

IASPM Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

Date and time: **November 14, 2019, 1:00 pm UK time**

Location: multiple places via Skype

Participants: Rupert Till (Chair), Beatriz Goubert (General Secretary), Bernhard Steinbrecher (Membership Secretary), Kimi Kärki (Web/Publications), Andrea Dankić (Sweden), Keewoong Lee (Daegu representative).

Apologies for absence: Simone Krüger, Bernhard Steinbrecher, Catherine Strong (Member-at-large),

1. CONFERENCE UPDATE

KL explains that there are not significant updates. He shared the ideas of the conference with the IASPM local members, but no feedback yet.

Participants reinforce the decision of the conference theme.

Paper call: RT wrote a draft and BG will contribute to it. After the EC has the draft, it will be sent to the organizing committee. RT shared the paper call with Geoff Stahl, chair of the Academic Committee.

KL reports that the local email list includes about 10 members.

All members will take a look at the draft and come with ideas.

Conference Time table: the time table of this conference is on the same times as the previous conference.

Conference time table	
July 2021	conference
April 2021	program
March-April 2020	call for papers

2. FUNDING LOCAL BRANCHES INITIATIVE

RT explains the request of the Benelux branch requesting funding as a way to contribute to the newly created branch. KK suggests that it has to be a transparent process in which all the branches can participate. In emails by Marta she also suggests the possibility of aiding “old” branches as well.

BS suggests to give money for scholarships for students. This money will contribute to subsidize students attending branch conferences. He suggests to name it as “IASPM Academic Scholarships” or similar. In this way, students can add that award to their CV. BS will discuss

with Simone how many students can IASPM fund. Our temporary estimate is about 100-150 dollars per student and have ten scholarships per branch.

We started a discussion on who and how to decide what students to fund, and if this is a decision that will be open for members or branches. Also, how many scholarships to have during the current EC period. Some suggestions: the applicants should write a 200 word-page essay explaining their needs, and branches would measure the students need first. If the EC committee evaluates individual applications, this will imply tons of extra work. Perhaps one of the members of the EC might be part of the local committee that selects the students. This topic should be further discussed once we know the budget. There will be at least nine local conferences to fund, probably 1-2 students funded per branch.

BS will send a draft about the small funds.

RT attended a meeting in Poland, where he discussed the creation of an Eastern European branch. They have requested funding to establish the local branch. IASPM could give \$1,500; this is the amount given to the South East Asia branch. RT will contact Simone to continue the conversation.

3. BOOK PRIZE

AD got in touch with Felipe Trotta, who said that because of her student status she might not be the strongest candidate. RT states that he supports AD's designation as part of the evaluating committee. AD will forward email to RT so that he can talk to Felipe.

4. BRANCH NEWSLETTER

KK created the "Local Branch News" link and left the old newsletters still up.

BS will write to the branches reminding them to publish news, and suggesting to upload the annual report.

KK explains that the Canberra minutes are not up yet. BG will talk to Silvia Martinez, previous general secretary to publish the minutes from the Australia general meeting.

5. MISCELLANEOUS

KK explains that the "unsubscribe" function was added to the mailing list. In this way, people can unsubscribe without writing to the administrator.

RT reports that during a conference of industry people in China he invited the participants to attend the South East Asia branch conference and the IASPM conference in Korea. RT will share with KL the names of the people who attended so that he can forward them invitations to the conference. It would be important to have music industry representatives in the conference.

Next meeting scheduled for December 19th. Members approved to have the meetings 1 hour before: 12m London time.

BG will write to Simone to check her availability starting in January.