



State of Affairs Meeting (SAM) of the International Students of History Association, was held at the ISHA Annual Conference 2016 on Tuesday, the 29th of March, 2016 in Canterbury, England.

1) Opening

2) Appointment of Minute-Taker

3) Taking down of Attendance

4) Presentation of new Material

Leaflet (postponed to GA)

Parts of the new homepage

Manuals

- How to organise an event
- GA Manual
- Welcome Guide
- Officials of ISHA
- Structure of ISHA

5) Reports from the Officials

International Board

Council

6) Presentation of ISHA Graz' Seminar publication

10 Minute Break

7) Reports from Member and Observer Sections

8) Future development of ISHA

9) Varia

1. Opening of SAM

The SAM was opened at 16.31 on March 30th, 2016.

2. Appointment of Minute Taker

Elke is appointed as Minute Taker for the SAM/GA.

3. Taking Attendance

International Board:

President: Daria Lohmann (Berlin)

Vice-presidents: Lisbeth Matzer (Graz)

Anthony Grally (St Etienne)

Secretary: Elke Close (Edinburgh)

Council Members:

Pia Nagl (Vienna)

Nina Kraus (Berlin)

Anna Vrtalkova (Prague)

Vincent Regente (Berlin)

Archivist: Georg Gänser (Vienna)

Member sections:

Graz: Markus Wurzer, Susanne Korbel, Lisbeth Matzer, Doris Stadler, Michaela Mayrhofer, Maria Sonnleithner, Anita Bacher, Moritz Deininger, Martin Reichstam

Warsaw: Sebastian Żbik, Igor Niewiadomski

St Etienne: Thomas Justin, Anthony Grally

Kent: Lottie Brouwer, Giles Connolly, Ben Harding, Sam Cook, Vicky Buck

Paris: Alexandre Faure, Clara Peterlik, Lilla Zámbo

Vienna: Georg Gänser, Pia Nagl, Ruth Goren, Clara Peterlik, Martin Preinesberger, Flora Fuchs

Olomouc: Eliška Krahulíková, Natália Krátká,

Nicosia: Stavroula Kozakou, Maria Sotiriou

Sofia: Anita Volova, Maria Valkova

Prague: Anna Kolárová, Anna Vrtalkova

Maribor: David Kramberger, Domen Kodrič

Ljubljana: Irina Lešnik, Daniel Siter, Barbara Habit, Jože Glavič

Berlin: Tamara Pataki, Daria Lohmann, Vincent Regente, Nicole Hanisch, Linda Alpermann, Luisa Jabs, Carina-Rebecca Pansch, Hannes Tabatt, Klara Schwalbe

Budapest: Bence László Bari, Tamás Sárhegyi, Dorottya Bartha

Turku: Marjaana Tuominen, Pauli Rossi

Jena: Sarah Ulrich, Franziska Hahn

Milan: Francesca Montecucco, Nicola Comaianni, Antonio Mario La Commare

Helsinki: Aleksii Järvinen

Marburg: Jan Brack

Rome: Flavia Caruso

Observer Sections:

Eger: Diana Sellyei, David Szepesi

Zagreb: Zvonimir Plavec, Lara Zelić, Iris Živičnjak

Osijek: Toni Šafer, Andrea Kovačević, Adam Tuković

Split: Anamarija Bašić

Guests: Miriam Lunge (Regensburg) and Ruth Pope (Munster)

4. Presentation of New Material

The officials have been working on a lot of new material and through this we want to let the GA know what we have done.

1. Leaflet

Was not ready for the SAM, but should arrive in time for the GA.

2. Website

As you might have seen, the website has been having some issues during this term year. But an interim website is almost completed and should be up for use by next week due to Nina's hard work. This new homepage aims to reflect the diversity of all the ISHA sections and while it contains no individual section pages, there are links to their website or Facebookpage. If you want to be featured on the homepage, send Daria contact details. The homepage should be easy to use both for the sections as well as those people who are new to ISHA and want more info. At the moment the domainname is not the right one, but this will be rectified in a few days. (The design of the website is greeted with applause from the GA). The design will be further changed and the slideshow with the picture should end up as a banner at the top of the page. If you send in pictures from events, they will be featured for things like this. All important documents are also on there for the sections to use, such as minutes, manuals, templates and even promotional material for your own personal use and that of the sections. If you want to have something on the homepage, be sure to send it to the webmaster. Of course the site also features extra news, upcoming events, the newsletter, and most issues of Carnival. Alumni can find more information on the alumni network and people new to ISHA have an entire section of information with a whole range of documents. There is also a new map with all of the section contact details including links to their homepage, Facebookpage and a contact form. There are options for future to e-mail addressed linked to the domainname @isha-international.org.

