General Assembly (GA)
of the International Students of History Association, was held at
the ISHA Summer Seminar on Friday, the 13th of July 2018 in
Warsaw, Poland.

Agenda:

1) Opening Adam Tukovic opens the GA at 10:15
2) Appointment of Speaker: Adam Tukovic is appointed as the speaker.
3) Appointment of Minute-Taker: Tamara Pataki is appointed as the minute
taker
4) Taking the Attendance
   a) Proxys: in total 16 votes
      i. ISHA Jena → ISHA Vienna
      ii. ISHA Split → ISHA Osijek
      iii. ISHA Rome → ISHA Berlin
   b) Attending
      i. ISHA Belgrade
      ii. ISHA Berlin
      iii. ISHA Budapest
      iv. ISHA Graz
      v. ISHA Helsinki
      vi. ISHA Maribor
      vii. ISHA Marburg
      viii. ISHA Sofia
      ix. ISHA Vienna
      x. ISHA Warsaw
      xi. ISHA Zadar
      xii. ISHA Osijek
      xiii. ISHA Blagoevgrad
5) Reading the agenda: No comment or amendment to the agenda.
6) Review and approval of the minutes of the GA in Maribor
   a) Questions, Voting
   b) Vote: 16 y 0 n 0 a
7) Upcoming events
   a) Autumn Seminar 2018 in Skopje, Macedonia
      “History through Music”
      Date: 20 – 26 September 2018
Adam Tukovic (PMC contact person for the Skopje Seminar): everything is going fine, the financial background is ensured. The application period will open soon.

b) **Regional Seminar in Budapest, Hungary**
   
   Topic: To be announced
   
   Date: 23 – 26 May 2018

c) **Extra Seminar in Ghent, Belgium**
   
   Topic: “Remembering the First World War – 100th Anniversary of Armistice Day”
   
   Date: 24 – 27 October 2018
   

d) **New Year’s Seminar 2019 in Marburg, Germany**
   
   Topic: Memory spaces
   
   Date: 7 – 13 January 2019
   
   Hostel is booked, they are applying for funding, the call for workshop leaders is currently out. Preparations are going fine.

e) **Spring Seminar 2019 in Belgrade, Serbia**
   
   Topic: Deconstruction of Myths about women in History
   
   Date: Mid April 2019
   
   They are currently outlining the seminar, the planning just started.

   **Vote: 16 y 0 n 0 a**

   **The GA approves the seminar.**

f) **Summer Seminar 2019 in Berlin, Germany**
   
   Topic: “Walls in History”
   
   Date: 29 July – 4 August 2019
   
   Klara Schwalbe ISHA Berlin: preparation is going well: the workshops are under construction, they started to apply for funding, the hostel is booked, Anselm (ISHA Ghent) is the PMC contact person for the Seminar.

g) **Annual Conference 2019 in Budapest, Hungary**
   
   Topic: ?
   
   Date: ?
   
   They just started planning the Seminar, more information is coming soon.
   
   They are currently setting up an organization team.

   **Vote: 16 y 0 n 0 a**

   **The GA approves the seminar.**

h) **Applications**
   
   **No applications**

8) **Reports of Sections**
a) **ISHA Maribor:** We organised a few guided tours during Maribor's Lent festival, otherwise we're recovering from AC with not much other activities. Will resume at full speed with the start of the new school year.

b) **ISHA Ghent:** "ISHA Ghent is in the middle of the holidays now, however we're doing a lot of effort on preparing the Extra Seminar in October and preparing the new academic year. The logo, the program and the general description of our seminar has been released recently, the workshop descriptions will be released Monday-Friday (every day one) during the Summer Seminar. The application period will be open 15-25 July! Apply as soon as you get back home from Warsaw!"

c) **ISHA Zadar:** From ISHA Annual Conference 2018 until now, ISHA Zadar has done a couple of different activities. First one is our local annual conference called "Days of history" which took place from 10th to 12th of April at Univeristy of Zadar. Being our longest-running project, "Days of history" each year have a different topic. This year the topic was "Militarism and pacifism". On the first day we organized series of sixt lectures in chronological order. Lectures were held by professors from our Department of history as well as from other University of Zadar's Departments. On the second day we organized five student's workshops with the aim of presenting the concept of workshops (typical for ISHA seminars) to our younger members and to history students who aren't member of ISHA as well. We thought it would be a good way of representing to them what ISHA is really about and to encourage them to apply for future ISHA events. On the last day we organized the round table about 100th anniversary of the end of First World War. Later we held an interesting pub quiz and threw a party for all the participants.

