

IACS General Assembly

16:30-17:30 Thursday 16 August

SOL Center, Lund University, Lund, Sweden

Organizational matters

Chair: Jamin Pelkey

Minute keeper: Šárka Kadavá

Minutes checking: Donna West, Joel Parthemore, Jamin Pelkey

Vote counter: Alexandra Mouratidou, Bolette H.Hansen

Jamin Pelkey opened the meeting by noting that all conference attendees received temporary membership in IACS and therefore voting rights for purposes of the general assembly.

Venue bid:

1. CogSem in Lublin, 2026
 - Maria Curie-Sklodowska university
 - Jordan presents in the name of Piotr Konderak
2. CogSem in Rome, 2026
 - Sapienza University of Rome
 - Presented by Filomena Diodato
 - June 2026

Note that conference dates are not yet decided.

President's report (Jamin Pelkey)

- Jamin acknowledges all board members of IACS
- Seven board meetings since last Assembly (June, 2022)
- Two annual newsletters
- Ongoing web communication – additional website with 53 hybrid seminar events (especially in Lund but also elsewhere), including social media
- Challenges and breakthroughs
 - o Financial account hosting
 - o Journal formatting & access
 - o Memberships & affiliates
 - After last conference, number of memberships increased
 - Most of the fees go to scholarships
- Scholarships: 10 applications, € 2,000 as minimum funding amount approved, funding will potentially increase with new memberships

Treasurer's report (Alin Olteanu)

- Current balance: € 4,017.41
- Income: solely from new and renewed memberships (14 students, 25 faculty)
- Expenses: website (not yet included in current statement)
- Change of fee rates – from € 15 (student) and € 35 (staff) to € 25 and € 50 – for 2 years

- Banking restrictions: increasing constraints
- Board approves Jamin Pelkey's proposal to employ service of Philosophy Documentation Center and recommends its use to the upcoming board

Journal report (Todd Oakley)

- Triumvirate structure: editor-in-chief and associate editors decide on submission acceptance and handle reviewer selection
- Journal next year switches to open-access, no expense to the authors
- 2 issues a year – 12 submissions for fall issue; 4 accepted (33% acceptance rate)
- Spring issues principally devoted to special issues, fully edited by guest editors

Elections

1. Nominations for president

- Jamin Pelkey nominated and seconded; accepted nomination
- Jordan Zlatev nominated; declined nomination
- With no further nominations, Jamin Pelkey re-elected president by unanimous consent

2. Nominations for board members

- Roles will be decided during first board meeting
- Alexandra Mouratidou and Jordan Zlatev step down from the board
- Nominations:
 - o Mats Andrén (nominated by Jordan Zlatev)
 - o Marta Sibierska
 - o Daiya Kuryu (nominated by Jordan Zlatev)
 - o Gabriele Giacosa
 - o Auli Viidalepp
 - o Paul Sambre (nominated by Todd Oakley)
 - o Alin Olteanu
 - o Todd Oakley (self-nomination)
 - o Sara Lenninger (nominated by Donna West but declined)
 - o Elena Cuffari (nominated by Alexandra Mouratidou)
 - o Donna West (self-nomination)
- Every attendee votes 5 names
- Results to be announced Friday 17th August

IACS6-2026 Conference Location: Voting Recommendation Results

Sapienza University of Rome, Local Host: Filomena Diodato

Board Election Results

Todd Oakley
 Elena Cuffari
 Alin Olteanu
 Auli Viidalepp
 Marta Sibierska