3. Manuals

- How-to-organise-an-event-manual: This is the new and revised version which can also be found on the website. Several things have been changed since Marburg. The officials also want to call to out to Kent, Rome and Paris to think about any problems that they feel should be included in the manual. Any other people who can think of problems concerning the organisation of events in

different countries, get them to Lisbeth. The content page starts with fundraising is then goes on communication logistics and the application process, selection guidelines and communication tips, tips for online promotion and creating the best presence for your sections which is important for fundraising. Following the preparation work is another section dealing with the different parts of the programme: academic, cultural, social, accommodation and food, all of which is to be provided by the organising section, and lastly what to do after the event. If you are organising a seminar/conference, enjoy it and pay your bills!

- GA Manual: There was another version which had not been updated in a long time and had the look as if it had been made in the 90's. Mostly FAQ with links to the statutes and standing orders to check the answers.
- Welcome guide: Is now one part of the procedure to become a member or observer section. It includes all of the things that people not familiar with ISHA need to know in order to found a section.
- Officials' Manual: This one is also updated so it lets you know who is doing what, details the actual things that have to be done by each individual.
- Structure: Was already updated and has thus not changed.
- Contact details: Are constantly kept up to date which is an ongoing process so make sure to get the details to IB. When the list is complete, it will be sent to all of the sections everyone has all of the section contact details.
- Archivist manual: The new version is a bit more compliant to actual international archival rules. It contains general information what it is about, what material you should choose according to its value, importance and evidence, what needs to be stored. All of the sent in material will be sorted according to the archival plan in which each section will get a code specific for them. Material should be sent to Georg (only paper files for now with clear descriptions) and he will check it before sending it on. Concerning specific things such as posters, this depends on what it is part of, it will most likely be included in a bigger folder. The archive itself is to be based in Leuven.

5. Reports from the officials

1. Council:

1. Pia

Pia has been responsible for the revival of the alumni network and so she naturally asked what the alumni wanted by creating a questionnaire and sending it out to over 300 people. Out of those 54 answered and their responses are summarised as follows: they mostly wanted to stay in contact with other alumni, come and talk about their jobs at events and maybe even help others in their potential job search. They were also asked about the network: what did they want to do, how did they see it, did they want to meet, etc. The alumni considered a three-day-event could be good with mixed participants without high participation fees. In return the alumni could organise workshops, give key

note sessions, talk potential work experiences.. What is the next step? Have an alumni committee, consisting of a council member and alumnus who then hold a small meeting and potentially get a result by Osijek. Can we integrate them in the seminar? It is an original idea but at the moment there is nothing keeping them away and we do involve them in other ways (key note, workshops) So when are you an alumni? Someone is an alumni who was somehow involved with ISHA but at present is not studying or active in ISHA anymore, it is a rather flexible definition.

2. Vincent:

He has mainly concerned himself with the PhD stuff such as the establishment of the PhD workshops and getting these to be introduced into the seminars. He has also been working on a PhD roundtable at every event and the establishment of the PhD committee.

3. Nina

Has been maintaining social media and working on the website.

4. Teemu

Designed the header for the website and has been working on the design of the leaflet.

2. International Board:

1. Elke

Has mainly been busy with paperwork: certificates, layout, minutes, etc. and answering e-mails.

2. Anthony

Has been committed to the external relations of ISHA by maintaining partnerships with these people, attending meetings, participating in events such as ESC organised by ESU (of which ISHA is an associate member and thus has been contributing to this organisation). He also met with RRC, IFISO (sharing ideas on student representation), studyportals(which providing help for students who need it in different ways), EGEA, EAS (agriculture students) and Euroclio. His report of all of this will be ready by Osijek.

3. Lisbeth

How-to-organise-manual took up a lot of her time. She has also been coordinating with EGEA on an event they are organising in Marburg in the summer as ISHA is an official partner. ISHA will therefore spread the call for participants and workshop leaders. She has also been helping ISHA Jerusalem to get into shape, working on the fundraising committee and just generally helping whenever needed.

4. Roberto:

Due to other commitments, Roberto will quit being the treasurer after the AC. In order to make sure all of the treasurer's responsibilities will still be taken of, the new treasurer would take over immediately. If the GA is on board with this.

5. Daria

She has mostly been making sure everything was okay with the website, manuals, funding and trying to keep in contact with sections, alongside completing other various projects.

6. Flavia

Is working on Carnival and will have published 3 volumes by the time she is done. A next call for papers will be sent out in the next few months.