Week after that, we went on a two-day field trip to Herzegovina together with our professors. On the first day we visited Franciscan monasteries in Tomislavgrad, Rama and Široki Brijeg. Next day we visited the city of Mostar, together with Blagaj and Kravice. Our hosts in Mostar were dear colleagues from Club of history students "Filip Lastrić" who were our guides and showed us the city.

During April and May we also organized two movie projections – "Hotel Ruanda" and "Spotlight". Before the start, our members prepared a little introduction, and after end of both movies we had an interesting discussion.

During the whole summer semester, five of our members who were elected to be in Editorial Board of our journal „Rostra“, worked on a new volume. The job is almost finished and the presentation of new volume of "Rostra" will be held in October 2018.
d) **ISHA Marburg:** The past semester, ISHA Marburg has been busy with first preparations for the New Year’s Seminar 2019. Central part of those preparations were field trips to different museums in Frankfurt as potential destinations for the seminar’s day trip. For example, we went to the Städel Museum, containing one of Germany’s largest art collection covering over 700 years of European art; and had a lot of fun at the Bibel-Museum, an interactive exhibition dealing with the history of the Bible. At home, we had the utmost pleasure to welcome Angana from ISHA Berlin to hold a presentation about her PhD research into the literary figure of the ‘Fairy King’. Again, ISHA Marburg would like to thank Angana for the great lecture, and we would like to encourage more international ISHA members, who’d like to visit Marburg and present their research, to get in contact with our section. We’re always looking for opportunities to host you 😊

Regarding our section: We’re alive and kicking ass, and for once, we’re growing in numbers. ISHA Marburg is looking forward to hosting the ISHA New Year’s Seminar 2019 under the topic of “Memory Spaces” and would like to remind everyone that we’re currently looking for workshop leaders. Information can be found on our website or by asking our representative (Raphael) at the current Seminar.

e) **ISHA Vienna:** The situation of Isha Vienna did not change much since the last GA. We are still largely focusing on small local events while trying to recruit members for our section and generally having a good time. From May 18th to the 21th Isha Vienna also visited had visitor(s) from Isha Budapest as part of an exchange weekend. As all that goes around, comes around ISHA Vienna will also visit Budapest this summer for a weekend. During this semester Isha Vienna will also try to continue to gather more members. In order to achieve this we will continue to focus on small social events like Isha Museum visits and Game nights. Additionally, Isha Vienna is continuing to cooperate with the Mentoring programme for new history students at the university to increase our visibility.

f) **ISHA Jena:** Our summer term program will end in July with our monthly meeting and a hike near Jena. Looking back, the highlights of the past months were our excursion to the baroque castle Heidecksburg near Rudolstadt, Thuringia and several private excursions to for example the memorial Mittelbau-Dora near Nordhausen and the Kyffhäuser monument, both Thuringia. You can find awesome pictures on our Facebook site. Also, we had regular meetings, historical guides tours through Jena and a hike that was very well visited.

ISHA Jena is going to face a lot of change soon. Most of our members will leave Jena and Germany, so we did some kind of farewell excursions around
our section area. The remaining section members will be (younger and) focusing on finding new members in the upcoming winter term.

Planning the winter term, there will be guided tours in several cities around and hikes around Jena. We plan to have seminar days in memorials to address mostly German students as future new members! Also, the cooperation between ISHA Jena and the Student Council of Students of History Jena will increase.

