

Amsterdam, 26 August 2010

The second statutory General Assembly of the ICHS, chaired by Professor José Luis Peset, was held in the *Koningszaal* of the *De Bazel* building (Vijzelstraat 32) at 4 p.m. on 26 August 2010.

Present:

* Members of the Bureau: José Luis Peset, President; Koichi Kabayama and William C. Jordan, Vice-Presidents; Jean-Claude Robert, Secretary General; Laurent Tissot, Treasurer; Shahid Amin, Michael Bibikov, Roger Chartier, Michael Heyd, Marjatta Hietala and Hilda Sabato, Assessor Members; Jürgen Kocka, Counsellor; and Hans Blom, President of the Organizing Committee of the 21st International Congress of Historical Sciences.

* Representatives of the following National Committees, Affiliated International Organizations, and Internal Commissions:

National Committees

N°	Country	Delegate	Deputy Delegate
1	Albania	Absent	
2	Germany	Jürgen Kocka	
3	Argentina	Noemi Goldman	
4	Australia	Martyn Lyons	
5	Austria	Absent	
6	Belgium	Absent	
7	Belarus	Absent	
8	Brazil	Eliana Freitas Dutra	
9	Bulgaria	Absent	
10	Canada	Beverly Lemire	
11	China	Zhang, Haipeng	Wang, Jianlang
12	Cyprus	Absent	
13	Korea (Seoul)	Lim, Jie-Hyun	
14	Croatia	Absent	
15	Denmark	Absent	
16	Spain	José Luis Peset	
17	United States	Arnita Jones	
18	Finland	Marjatta Hietala	
19	France	Jean-François Sirinelli	Pascal Cauchy
20	Georgia	Erekle Astakhishvili	

21	Great Britain	Absent	
22	Greece	Vasiliki Papoulia	Alkmene Stavridou- Zafraka
23	Guinea	Absent	
24	Hungary	Haraszti György	
25	India	Ishrat Alam	
26	Ireland	Absent	
27	Iceland	Absent	
28	Israel	Israel Bartal	
29	Italy	Paolo Prodi	
30	Japan	Yoichi Kibata	
31	Latvia	Absent	
32	Lithuania	Rustis Kamuntavicius	
33	Luxembourg	Paul Dostert	
34	Morocco	Absent	
35	Mexico	Veronica Zarate Toscano	
36	Norway	Dag Hundstadt	Lise Kvande
37	Netherlands	A. F. Heerma van Voss	Leonie de Goei
38	Peru	Absent	
39	Poland	Janusz Zarnowski	
40	Portugal	José Marques	
41	Romania	Dan Berindei	Ioan-Aurel Pop
42	Russia	Alexander Choubarian	
43	Slovakia (Rep. of)	Dusan Kovac	
44	Slovenia	Absent	
45	South Africa (Rep. of)	Absent	
46	Sweden	Gunlög Fur	
47	Switzerland	Sacha Zala	
48	Czech Republic	Jiri Kocian	Petr Vorel
49	Tunisia	Absent	
50	Turkey	Mehmet Öz	Bülent Özdemir
51	Ukraine	Ostap Sereda	
52	Vatican (Holy See)	Absent	
53	Viêt Nam	Absent	

Affiliated International Organizations

No.	Name	Delegate	Deputy Delegate
1	Int'l Ass. for the Study of Southeast Europe	Absent	
2	Int'l Ass. of Contemporary History of Europe	Jacques Bariéty	Sylvain Schirman
3	Int'l Ass. of History of Law and Institution	Absent	
4	Int'l Ass. of Economic History	Beverly Lemire	
5	Int'l Ass. for Byzantine Studies	Absent	
6	Int'l Committee for the History of the Second World War	Absent	
7	International Social History Association	Marcel van der Linden	
8	Int'l Commission on the Study of Christianity	Hugh McLeod	
9	Int'l Commission on Maritime History	Absent	
10	Int'l Comm. on Comparative Military History	Piet Kamphuis	
11	Int'l Comm. on the History of International Relations	Robert Frank	Alfredo Canavero
12	Int'l Comm. on the History of the French Revolution	Matthias Middell	
13	Int'l Comm. of Historical Demography	Bruce Fetter	A. Fauve- Chamoux
14	Int'l Comm. of Slavic Studies	Absent	
15	Int'l Comm. on the History of State Assemblies	John Rogister	
16	Int'l Comm. on the History of Universities	Lise Roy	Moti Feingold
17	Int'l Comm. on the History of Cities	Francesca Bocchi	
18	Int'l Comm. for the History of Travel and Tourism	Absent	
19	Int'l Comm. for the History and Theory of Historiography	Absent	
20	Int'l Fed. of Societies and Institutes for Renaissance Studies	Absent	
21	Int'l Fed. for Research on the History of Women	Krassimira Daskalova	Karen Offen
22	Instituto Panamericano de Geografia y Historia	Absent	
23	The Int. Ass. of Historical Societies for the Study of Jewish History	Zvi Zekutiel	



