

ISCAR Executive Committee Meeting

San Diego, 12 September 2008

Minutes

Members Present:

Manuel Luis de la Mata, Anne Edwards, Inger Eriksson, Marilyn Fleer, Michalis Kontopodis, Fernanda Coelho Liberali, Maria Beatrice Ligorio, Yuji Moro, Morten Nissen, Kevin O'Connor, Sylvia Rojas-Drummond

Invited Persons: Seth Chaiklin

Apologies: Vitaly V. Rubtsov (Russia)

1. Opening and Setting of the Agenda

The president of the association, Marilyn Fleer, opened the meeting and suggested an agenda. The meeting approved the agenda. Seth Chaiklin, the former president of ISCAR, was invited to participate in the Executive Committee as advisor for 2008 and 2009. Seth Chaiklin accepted this invitation.

2. Society business: Articles and standing orders

The expiry date of the following executive orders was prolonged until the next Executive Committee Meeting (30th of October 2009): No 2, 3, 4, 5, 6.

3. Next Congress

It was decided that each Congress should take place on a different continent, if possible also in Asia or Africa. Following this logic, Mexico could not be considered as the next location of the Congress. It was decided that the next conference will take place at the University of Rome, Italy in 2011. The president of the Organizing Committee will be Prof. Anna Maria Ajello. The Congress will be organized in cooperation with the Executive Committee of ISCAR in regards to all structural, financial and content-related aspects. For organizational issues, the Executive Committee advises the local organizing committee of the University of Rome to communicate with the local organizing committee of the University of San Diego, where the last conference took place.

A call for proposals for the Congress of 2014 will be published in one of the next ISCAR Newsletters.

4. Newsletter and Other Communication Forms

The Executive Committee decided that a Newsletter will be published twice a year (on the 1st of February and on the 1st of August). The Newsletter may include short information in different languages on various topics and coming events. Longer information will be published on ISCAR's webpage. **Manuel de la Mata** will collect and edit all information to be published, and **Michalis Kontopodis** will be responsible for technical and editorial support and for the coordination and communication with the webpage team. All Executive Committee Members are responsible for providing all relevant information from the local and thematic groups until, respectively, the 30th of December and the 30th of June.

5. Membership

Issues regarding membership recruiting and membership benefits were discussed. It was decided that continuous membership for three years should be made possible. **Kevin**

O'Connor is responsible for communicating with publishers to pursue and renew membership benefits (if possible also for 3 years). **Beatrice Ligorio** is responsible for all other issues related to membership.

6. Next Executive Committee Meeting

It was decided that the next Executive Committee Meeting will be held in October 2009 at the University of Rome.

7. Closing the Executive Committee Meeting

The President closed the meeting and thanked all members and Seth Chaiklin for participation.

Michalis Kontopodis
Secretary

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