We are looking forward to the next conferences. We thank the IB for their work and are happy to send our proxy vote. Thanks for your support!

g) **ISHA Berlin**: ISHA Berlin is currently focused on the seminar preparation and organization of the summer seminar 2019. Right now we are looking for workshop leaders in Berlin and we are shaping and planning the academic program. Furthermore we are looking for money sources and are applying for several funding partners and also academic partners. For instance we applied for the Iron Curtain Project which applies for an EU grand with several projects. Our seminar will be one of them. Besides the seminar preparation we are also organizing events within Berlin. In the past weeks we visited the zoo, had several movie nights – one highlight was the Open Air movie night where we saw “The Death of Stalin” – and we visited an exhibition about the Stalinist terror. Last but not least we organized an ISHA & Friends pub evening.

h) **ISHA Osijek**: Members of ISHA Osijek and the Association of Students of English "Glotta" organized the student conference titled "Comparative History of Great Britain and the USA: marginalized groups, political systems, and ideologies", which was held in Osijek, from 24 to 25 May 2018. Eight presenters took part in the conference, all of whom are students of History or English. Alongside the presenters from our Faculty, two members of the Student Club X.a. from Zagreb took part in the conference and they held their presentations in English.

Both conference days were opened by keynote lectures, the one on Thursday being held by Professors from the Department of English, and the one on Friday held by Professor from the Department of History. The main aim of this conference was to establish a cooperative and cordial relationship between the members of Glotta and ISHA Osijek and our multidisciplinary conference successfully reached its goal.

Along with the academic part of the programme, Thursday evening afforded the participants a chance to attend a Pub Quiz about the history and culture of Anglophone countries. The students and professors from both Departments tested their knowledge and learnt something new in the non-academic part of the program.
i) **ISHA Split:** Finally, we didn't have any activities since the last time we were in Newsletter, but we'll give you a hint that we plan to organize an event that will be held in September and October on a local level.

j) **ISHA Budapest:** Organized an exchange to ISHA Vienna. Many members of the section graduated, they are currently working on recruiting members.

k) **ISHA Warsaw:** Worked on organizing this seminar. The GA Thanks ISHA Warsaw for organizing. Some members did a study trip.

l) **ISHA Belgrade:** They have been very active in the spring, they are recruiting new members, but many of them cannot attend international seminars. For this seminar 3 members came, the numbers are slowly growing. Locally, they organize lectures. They established a club and a student magazine, where students can submit their own papers. They are looking for submissions in English, Croatian and Serbian. There is no topic for the first issue of the paper. The contact person is Alexander, they have a facebook page. Furthermore, the section organizes exhibitions and trips.

m) **Domen Kodric (Council):** share your calls with ISHA international, so that they can circulate it.

n) **ISHA Helsinki:** They are still recovering from the last seminar and have a very few members. They tried to recruit some freshmen.

o) **ISHA Sofia:** Organizing movie nights and discussions with lecturer. They presented ISHA on university fairs and plan to keep on with that. They organized a donation of books for local libraries for the Bulgarian minority in Albania. They have around 10-15 active members.

p) **ISHA Blagoevgrad:** This is the newest ISHA section. There are 10-15 interested students. End November they are planning to organize public lectures, where they invite professors from other universities.

q) **ISHA Graz:** They worked on finishing the financing of the AC Maribor. Organizes round tables a pub quizzes. They voted for a new board, there are some new members involved. They also keep contact and organize local gathering together with EGEA. ISHA Graz was invited to present them university fairs.

