Minutes of the Meeting of the Permanent Council for the Organisation of the International Congress of Phonetic Sciences
19th ICPPhS, Melbourne 2019

Dates: 6 August 2019, 15:30 – 19:00; 8 August 2019, 13:00 – 14:00.

Present on 6 and 8 August 2019: Arvaniti, M. Ashby, P. Ashby, Beddor, Boersma, Chasaide, Cutler, Docherty, Esling, Keating, Kingston, Kubozono, Maddieson, Nicolaidis, Recasens, Roux, Setter, Simpson (President), Solé (Secretary), Stuart-Smith (Vice-President), Tabain.


Minutes by: Maria-Josep Solé (PC secretary)

Proposed agenda

1. Approval of the agenda.
2. Approval of the minutes of the Glasgow meeting 2015.
3. Report by the President of the Permanent Council on activities since the 18th Congress in Glasgow.
4. Presentation of submission bids for the organization of the 20th Congress followed by discussion and decision on the next Congress site.
6. Elections of President, Vice-President and Secretary.
7. Other business.

0. Opening. Adrian Simpson (AS) opens the meeting as president of PC and welcomes members.

1. Approval of the agenda. The agenda is approved.

2. Approval of the minutes of the last meeting.

In July 2019, the minutes were sent by email to all newly elected PC members and to the old members. The minutes were previously sent to the PC members in December 2015, published in JIPA, Volume 45, Issue 3, December 2015, pp. 360-364, and can be accessed online at https://www.internationalphoneticassociation.org/sites/all/modules/civicrm/extern/url.php?u=51&qid=4884.
The minutes are approved.

3. Report by the President of the Permanent Council, 2015 - 2019

The President reports on the activities of the PC since the 18th Congress in Glasgow.
3.1 Contract between the IPA and ICPHS

In April 2018 the PC, and in May 2018 the IPA, approved the contract between the IPA & ICPHS2019.

- The IPA granted ICPHS2019 a non-refundable start-up fund of AU$18,000.
- Eligible IPA members receive a discount on the ICPHS registration fee of AU$70.

ICPHS2019 will acknowledge the donation from the IPA as follows:
(a) name the IPA among the sponsors, including on the conference website,
(b) provide without charge a booth at the Congress for the IPA to attract new members,
(c) place an advertisement for the IPA in the Book of Abstracts,
(d) no later than October 2018, include an announcement on the conference website informing prospective Congress participants that they can receive a discount on the ICPHS2019 registration fee if they become members of the Association prior to registering for ICPHS. The announcement will also provide information (to be provided by the IPA Secretary) about the membership fee and associated benefits.

3.2 Digitisation of Proceedings

The president thanks Bernd Möbius and Jürgen Trouvain who offered financial support for the digitisation of the ICPHS Proceedings from part of Max Mangold’s estate left to phonetics in Saarbrücken.

AS then provides details on the status of the proceedings.
- Entire digitised proceedings including individual papers are available on the IPA server for the following congresses:
  - 19th Melbourne (2019)
  - 18th Glasgow (2015)
  - 17th Hong Kong (2011)
  - 14th San Francisco (1999)

- Links are provided to the conference page with digitized proceedings with searchable PDFs for the following congresses:
  - 16th Saarbrücken (2007)
  - 4th Helsinki (1961)

- The following proceedings have been digitised as searchable PDFs:
  - 12th Aix-en-Provence (1991)
  - 11th Tallinn (1987)
  - 2nd London (1935)
• Digitisation (scanning, OCR, indexing) of the following proceedings to be completed by the end of September 2019:
  o 12th Aix-en-Provence (1991)
  o 11th Tallinn (1987)
  o 10th Utrecht (1983)
  o 9th Copenhagen (1979)
  o 2nd London (1935)

• Digitisation will follow for:
  o 7th Montreal (1971)
  o 6th Prague (1967)
  o 5th Münster (1964)
  o 4th Helsinki (1961)
  o 3rd Ghent (1938)
  o 1st Amsterdam (1932)

AS requests if any PC member has a copy of the Ghent (1938) proceedings. Ian Maddieson pointed to a digitisation already made available by Upenn.

3.3 Publisher rights

In September 2012 the PC voted on the copyright provision and distribution license of the ICPhS Proceedings from 2012 onwards.
  • Copyright will remain with the author(s) at all times.
  • Papers distributed in conference proceedings (whether print or digital) and posted on the IPA’s website will be licensed by their authors under a CC BY-NC-ND 3.0 or 4.0 license.

For proceedings prior to 2012, AS informs that
  • CUP (London 1935) only did the printing, they do not have subsidiary rights.
  • Hueber (Prague 1967) reverted the rights to authors.
  • Publisher permissions/costs still need to be obtained from Mouton, Karger

3.4 Extra URL for Proceedings

The President raises the issue of the necessity for extra URL for Proceedings. It is agreed to acquire the following URLs:
  www.icphsproceedings.org
  www.icphs-proceedings.org

The IPA Exec will be approached by AS to buy these domains. After some discussion, it is agreed to buy as many as possible URLs that include ‘icphs proceedings’.
4. Presentation of submission bids for the organization of the 20th Congress followed by discussion and decision on the next Congress site

The call for proposals for the organization of the 20th International Congress of Phonetic Sciences was announced in March 2017 and published in JIPA in April 2017 (issue 47.1).

Guidelines for bids for the International Congress of Phonetic Sciences (ICPhS) were written by the PC executive. The PC approved the call and guidelines, posted on the website at https://www.internationalphoneticassociation.org/sites/default/files/Guidelines_for_proposals_for_ICPhS_July_2014.doc

Nine universities were contacted (6 European, 3 non-European). Two European bids were submitted by the end of May 2019, (1) by Sónia Frota on behalf of Lisbon, Portugal and (2) Radek Skarnitzl on behalf of Prague, Czech Republic.