24	Int. Standing Conference for the History of Education	Eckhart Fuchs	
25	Society for the Study of the Crusades and the Latin East	Absent	
26	Int'l Society for the Didactics of History	Elizabeth Erdmann	Harry Haue
27	Int. Society for the History of Physical Education and Sport	Thierry Terret	
28	Network of Global and World History Organi-zations (NOGWHISTO)	Matthias Middell	
29	Society for the History of Authorship, Reading and Publishing (SHARP)	Absent	
28	Union of Arab Historians	Absent	
29	Unione Int. degli Istituti di Archeologia, Storia e Storia dell'Arte in Roma	Absent	

Internal Commissions

No.	Name	Delegate	Deputy Delegate
1	Association against the Manipulation of History (MURS)	Absent	
2	African Historians Association	Absent	
3	Int'l Committee on Latin Paleography (CIPL)	Absent	
4	Int'l Committee for Historical Metrology (CIMH)	Absent	
5	Int'l Commission on Diplomacy	Absent	
6	Int'l Comm. on the History of Cold War	Absent	
7	Int'l Comm. on the History of the Bastic Sea	Absent	
8	Int'l Comm. on the History of the Russian Revolution	Salavat Iskhakov	
9	International Association for Media and History (LAMHIST)	Absent	
10	International Commission for Historical Journals	Absent	
11	Majestas (Study of Sovereignty)	Absent	
12	Peace History Society	Absent	



Agenda

- 1. Opening
- 2. Approval of the Secretary General's 2005-2010 activity report
- 3. Approval of the Treasurer's financial report
- 4. Vote on the choice of venue for the 22nd International Congress of Historical Sciences in 2015
- 5. Discussion on the 2005-2010 quinquennium and the future
- 6. Election of the 2010-2015 Bureau
- 7. Other matters

1. Opening

After welcoming those in attendance, President José Luis Peset opened the meeting by offering a few remarks. He then asked the Secretary General to verify the quorum. With fifty voting delegates in attendance, not counting proxy delegates, the quorum was well superseded.

2. Approval of the Secretary General's report

The Secretary General's activity report was unanimously approved. The Secretary General thanked the members of the Bureau and the ICHS for their support.

3. Approval of the Treasurer's Report

The members of the second Assembly received the report of the two auditors appointed during the first General Assembly. Professors John Rogister and Alexander Heerma van Voss confirmed that they examined the profit and loss accounts, the balance sheet, the report of external auditors Fiduciaire Pointet Neuchâtel for the 2005 and 2006 fiscal years and other documents pertaining to the Bureau's financial management, and recommended that the Assembly:

- Approve the accounts, the balance sheet and the report of auditors Fiduciaire Pointet Neuchâtel.
- Discharge the Bureau in respect of its management activities and the auditors in respect of their report.

As there were no questions, the balance sheet, the accounts, the auditor's report and the Bureau's financial management were unanimously approved. The Bureau was discharged in respect of its management responsibilities.

4. Vote on the venue for the 22nd International Congress of Historical Sciences in 2015

After a brief discussion, the Assembly declared itself ready to vote, and a secret ballot was held on the candidacy of Jinan.



Of a total of 49 ballots, 36 were in favour of Jinan, 8 were against, and 5 ballots were null and void.

The 22nd International Congress of Historical Sciences will therefore be held in Jinan in 2015. President José Luis Peset thanked the representatives of the Chinese National Committee. Professor Zhang Haipeng, President of the Chinese Historians Association, thanked the Assembly and pledged compliance with the ICHS's practices in regard to the organization of the Congress.

