



**MINUTES OF THE ICOS BOARD MEETING
HELD ONLINE, VIA ZOOM, ON 22 AUGUST 2021**

Board members: Paula Sjöblom (PS, chair), Alina Bugheşiu (AB, secretary), Emilia Aldrin (EA), Urszula Bijak (UB), Alice Crook (AC), Artur Galkowski (AG), Nobuhle Hlongwa (NH), Lasse Hämäläinen (LH), Adrian Koopman (AK), Alexandra Petrulevich (AP), Katalin Reszegi (KR), Eugen Schochenmaier (ES).

Editor-in-Chief of *Onoma*: Oliviu Felecan (OF).

1. Opening of the meeting and apologies

The meeting was opened at 17:00 CEST. All the members of the Board and the Editor-in-Chief of *Onoma* participated.

2. Confirmation of the Agenda

The agenda was adopted without the addition of new items to the plan of discussions originally disseminated via e-mail by PS before the meeting.

3. Minutes of the previous meeting (on Zoom, 18 June 2021)

The minutes of the meeting of the Board of Directors held on Zoom, on 18 June 2021, will be approved via email.

4. Matters arising (e.g. examiners of the ICOS accounts)

According to the ICOS Statutes, two examiners of the ICOS accounts need to be appointed. The Board approved the nomination of Leila Mattfolk and Väinö Syrjälä in this respect.

5. Organisation of the General Assembly (Zoom, 25 August 2021)

The draft agenda of the General Assembly was approved during the meeting of the ICOS Board of Directors on 18 June 2021, as follows:

1. Welcome: stating the number of members present
2. Confirmation of the agenda
3. Approval of the minutes of the previous General Assembly (Debrecen 2017)
4. Matters arising (NB: two outside reviewers for approving the minutes needed)
5. President's report
6. Secretary's report
7. Treasurer's report
8. Report on *Onoma*
9. Report of the Terminology Group
10. Report of the Bibliographical Database Group
11. Webmaster's report
12. Report of the PR Group
13. Postgraduate Representative's report
14. Change to the ICOS Statutes
15. Elections of the new ICOS Board (2021–2024)

16. Presentation of the 2024 Congress venue (Helsinki)
17. Any other business

The smooth progress of the meeting was discussed. Among others, the system of voting the members of the new Board of Directors was decided. Members of ICOS participating in the General Assembly will have to complete a poll, in which they can choose any of the three options for each candidate on the list: “Yes”, “No”, “Abstain”. If floor nominations are recorded during the meeting of the General Assembly, the new candidates will be added to the list. Floor nominations would be made before the candidates’ self-presentations.

6. The Board members’ reports for the General Assembly

- a. President’s report
- b. Secretary’s report
- c. Treasurer’s report
- d. *Onoma* Editor in Chief’s report and the future volumes of *Onoma*
- e. Report of the Terminology Group
- f. Report of the Bibliographical Database Group
- g. Webmaster’s report
- h. Report of the PR Group
- i. Postgraduate Representative’s report

The reports to be delivered before the General Assembly have already been presented during the meeting of the Board of Directors on 18 June 2021. Thus, the reports were only reviewed to see if any new items needed to be added. They were subsequently approved for presentation before the General Assembly on 25 August 2021.

7. The change of ICOS Statutes

AP has prepared a draft for the updated articles 8.1, 9 and 9.1 of the Statutes (the changes are marked in yellow):

Article 8.1

The General Assembly discusses and directs the general policy of the organization according to the aims described in article 3. The General Assembly elects, through secret ballot, both the ex officio and **five** at-large members of the Board of Directors.

Article 9 Board of Directors

The organization is administered by a Board of Directors. The Board of Directors consists of the President, two Vice-Presidents, the Secretary, the Treasurer, **the Vice-Treasurer** and the Assistant Secretary and **five** at-large members.

Article 9.1

The President, the two Vice-Presidents, the Secretary, the Treasurer, **the Vice-Treasurer** and the Assistant Secretary will ex officio constitute the Executive Committee of the organization. The Treasurer **and the Vice-Treasurer** have individual signatory right.

It was decided that the members participating in the General Assembly would vote the change of the Statutes by means of show of hands. At the same time, if no objections are raised, the modification of the Statutes will be considered approved.

8. Nominees for the next Board of Directors (2021–2024)

AB has sent the updated list of candidates to the members of ICOS (see Newsletter 30):

Name and country	Position
Katalin Reszegi (Hungary)	President
Yolanda Guillermina López Franco (Mexico)	Vice-President
Peter Jordan (Austria)	Vice-President
Vladislav Alpatov (Russia)	Secretary
Alexandra Petrulevich (Sweden)	Treasurer
Daniel Solling (Sweden)	Vice-Treasurer
Eugen Schochenmaier (Germany)	Assistant Secretary and Web Officer
Brittnee Leysen (UK)	Non-Executive Officer (Postgraduate Representative)
Fatemeh Akbari (Austria)	Non-Executive Officer
Artur Gałkowski (Poland)	Non-Executive Officer
Halszka Górny (Poland)	Non-Executive Officer
Lasse Hämäläinen (Finland)	Non-Executive Officer
Márcia Sipavicius Seide (Brazil)	Non-Executive Officer

The candidates will be given 2 minutes to present themselves before the members of the General Assembly.

9. Next meeting (Zoom, 27 August 2021, at 14:00–14:30)

On the last day of the 27th ICOS, the joint meeting of the outgoing and the newly elected Boards of ICOS will be held. It is a symbolic reunion to celebrate the transition from one Board to another.

10. Any other business

No other business was noted.

11. Closing

PS warmly thanked the Board members for their collaboration in the past four years (an extended term in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic). In return, the President received the Board's appreciation for the excellent way in which she chaired the Board during this term of office. The meeting was closed at 19:15 CEST.

Alina Bugheșiu
Secretary of ICOS
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