B.Jones	3
	G.Slee	2
Ireland	R.Ellard	3
	F.P.O'Brien	1
Norway	S.Skotheim	1
	L.Olsen	2
Scotland	M.Halls	3
Sweden	B.Narlund	1
	K.Regner	3
United States of America	C.Wiant	1

Note: Eric Foskett attended all three meetings and Roy Emerson attended two meetings.

The Federation Year

Again, three Council meetings were held this year, in Northern Ireland, Sweden and England. During the year a decision was made that in future only two meetings each year would take place. There was also a decision to hold meetings in as many countries as possible in future, so as to make it easier for all members to attend at least some meetings. It will be noted that in 1993 and 1994, no meetings are scheduled for the United Kingdom.

As far as membership is concerned, four new associated bodies came into membership. They were the University of Edinburgh, Scotland, the Gibraltar Association of Environmental Health Officers, the Federal Association of Food Control Inspectors, Germany and the Northern School of Public Health, Manchester. One new full member was recruited, the Association of Public Health Inspectors of Malawi. In addition, the National Environmental Health Association, USA and the Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors resumed full membership, thus establishing a considerable and very welcome base in North America.

The establishment of regional groups of members was progressed and this is seen as the basis of the future organisation of the Federation and a major step forward towards the active participation of all members. Members views on the future role of both the Council and the regional Groups have proved to be extremely useful and those that have not yet submitted views are urged to do so.

In the field of publications, there are two developments to report. Early in the year it was decided to compile and publish a Federation directory containing both historical and up to date factual information about member organisation. By the end of the year this was well advanced, thanks to the hard work of the President in collecting the information and typing the directory pages. Towards the end of the year an agreement was signed with Chapman and Hall, a well known publishing house, which will give the Federation a non-financial interest in their International Journal of Environmental Health Research. This is now published "in association" with the Federation and it is hoped that this arrangement will be of mutual benefit.

The Council took as active a part as finances and other considerations would allow in the UNCED Conference in Brazil. While there was general satisfaction with most of the resolutions, it was felt that the Conference had become unwieldy and political, and while the sentiments expressed were laudable, their achievement was in no way assured.

During the year, the President visited Malaysia, Singapore and Australia, all in company with Past President Ron Spratt, and Russia with IEHO representatives. The Chairman visited Germany.

THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

CHAIRMAN'S ANNUAL REPORT 1992

The year 1992 was one with many personal highlights insofar as my association with the Federation was concerned, and number one on the list was indeed to take over the Chairmanship from Fred O'Brien at the first meeting of the Council held in Belfast in January. Perhaps the most significant highlight however was the decision by the Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors and the National Environmental Health Association of the U.S.A. to re-join the Federation. This was something that I had given a lot of personal attention to, and it was most heartening to be able to welcome the President of the latter organisation, Chris Wiant to his first meeting at the September meeting of the Council in Bournemouth.

Earlier in the year I had been very privileged to represent the Federation at the Joint Conference on Environmental Health held in Winnipeg by the C.I.P.H.I. and N.E.H.A., where I was made very welcome, although being made to "sing for my supper", in that I had to undertake a number of formal engagements, all of which were extremely enjoyable.

Another matter of Federation policy which has given me a degree of personal satisfaction during 1992 is the setting-up of the Regional Groups, as it is these fora which I see as being the life-blood of the Federation in the short to medium term.

The past year has also seen the re-birth of a Federation Journal thanks to the co-operative venture with Chapman & Hall, and I look forward to this agreement being of benefit to both organisations before too long.

A further drive has been made by the President and myself to obtain more Sustaining Subscribers within our circle of friends and colleagues, and this is starting to bear fruit, which has the effect of making available more financial resources to the Federation to undertake its various roles.

During 1992 there were a number of new members admitted to the Federation, and likewise a number of Associated Bodies joined us, and the President and I are well on the way to meeting our target of achieving 50 Members and Associated Bodies by the time our tenures of office expire.