5. Deliberations on the 2005-2010 quinquennium and the future

The Secretary General opened the discussion on the report of the Congress program subcommittee by pointing out a discrepancy in the numbering of recommendations in the French and English versions. He presented a concordance chart for clarification. Four amendment motions had been submitted before the meeting. The first amendment concerned motion 2, the second and third amendments, motion 4, and the fourth amendment, motion 5. The Secretary General suggested that the Assembly examine the amendments in numerical order.

Michael Heyd (Bureau) suggested adding the following sentence to motion 2: "Special encouragement will be given to comparative themes, themes addressing global issues, or themes which transcend conventional boundaries." After his presentation and a discussion period, the motion was made but failed by a majority vote.

Matthias Middell (International Commission on the French Revolution) and Alexander Heerma van Voss (Netherlands National Committee) suggested amending the fourth motion as follows: "Each Affiliated International Organization is entitled to two half-day sessions in the main program. AIOs can apply for further half-day sessions by sending proposals to the subcommittee of the Bureau charged with the selection of topics for sessions. These proposals should make clear why the topic proposed is interesting not only to the specialists represented by the AIO, but to the broader historical community." The original motion read as follows: "Each Affiliated International Organization is entitled to one session in the main program. This means that there would be only two half-day sessions reserved for AIOs."

Elizabeth Erdmann (International Society for History Didactics) suggested withdrawing the fourth motion, or, at the very least, allowing AIOs to present additional sessions.

The Secretary General felt that the Erdmann amendment should be discussed before the Middell-van Voss amendment. The movers of the amendments spoke and a discussion followed. The Assembly approved the Secretary General's suggestion and declared it was ready to vote. The amendment to withdraw Motion 4 was approved by a majority vote. As a result, there was no need to consider the Middell-van Voss amendment.

Matthias Middell and Alexander Heerma van Voss then suggested rejecting motion 5, "National Committees should be encouraged to propose special sessions to take stock of the development of historiography in a regional area." They explained their proposal, and after deliberating, the Assembly agreed to the amendment by a majority vote. Motion 5 was not carried.

The report of the Congress program sub-committee is then formally submitted to the Bureau, with the amendments approved by the Assembly.



Gunlög Fur (Swedish National Committee) suggested organizing poster sessions at the Congresses. The Secretary General replied that the poster sessions at the Montreal, Oslo and Sydney Congresses had attracted few participants and that a review of the current format may be necessary before attempting them once again.

The Assembly members raised no further questions. In closing, the Secretary General reminded delegates that the Hungarian National Committee had formally invited the ICHS to hold its 2012 General Assembly in Budapest. The Secretary General thanked the Hungarian Committee.

6. Election of the 2010-2015 Bureau

President José Luis Peset reviewed the Nominating Committee's report, which had been distributed to all the members. As the Secretary General had not received any additional nominations, the candidacy period was closed. The list was put to a vote and was unanimously approved.

The following members will constitute the Bureau of the ICHS for the 2010-2015 quinquennium:

President: Prof. Marjatta **Hietala** (Finland),

currently an Assessor Member

First Vice-President: Prof. Hilda Sabato (Argentina),

currently an Assessor Member

Second Vice-President: Prof. W. (Pim) den Boer (The

Netherlands)

Secretary General: Prof. Robert **Frank** (France)

Treasurer: Prof. Laurent **Tissot** (Switzerland),

currently Treasurer

Assessor members : Prof. Dr. Mikhaïl **Bibikov** (Russia)

Prof. Andrea **Giardina** (Italy) Prof. **LIM**, Jie-Yun (Korea)

Prof. Karen Offen (United States)

Prof. John **Rogister** (United

Kingdom)

Prof. **TAO**, Wenzhao (China)

Counsellor: Prof. José-Luis **Peset** (Spain)

ICHS President from 2005 to 2010

7. Other matters

The Secretary General once again strongly encouraged session organizers to publish the texts presented at their sessions either in book form or special journal issue. The ICHS logo should be used under all circumstances and in each publication. The Secretary General has a digital version of the logo that can be sent upon request. If the text for publication is already on the Congress Web site, it can be removed upon request.

On behalf of the General Assembly, President José Luis Peset thanked outgoing Secretary General Jean-Claude Robert as well as the other Bureau members whose terms had ended, i.e. William C. Jordan and Koichi Kabayama, Vice-Presidents, and Shahid Amin,



Roger Chartier, Michael Heyd, and Jürgen Kocka. The President thanked the members of the General Assembly for their attention and closed the meeting.