9) **Reports of ISHA International**

a) **International Board**

i. **Lucija Balikić, President:** Since the General Assembly of ISHA that took place in Maribor I ensured the regular Skype meetings of the ISHA officials and have overlooked the workings of all the committees. I participated in the several meetings regarding the organisation of the ISHA Summer Seminar in Warsaw and gave some suggestions about handling the hardships ISHA Warsaw encountered while preparing for the seminar. I also reviewed ISHA
Ghent’s application for a loan from ISHA International and participated in discussions about it. Before the Spring IFISO (International Forum of Informal Student Organisations) meeting I engaged in preparing ISHA representative for that event and helped update the promotional and informational materials he needed to present there. Furthermore, I attempted to engage more sections to apply for participation in the Iron Curtain project that ISHA is conducting together with EGEA. Having been faced with the officials’ appeal for more projects, I also gave several innovative ideas about projects that would engage ISHA members in the activities of academic character such as awards for the best MA thesis or essay competitions. Finally, I facilitated the discussion and solution-seeking process for ISHA’s adaption to the new EU law about data protection, as well as the ongoing relationship with the Berlin court. I am currently in the process of enabling a smooth handover between the current and the future officials, which specifically means that I will meet with the future president and the IB in person and discuss the most pressing issues and ongoing projects that ISHA will conduct. After my term as president is over, I will try to remain active in ISHA by participating in the seminars and doing some work for the PMC, especially regarding the upcoming seminars in Belgrade in Budapest.

ii. **Miriam Eisleb, Vice-President:** At first, I like to say how sorry I am that I can’t attend my last seminar as an official. Reality has caught up with me and I finished my studies as well as starting to work in July. I hope I will be able to join another seminar as an alumnus. My main task in the last months was the rebirth of our newsletter. I sent out an edition for the first quarter of the year and one for May, soon the June version will come out. For these three editions, I was happy enough with the content and number of submission. But it is going down again. If you want this newsletter to be published at least once a month, you really need to get active, as sections, officials and members, and hand in your articles or the newsletter will die again soon.

Another focus of this quarter was the updating of our website to the needs of our new statutes with which I helped our unofficial webmaster. Unfortunately, the evaluation for participants was not used in Maribor though I repeatedly asked the organizers. So, I can’t give you an update on that. Due to the disturbing acts of sexual
harassment during the AC, I was part of the force who worked on banning this person from ISHA activities and I hope this will be a sign to everyone.

Also, I am still part of the PMC and worked on a report of the evaluation of the AC. Furthermore, I joined the skype meetings with the IB and ISHA Warsaw to ensure the best possible support for the organization of the summer seminar.

As Vice-President and part of the IB, my other important task was to help with the changing of the seat. Together with Matej and Tamara I kept the communication with the notary and the German court going. They repeatedly had difficulties with our statutes and due to misunderstandings on both sides, it took us a while to figure out the problem. Tamara will send out another and hopefully correct version soon and – fingers crossed – the court will except them this time.

I helped Tamara with organizing the GA and setting up the agenda for the Warsaw seminar – again, I wish I could be there with you!

iii. **Dániel Molnár, Vice-President**: The past term was very busy for all of us. As for my part, Miriam and me run the Project Management Committee, and updated all the manuals, so they can be used for the new ISHA structure. We also added many useful information, based on recent experiences, to the Event Organization Manual.

In the past months I continued discussion with Sergio C. Gamboa, the representative of the Economic History Society. Together with Lucia, we created a draft proposal, what the GA accepts, we can add EHS as our partner organization. It is a good opportunity for both organizations to increase visibility and membership.

I also started to work with some people from EGEA on the Historical Paths project. I really hope that many ISHA people will take part in it. I also hope that as this project aims to activate more student in France, maybe we can have French ISHA members sooner or later.

Sadly, the project had to be postponed due to lack of funds and a relatively low activity and small number of applications from the members to be station managers.

With Tasha, found some new founding possibilities, connected to the „Year of Cultural Heritage” 2018. We hope that the events of the following year can use this possibility to get more funds. So far some sections were interested in this, I sent them all the info necessary regarding application for funds. I also monitored – with other
officials - the preparation of the upcoming local and international events, helping where we could.

