

NoPSA

Nordic Political Science Association

Board Meeting Agenda and Minutes

Friday January 13, 2023, 09:00-11:00 CEST

Online – Teams

Present

Eva H. Önnudóttir (President), University of Iceland, Iceland

Grétar Þór Eypórsson, University of Akureyri, Iceland

Douglas Brommersson, Lunds Universitet, Sweden

Kjell Engelbrekt, Swedish Defence University, Sweden

Are Vegard Haug, Oslo Metropolitan University, Norway

Aino Tiihonen, Tampere University, Finland

Hanna-Mari Kivistö, University of Jyväskylä, Finland

Svend-Erik Skaaning, Aarhus University, Denmark

Guests

Jonas Linde and Anne Lise Fimreite, University of Bergen, Norway (Organisers of NoPSA Congress 2024 in Bergen)

Minute taker

Sara Þöll Finnbogadóttir (Secretary), University of Iceland, Iceland

1. Welcome and round of introductions

Svend-Erik Skaaning from Aarhus University, Denmark, has joined the board of NoPSA and replaced Flemming Juul Christiansen from Roskilde University. There was a round of introductions.

2. NoPSA Congress 2024 in Bergen - status and update from local organisers

Jonas Linde and Anne Lise Fimreite gave an update on the organisation of the 2024 NoPSA Congress in Bergen, Norway. The organisation is going well. They have gone through the process of recruiting a conference organiser and signed a contract with Bergen Kongress og Kultur, which has

an experience in organising academic conferences. They have received a draft budget from the organiser. The final budget will be circulated to the NoPSA board when it has been set. Next on the schedule is the call for workshops, which should be out in March, which will be sent when the conference fee has been set. A discussion on the keynote-speakers has taken place between the local organisers and there was a discussion between board members on the budget for keynote-speakers.

There was a follow-up discussion on the proposal from the last NoPSA meeting on the early scholar workshop. The organisers have been discussing this option and believe that it would fit well into the end of the congress' agenda. Jonas and Anne Lise will be in contact with Aino Tiihonen for the next steps.

Jonas and Anne Lise will be in contact with the board in March.

Jonas and Anne Lise left the meeting at 09:45 CEST.

3. Selection and approval of the next SPS editorial team

- a. The Icelandic Political Science Association has nominated Professor Maximillian Conrad, Professor Silja Bára Ómarsdóttir and Associate Professor Stefanía Óskarsdóttir, all at the Faculty of Political Science at the University of Iceland (UI) to be the next editors of the SPS. The mandate of the next editorial team will start in spring/summer 2023.

The board approved the nomination of the Icelandic Political Science Association.

- b. Update on the support the editorial team will get from the University of Iceland (UI). UI will fund a 25% position to assist the editorial team with administrative tasks.

4. Discussion and approval of the new contract with Wiley about the publishing of the SPS

A draft contract with Wiley about the publishing of the SPS was discussed. The main points of the discussion related to linguistics, the handling of manuscripts, agreements between NoPSA and the editors of the SPS and possible increased assistance from Wiley with administrative tasks.

The board approved the draft contract. The next editorial team of SPS will be invited to review the draft contract.

5. Any other business

a. Board meeting in Bergen

- i. There will be an in-person NoPSA board meeting in Bergen 2024. Board members are expected to attend in person.

b. Travel grant for early scholars

- i. There has been one successful application since the last NoPSA board meeting. There was a discussion on the advertisement of the travel grant. The NoPSA associations are encouraged to advertise the grant. They are also encouraged to send information on their conferences to the NoPSA board members in order to advertise their conferences.

c. IPSA Congress 2023

- i. There was a discussion on the upcoming IPSA Congress.

d. Next NoPSA Board Meeting

- i. The next board meeting will take place, the latest, next January 2024.

Meeting finished: 10:35 CEST