1992 also saw the start to the preparation of the Federation's Directory, and a lot of hard work has been put into this venture by the President, Eric Foskett. I am sure that his efforts will lead to a very useful publication, and that it will help the Federation achieve its aims in the longer term.

I have tried to maintain contact with all Member Organisations during the year, and there is now a fairly regular exchange of information, outlining what members feel about various activities which the Federation has in hand, and making suggestions for new areas of work. I put great store on this exchange of information, and hope that the Secretaries of Member Organisation will be able to continue to respond as they have been able to do in the past year.

One of the major disappointments of 1992 was the failure of the Federation (despite the efforts of Fred O'Brien) to influence in any way the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development which was held in Rio de Janeiro in the middle of the year, but it is hoped that in the future similar U.N. ventures will be used to good effect by the Federation.

My first year as Chairman of the Federation Council will long live in my memory as one during which I was privileged to make very many friends among environmental health professionals throughout the World, and to be granted assistance and hospitality wherever I went. My thanks are due to everyone with whom I came into contact in my first year, and I look forward with keen anticipation to my second year in office and to assisting the Federation in any way possible thereafter.



MICHAEL HALLS
Chairman of the Federation Council

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

The following pages contain the Reports and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 1992.

These have been audited by Morison Stoneham, who are Registered Auditors and Chartered Accountants, and who are the Federations Auditors.

THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH
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REPORTS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1992

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REPORT OF THE COUNCIL

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1992

The Council present their Report and audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 1992.

1. REVIEW OF ACTIVITIES

The principal activity of The Federation is to provide a focal point for the national organisations of officers whose concern is the control of the environment in the interests of public health.

2. COUNCIL MEMBERS

R Spratt	S Anthousis	D Hawkins	B Fleming
E Foscett	D Barton	B Jones	F O'Brien
T Moody	I Florence	A Banfield	C Gibson
R Ellard	Mrs White	M Halls	K Regner
B Narund	B Mwambela	Koh Geok Beng	P Granlund
Koh Hong Song	Hadji Ungku Bakar bin Abdul Raham		
Chua Koh Swee	Hadji Sulemena bin Hadji Kassim		

3. AUDITORS

Morison Stoneham have indicated their willingness to continue in office and offer themselves for re-election.

Chadwick House
Rushworth Street
London
SE1 0QT

BY ORDER OF THE COUNCIL

T G BRUNT
SECRETARY

15 May 1993

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REPORT OF THE AUDITORS

TO THE MEMBERS OF THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF
ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH

We have audited the financial statements set out on pages 3 to 7 in accordance with Auditing Standards.

In our opinion the financial statements give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of The Federation at 31 December 1992 and of the surplus for the year then ended and have been properly prepared in accordance with the Companies Act 1985.

805 Salisbury House
31 Finsbury Circus
London
EC2M 5SQ

MORISON STONEHAM

Registered Auditor
Chartered Accountants

15 May 1993

THE INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH
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BALANCE SHEET - 31 DECEMBER 1992

	NOTE	<u>1992</u>	<u>1991</u>
		£	£
<u>FIXED ASSETS</u>			
Tangible assets	3	373	498
<u>CURRENT ASSETS</u>			
Debtors		157	348
Cash at bank		<u>5,987</u>	<u>5,144</u>
		6,144	5,486
<u>CREDITORS: Amounts falling due within one year</u>	4	<u>1,042</u>	<u>2,442</u>
		<u>5,102</u>	<u>3,044</u>
		£5,475	£3,542
		=====	=====
Represented by:			
<u>CAPITAL ACCOUNT</u>			
Balance at 1 January 1992		2,873	3,626
Transfer from Income and Expenditure Account		<u>1,333</u>	(<u>753</u>)
		4,206	2,873
<u>DEVELOPMENT FUND</u>	5	<u>1,269</u>	<u>669</u>
		£5,475	£3,542
		=====	=====