In cooperation with EGEA and other student NGO-s, we started to build a network for Trainers. To be part of it effectively, we would need to establish a “Training Committee”, so we could be able to organize events (much like How to ISHA so far) where people would get useful know-how about event organizing, creating and maintaining a section, recruiting new members, and so on. Hopefully we would be able to train people for a local level section-management, making sections more stable and professional in practical issues. Hopefully, in the next weeks I will create a draft manual for this training sessions, based on the programs of other organizations. (so if you read it before or at Warsaw, there is a chance that it will be there)

For this we can get useful material from other NGOs and even can invite their trainers for our events. As some of these organizations cover a much wider part of their subject/discipline, I think we could make profite from it. I ask for 3-7 people to start this new committee, and I'll contact them with the networks, so they can start to integrate us into it

Natasha Rieke, Treasurer: The current bank balance is 3.271,13 EUR.

In the term 2017-18 we made a loss of 446,01€ due to the fact that we supported the Summer Seminar in Warsaw with 960,00€.

In the term of 2017 / 2018 we had 24 member sections, which create an income from 1250,00 EUR.

For the upcoming term you still can become an active member from ISHA International.

If you want to become an activ member for the next term you can still pay the membership fee of 10,00 €.

I was looking for more information about the Wikistage, but unfortunately the contact person didn’t answere me back. After thinking about crowdfunding I found out that all the platforms are a bit difficult and I decided not to use them. The only platform which I might consider would be Patreon, but for the details I will talk with the future treasurer.

It would be great if there are more people at the fundraising committee the next terms because we will need people to apply for Erasmus+ program, after our registration.
During the last months I did some research for a new bank account. The current bank account can't be changed until ISHA International becomes a registered society. I will give the information about the new bank which I found out to the new treasurer. The handover process with the new treasurer already started. We will discuss this topic in detail in the next days. Unfortunately we didn't have the chance to do that during the official handover in Budapest. We will meet in Berlin to do our own little handover there.

The financial report and the documents will be forwarded to the treasury committee as soon as possible.

iv. Tamara Pataki, Secretary: Since the Conference in Maribor I continued the regular administrative obligations of the secretary, collected the participation records and sent out the certificates (at this place a big thank you for Miriam and Yordana for their great help in preparing the certificates). Besides administrative activities (occasionally making certificates for your activities) I was very engaged in the preparation for the seminar in Warsaw. For ISHA International I prepared this GA together with Miriam. Another big part of my work is registering the ISHA in Berlin. Unfortunately it is still not done, due to some misunderstandings: the Court confused two paragraphs of the statutes, and they are not allowing us to submit a proper form, as they do not recognise it as the one we voted for in Zagreb. Still, I am confident, that it can be sorted out soon.

b) Council

i. Domen Kodrič: As an acting webmaster, I did the same job as this whole term as council member, updating the ISHA website and Facebook. Nothing special to report here.

But as a vice-president elect I contacted several people from 6 Latin American countries and so far they are all eager to join ISHA. Hope I'll have more to report soon.

ii. Matej Samide: Since Maribor I have started to pave the way to a merger of the PhD network committee and the alumni network committee, which will be voted on in the GA. The committee(s) could use some active members with new ideas, so join us.

I have also slowly started to assume my future position as webmaster. ISHA Berlin and ISHA Ghent have gotten beautiful new ISHA emails. If your section also wants one, let me know. I also
brought our website and hopefully ISHA as a whole up to date with the GDPR.

iii. **Adam Tuković**: Well, for now I have made a new group for the next board that will take the next term. We discussed a lot of thing what we will work on and on what to focus. For now I’m preparing a draft on establishing a PR(public relationship) Committee which will be focused on promoting ISHA in each country and on the international level. Regarding the last experiences at the seminar in Maribor I decided to act on it. I am also preparing a document/a proposal on the process of banning people from taking part at future seminars who act against the statue/values(regarding sexual harrasment and so on) of ISHA International. I wasnt able to take part in the last skype meetings cause they where at the time of my exams. I'm still working in the PMC committee as an advisor for the seminar in Skopje, evaluated the ISHA Zagreb seminar, have had a revision of the evaluation questionnare for Maribor/Graz, a „how to apply to ISHA seminar“ manual and „making the PMC“ email more efficient. Some of the things are coming later then I expected due to the obligations at the university. I’m also in touch with students in Dubrovnik(Croatia) and Novi Sad(Serbia), about the possibility of them joining ISHA. After them joining (hopefully) I will focus on doing the same thing with students in Pecs(Hungary) and Banja Luka(Bosnia and Herzegovina). I have also made some contact with some EGEA representatives, so I will have talks with them and ask them for suggestions and other things that may be good for ISHA also (best example, the list of project where ISHA can apply for EU funding (for the fundraising committee)).