6. Overview of candidates:

1. President: Benjamin Harding and Anthony Grally
2. VP: Lillá Zambó, Bence Laszlo Bari and Giles Connely
3. Treasurer: Hannes Tabatt
4. Secretary: Miriam Eisleb
5. Council: Moritz Deininger, Klara Schwalbe, Iris Zjisniak, Domen Kodric, Vincent Regente, Tersa Lyckova, David Kramberger, Zvonimir Plavec, Natalia Kratka
6. Editor: Alexandra Leonzini and Alexndre Faure
7. Webmaster: Elke Close

7. Presentation of Seminar Book

ISHA Graz is happy to present a nice keepsake of the week spent in Graz in the form of a seminar book. It seems to have been a very arduous process to get it published but it is completely in English with introductions written by the organisers and etc., key note speech with comments and pictures.

8. Sections:

1. Zagreb

The have recently undertaken trip to Sarajevo and are attracting new members yet they still hope to improve both themselves and their website further.

2. Split

ISHA Split is organising a regional seminar just for the adriatic countries which they are hoping to turn into an erasmus plus seminar by cooperating with other countries. It will take place in the last week of September after the Berlin seminar.

3. Prague

They are trying to involve more active first years and might consider organising a seminar next or the year after that.

4. Osijek

Is working on the summer seminar from July 11-16 with a total number of 45 participants in 5 workshops and an additional PhD round table and day trips. Everything you need to know is on Facebook and the website as well as in the newsletter and on the new homepage.

5. Milan

A growing member section which is organising new local events with EGEA and getting a stronger voice within the university. They might be thinking of a local project for high school students interested in history to increase the influx of new people each year and make a video about ISHA Milan.

In connection to the video, the officials did try to get someone to come to an event and create one, a place was reserved but in the end it did not work out.

6. Eger

Has only been new section since last autumn and would like to be a member section, so in the next months they want to get more people involved and organise a preparing workshop with ISHA Budapest and in general they want to spread the ISHA feeling.

7. Edinburgh

Is still an observer section and nothing is really happening there.

8. Warsaw

They are focusing on expanding relations with students from Eastern Europe and leaving for a conference in Moscow soon. Furthermore, a conference will be organised in September in Lviv as well but more importantly they are trying to improve their position in Warsaw University.

9. Vienna

A small section has done several activities like a small weekend seminar with Graz about the remembrance culture with about 20 participants. They have another idea to improve regional contact with other university cities in your own countries and spread this into ISHA.

10. Turku

Has a new board and they are part of a bigger section of student associations and they are planning a pub quiz.

11. Sofia

Are holding meetings to involve new people and are a fast growing section.

12. St Etienne

They are currently busy with the organisation of the Paris seminar and the Annual Conference in Strasbourg as well as other local activities.

13. Rome

Are organising their first seminar but the loss of a lot of members is bit of a problem that is slightly compromised by a couple of new members, so they are hoping to get more people involved through the seminar for which they are very excited.

14. Paris

Is a very international section and have included other people from the sections in the organisation of the seminar (Paris, Strasbourg, St Etienne, Lausanne, Rome, Eger), and are also excited for the seminar.

15. Olomouc

Is growing, they now have 25 members, a new website and are involved in many local events such as book clubs and events with EGEA Olomouc.

16. Nicosia

More members are coming and events are hosted by them. Everything is going great.

17. Maribor

New elections have taken place with Domen as president. They have a string of local events such as lecture series from students for students and things in cooperation with Graz and Budapest. They grew from 8 to 19 members.

18. Marburg

They have spent some time cleaning up after the seminar after which they have too much money left but they have not attracted as many new members as they hoped to through the seminar. They are doing another fieldtrip to the castle to which everyone is invited.

19. Ljubljana

They have done more local events like a movie night and visits to museums or archives, they are organising a symposium in May and have new statutes and another Klio journal should be finished soon and are hoping cooperation with ISHA Koper-Trieste to try to get things started again.

20. Kent

Things have been going great. They have 30 members and good relations with the local history societies and the universities. They have done a lot of activities for fundraising, in the longterm they want to help others to get things started again and mostly preventing the section from dying out.

21. Jena

Is gaining new members and local things are going great, they are organising a trip for Erasmus students to promote ISHA.

22. Helsinki

The section has a new board and is really committed to the organisation of the summer seminar.

23. Graz

Has had several cooperations with ISHA Vienna, Budapest, Maribor and EGEE. The autumn seminar created a lot of new members and they have had two thematic workshops and a how-to-publish workshop.

24. Budapest

Are expanding locally by staying in contact with all the different universities with a lot of new members and thus a lot of people are informed and are giving out information. They are organising the New Year's seminar in addition to local events.

25. Berlin

So far their museumcrawls have been successful and they are very busy with the organisation of the autumn seminar.

26. Leuven

The situation is still the same.

9. Varia

Do not forget to get the spare copy of the booklet!

10. Closing of SAM

This state of affairs was closed at 19:02.