Signed on behalf of the Council of The Federation

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1992

	<u>Note</u>	<u>1992</u> £	<u>1991</u> £
SUBSCRIPTIONS AND DONATIONS		4,193	1,888
Interest receivable		<u>283</u>	<u>121</u>
		4,476	2,009
Administrative expenses		(2,473)	(2,732)
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) BEFORE TAX		2,003	(723)
Tax on surplus/(deficit)	6	<u>70</u>	<u>(30)</u>
SURPLUS/(DEFICIT) AFTER TAX		1,933	(753)
Transfer to the Development Fund		(<u>600</u>)	<u>-</u>
		£1,333 =====	£(753) ===

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1992

1. STATUS OF THE FEDERATION

The Federation was incorporated as a private company limited by Guarantee on 6 June 1986, the word "limited" being omitted by virtue of S.30 of the Companies Act 1985. Under the Memorandum of Association of The Federation, the liability of individual members is restricted to a maximum of £5.

2. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) General

The accounting policies of The Federation conform with generally accepted principles. Where these policies are judged material in determining the result for the period and in stating the financial position of The Federation, details are disclosed in these notes.

(b) Basis of preparation

These financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with applicable accounting standards.

(c) Depreciation

Depreciation is provided at 20% per annum on a straight-line basis, which is considered adequate to write off the cost of office equipment over its estimated useful life.

(d) Subscriptions

Subscriptions for the current and previous years are accounted for on a cash received basis. Amounts received in advance are carried forward.

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1992 - continued

3. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	<u>Office Equipment</u>	
	<u>1992</u>	<u>1991</u>
	£	£
<u>Cost</u>		
At 31.12.1992 and 1.1.1992	£623	£623
	===	===
<u>Depreciation</u>		
At 1.1.1992	125	-
Charge for the year	<u>125</u>	<u>125</u>
	£250	£125
	===	===
<u>Net book value at 31.12.92</u>	£498	£373
	===	===

4. CREDITORS - Amounts falling due within one year:

	<u>1992</u>	<u>1991</u>
	£	£
Bank overdraft	-	1,081
Subscriptions in advance	-	50
Conference and committee expenses	450	750
Other creditors and accruals	522	531
Corporation tax	<u>70</u>	<u>30</u>
	£1,042	£2,442
	=====	=====

5. THE DEVELOPMENT FUND

	<u>1992</u>	<u>1991</u>
	£	£
At 1.1.1992	669	669
Transfer from Income and Expenditure account	<u>600</u>	<u>-</u>
At 31.12.1992	£1,269	£669
	=====	===

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1992 - continued

6. CORPORATION TAX

As a mutual trading association a liability to corporation tax arises only on interest receivable during the year at 25%.

7. DIRECTORS

All members of the Council are considered Directors under the provisions of Companies Act 1985. None of them received any remuneration for their services as Directors.

8. APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

These financial statements were approved by the Council on 15 May 1993.

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DETAILED INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 1992

	<u>NOTE</u>	<u>1992</u>		<u>1991</u>	
		£	£	£	£
<u>INCOME</u>					
Subscriptions	2(d)	3,553		1,663	
Donations		640		225	
Bank interest received		<u>283</u>		<u>121</u>	
		4,476		2,009	
<u>EXPENDITURE</u>					
Photographs		253		-	
Council expenses (including 1991 conference)		(46)		1,035	
Printing, postage and stationery		1,234		773	
Audit and accountancy		470		470	
IEHO Administration fee		-		177	
Annual return filing fee		32		32	
Insurance		30		30	
Depreciation of office equipment		125		125	
Bank charges and interest		64		10	
Miscellaneous		<u>311</u>		<u>140</u>	
		(2,473)		2,732	
<u>SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)</u>					
<u>BEFORE TAX</u>		£2,003		£(723)	
		=====		===	