c) **Carnival Editor**: Ryan Glauser
d) **Archivist**: Bianca Vassileva: am still organizing the available files and trying to reduce the file-size of the archive. I am working on preparing a manual for the archives (local and international) with the basic structure, tags and file format to make the handover next month easier. The Newsletters are nearly sorted and we seem to have nearly all of them so far, so that would be enough material for something on ISHA History to be done for the anniversary next year.
e) We are missing some publications from the early 90s. If you have anything, please send it to the Archivist. ISHA Helsinki has some publications and will send it to Bianca.

**10) Discussion about the future of the Journal of ISHA-Carnival and about an Essay Competition**
a) **Eric Jeswein (future editor):** There was an idea, to start an essay competition. It is still under construction, there will be a call in the newsletter.

State of Carnival: there are not many submissions: there is a need for people to join the editorial board, so that submissions of more languages can be accepted.

There will not be a carnival in this short term: instead of that Eric is going to be focusing on collecting the old carnivals so that we can offer an uninterrupted collection on our websites.

Ryan Glauser will send around a call for translators, who can translate templates of Carnival languages.

It is important that local journals work together with Carnival.

b) **Tamara Pataki** if local editors can be involved in the international level, would be a great way to collect more submissions.

c) **Alexander (ISHA Belgrade):** Can anybody write in Carnival or only ISHA Members?

d) **Eric Jeswein:** anyone, but the visibility of Carnival is very low.

e) **Raphael Päbst (ISHA Marburg):** did anyone talked about carnival in their sections? (As we agreed it in Maribor)

f) **Klara Schwalbe (ISHA Berlin):** Carnival is a good place to practice writing essays in English.

g) **Raphael Päbst (ISHA Marburg):** ISHA is small to support such a journal.

We do not have enough submission, and do not have an adequate standard.

University essays are often not good enough for Carnival.

h) **Eric Jeswein:** Carnival can offer resources to work on those essays, to smoothen citations.

i) **Tamara Pataki:** the Training committee would be a good way to organize sessions on academic writing and offer help and generate possible submissions for carnival.

**Proposal to establish a Training Committee (Dániel Molnár, Vice-president, co-founder: Eric Jeswein)**

Many other student organizations have trainings for their members, so they can be more successful in their home sections or in running the organization, and experience shows that these are very useful and contribute to the vitality and sustainability of the organizations and their sections.

Trainings are not targeting the academic skills – we have the workshops for that.

Therefore, we had the idea to establish our very own trainer program and training committee. The tasks of this will be the following:

- To develop and create ISHA’s training programs,
- To gather those people who have practical experiences on the field of section leading, newbie-recruitment, event organizing, and so on,
- To organize events (similar to “How to ISHA”) where those who are/will be in charge for leading/organizing a local section, or a local- or international event, can get many new,
- Through cooperation with other student organizations, incorporate their experiences.

Hopefully, with your help and contribution, ISHA can have its training- and mentor program that will help future generations to run ISHA better and better. With cooperation on this field with other student NGOs we hope to get new viewpoints and useful add-ons for our organization as well. It is also our hope that during this section you will learn skills that you can use later in your career.

a) **Raphael Päbst (ISHA Marburg)**: I generally like the idea, but not yet sure, if ISHA needs it. Ideally it could be more ambitious and handle topics like: academic writing, conflict management, etc.

b) **Kasia Wardzinska (ISHA Warsaw)**: It is not a good idea, because the sections are too different from each other. I do not know if there is useful knowledge what could be transmitted there.

c) **Adam Tukovic**: what other sections can help is to give ideas for activities and tell about what else ISHA can do, it can help to inspire.

d) **Raphael Päbst (ISHA Marburg)**: we should focus on the training committee not on the trainings. I propose, that we found the committee, see if it works and maybe close it down in Skopje.

e) **Michaela Mayrhofer (ISHA Graz)**: if we are adopting it from EGEA, does this mean we are taking the structures and the way they organize the committees?

f) Tamara: Not necessary

**Vote: 12 y 0 n 4 a**

**The GA approves the funding of the committee**

11) **Proposal to merge the Alumni +PHD Committee (Matej Samide)**

Merger of the PhD Committee and the Alumni Committee to the Alumni and PhD Committee:

The Spokesperson of the PhD Committee and Council member Alexandra Leonzini and I, representing the Alumni Committee have been talking. With Alexandras leaving ISHA the Committee will be empty. There have always been some PhD students who were active in the committee irregularly but with Alexandra the last link to ISHA will be gone.

The PhD Committee has done a great job especially with establishing the reoccurring PhD workshop. However, most PhD Students in ISHA are not very
active ISHA members but rather interested alumni. The target group of both Committees is therefore in many cases the same.

Since the Alumni Committee has been growing inactive in the last months, mostly due to lack of work, and the PhD Committee has almost ceased existing I also hope that this merger will bring forward a joint and more active committee and profit everyone.

I will not be at the GA in Warsaw to make my case in person, but I hope that the GA will approve this merger.

Klara Schwalbe (ISHA Berlin): it is a good idea to merge them for a while, but we should keep in mind, that those are two very different groups. The activities, they are interested in are very different. The PhD Committee is rather interested in organizing workshop for PhD students, but the Alumni is more about meeting old friends.

Raphael Päbst (ISHA Marburg): What are the options? Either we merge those, or let the PhD committee die?

Adam Tukovic: Right now, yes, but we are working on finding new members. This merger can be reversed in any time.

Vote 16 y 0 n 0 a

The GA approves merging the committees.

12) Proposal to establish a Public Relations Committee (Adam Tukovic, Sonja Erceg)

Hello to everyone. I have talked with the new elected members of ISHA International and we discussed the possibility of establishing a new committee - the PR Committee. Please don't raise the question on “how efficient the new committee will be”, and so on (because none of you are fortune-tellers), just ask yourself the question “Do we need a PR Committee or not?“. The thing is, as we all know that one of the criteria of getting EU funding is that an organisation has good visibility in the public sphere. So the new committee should be a committee that will engage the public sphere on an international level, spreading the name and word of ISHA. The committee should also contact local sections in different countries and see if they can motivate someone to go on a radio show, publish a small article about ISHA in their local media (or nationwide) etc. Also, the new committee would try to set up contacts with different media, see who’s willing to engage with us and then make a list of possible partners whom we could focus on in the future (the bigger the better). We need more visibility and we need it fast if we want to make things easier for our fundraising committee in the future. Regarding other questions, I will be present at the GA, make a presentation at it, go into details and be there for Q&A time. This is just some food for thought. See you.

Raphael Päbst (ISHA Marburg): Do we have enough resources for that? Is there a co-founder?
**Adam Tukovic:** Sonja Erceg is co-founder. We can establish templates to make the working of the committee more efficient, so that a few people could handle such a committee.

**Klara Schwalbe (ISHA Berlin):** but are these tasks not yet covered by the webmaster and fund-raising committee yet?

**Tamara Pataki:** there are additional tasks what such a committee could do, webmaster and treasurer need support.

**Klara Schwalbe (ISHA Berlin):** Definitely, and these jobs are already covered by other officials.

**Michaela Mayrhofer (ISHA Graz):** the problem is, that ISHA is a very small organisation, which wants to achieve a lot. We are all students and cannot engage ourselves as a full time job.

**Alexander (ISHA Belgrade):** in Belgrade we have the experience that it is very hard to be visible and we would like to have more people working on that questions. If there is somebody who would like to help there, why not.

**Klara Schwalbe (ISHA Berlin):** A proposal to modify the tasks of the committee: the public relations committee should more focus on the questions of visibility but not with keeping in touch with all members.

Tamara Pataki: Handling partnerships would be still a task of the IB, because according to the statutes only IB members can make contracts and sign anything in the name of ISHA. So the Committee could not function independently from ISHA international.

**Klara Schwalbe (ISHA Berlin):** I propose to amend the description of the committee with the following sentence: Contact and agreements with our established partners remain the tasks and responsibility of the IB.

**Vote 14 y 0 n 2 a**

Proposal accepted

Establishing the committee: **Vote: 15y 0n 1a**

The GA approves the committee.

13) **Banning of Persons acting against our statutes**

Due to the behavior of Ivica Lassinger from ISHA Osijek during the Annual Conference in Maribor and on the local level in Osijek, of which the IB was informed in written form, this person was provisionally excluded from ISHA activities on local and international level for all times. The IB asks the GA as decision making body of ISHA to officially confirm this decision. The GA has the only right to “exclude Active and Passive ISHA Members who are in violation of the Association’s Code of Conduct” as is stated in our Statutes in Article 16.2 i). The person is not only accused of sexual harassment against participants of the seminar which is a severe crime but also of hurting the equality and dignity of other participants of the organization and therefore acting against the principle of the organization to “emphasise[s] and promote[s] the equality of all people, anywhere and at any point in time” (Article 5 c)).

**Lisa Kirchner (ISHA Vienna):** was he confronted with those accusation?
Adam Tukovic: yes, and he was confronted with eye witnesses. He received an e-mail from ISHA international where he did not reply. He was informed and had the chance to reply but he did not.

Michaela Mayrhofer (ISHA Graz): we should add it to the statutes, that he is only suspended until the next seminar. We can vote on it next time.

Raphael Päbst (ISHA Marburg): ISHA international can ban people from attending international events, but they cannot ban people to attend local events.

Adam Tukovic: yes, but the PMC committee has an advisory function, and advise local sections.

Vote: 14 y 0 n 2 a

The GA approves banning Ivica Lassinger from attending more ISHA seminars.

14) (Statutes: Vote)

We had some communication problems with the German court and we need to revote on our statutes. The statutes haven’t changed since we voted on them Zagreb, but there were some complications with the numbering of paragraphs, as the court was communicating different changes to us. We would like to ask the GA to confirm this article.

Article 17:

Article 17: The International Board

(1) The International Board is responsible for the administration of the Organisation and for the co-ordination of the ISHA network. Its official abbreviation is "IB".

(2) The IB’s principal responsibilities are

a) to administer the Organisation internally,

b) to oversee the financial administration of ISHA and develop new sources of income,

c) to manage internal communication,

d) to induce and coordinate most of ISHA’s activities,

e) to assist all sections of ISHA in organising their activities,

f) to represent ISHA towards other organisations and entities and to promote the Organisation externally,

g) to enforce these Statutes, the Standing Orders, and all decisions taken by the GA.

(3) The IB is answerable to the GA. It may provisionally suspend elected Officials but must convene a GA within three months, for the GA to approve or disapprove this decision.

(4) The IB shall consist of a President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer. A maximum of two further Officials may be elected to the IB if the GA decides so. The Officials of the IB should come from at least two different local sections.

(5) Within the IB, every Official is equal. Decisions should be taken based on consensus. In the event of disagreement, decisions are to be taken by a simple majority of votes. If a decision cannot be made by vote, the President decides.

(6) If required, the IB functions as the Plaintiff or defendant in any lawsuits issued by or against the organisation and is represented in court proceedings by an Official appointed specifically by the IB for this purpose. Every member of the IB has the right to individual representation.
Vote: 15 y 0 n 1 a
The GA Confirms.

15) Questions and Closing: No questions asked, the GA is closed at 12:22.