The text of the bids was sent to PC members in advance. The PC provided support to the current bidders on several matters including financial issues and the timing of the conference.

4.1 Absentee votes

The President proposes to consider the voting procedure of the next Congress site, specifically relating to absentee votes. A number of PC members were unable to attend the congress and the PC meeting in Melbourne, but they carefully examined the two bids for 2023. Some absentee members expressed their preference, and requested that it be taken into consideration if the voting came to a tie. In late July the PC secretary contacted all absentee members (who had communicated they would not be in Melbourne) to express their preference in case the voting resulted in a tie.

There are two proposals:
- Only include votes of those present
- Include preferences of absentees as votes

The PC members decide to include votes of present members only.

4.2 Voting PC members

AS reports on the composition and voting members of the PC.

Group 1: 2 ex officio members (IPA President and Vice President).
1. Pat Keating (Michael Ashby will not be voted till the end of the meeting).
2. Adrian Simpson [PC President] (Amalia Arvaniti not voted till the end of the meeting)

Group 2: 12 members elected by the IPA membership
(a) for the period 2019-2027. Elections took place in January 2019.

1. Amalia Arvaniti
2. Patricia Ashby
3. Patrice Beddor
4. Ailbhe Ní Chasaidhe
5. Jane Setter
   (Outgoing members – M. Ashby, Beckman, Fougeron, Recasens, Shockey – do not vote).

(b) for the period 2015-2023

6. Ian Maddieson
7. John H. Esling
8. Anne Cutler
9. Daniel Hirst
10. Katerina Nicolaidis
11. Oliver Niebuhr
12. Masaki Taniguchi

Group 3: (a) 9 members elected by the PC for the period 2015-2023.

1. Plinio Barbosa
2. Paul Boersma
3. Gerard Docherty
4. Björn Granström
5. Jonathan Harrington
6. John Kingston
7. Haruo Kubozono
8. Justus Roux
9. Maria Josep Solé [PC Secretary]

(b) till 2019
1. Jane Stuart-Smith (Marija Tabain as Congress organiser in 2019 will be voted at the end of the meeting) [PC Vice-president]

(c) till 2023
2. Marija Tabain (next congress organiser by PC election at the Congress in Melbourne will be voted at the end of the meeting).

4.3 Presentation of submission bids for the 20th Congress

Marina Vigario (on behalf of Sónia Frota), seconded by Marisa Cruz, is invited to present the Lisbon, Portugal, bid. Following the presentation, the bid is opened for discussion. There are some questions from the PC relative to their proposal to provide financial help for low-income countries, their experience in conference organization, their envisaged
reviewing process, the relative weight of the special sessions, giving more visibility and time to poster sessions, child-care during the conference, affordable accommodation and transportation to the conference center, number of participants to get a break-even point [840 participants], the plan for paying the deposit to book conference center and hotels, and the cost of the conference dinner, which were satisfactorily answered by Marina Viga.

Then Radek Skarnitzl is invited to present the bid of Prague, Czech Republic. The bid is opened for discussion. There are some questions from the PC relative to the team behind the conference organizer who underwrites the conference if there are losses [the Professional Conference Organizers], to provide an overview of the program, child-care facilities, cost of hotels and transportation to the conference site, reviewing process, and number of participants to get a break-even point [700 participants] which were satisfactorily answered by Radek Skarnitzl.

At this point the meeting is adjourned. It is agreed that the meeting will continue Thursday, 8 August 2019, 13:00 – 14:00.

The Thursday meeting starts at 13:00. Lunch is distributed.

4. (continued) Presentation of proposals for the organization of the 19th Congress followed by discussion and decision on the next Congress site

The two bids are opened for discussion. After lively discussion taking into consideration financial and organizational aspects, amongst others, the PC members voted on the preferred city/country for the next ICPhS. 18 members voted. The votes were counted as follows

Prague  11
Lisbon    7

Prague will organise the 29th ICPhS. The decision will be made public during the closing session. Radek Skarnitzl, as organizer of the next Congress, will become a Group 3 member of the PC.


Marija Tabain reports that the 19th International Congress of Phonetic Sciences, held in Melbourne, Australia from 5th to 9th August 2019, was co-hosted by the International Phonetic Association and the Australasian Speech Science and Technology Association, and was supported by La Trobe University, Macquarie University, Victoria University of Wellington, Western Sydney University and the ARC Centre of Excellence for the Dynamics of Language.

In total, 792 papers were presented covering a wide variety of topics in phonetic sciences. These consisted of 5 plenary talks, 406 oral presentations and 381 poster presentations. The programme included 10 special oral sessions, 2 special poster sessions and 4
workshops. Contributions came from 43 countries. 473 reviewers took part in the double-blind review of the congress papers, a process that was facilitated by 28 area chairs. 3 satellite meetings were also held. In total, 959 delegates attended the Congress.

The organising committee will submit a fuller report at a later date.

6. Elections of PC members

6.1 AS reports on the elections and the composition of the PC.

**Group 1**: 2 ex officio members (IPA President and Vice President) to be elected at the present PC meeting in Melbourne for the period 2019-2023.

**Group 2**: 7 members elected by the IPA membership for the period 2015-2023. Elections took place in November 2014.

5 members elected by the IPA membership for the period 2019–2027(*). Elections took place in January 2019.

**Group 3**: 9 members by PC election prior to the Congress for the period 2015-2023. Elections took place in May 2015.

1 member (2023 Congress organiser) by PC election at the present PC meeting in Melbourne for the period 2019–2023.

(*) In January 2019, five new Group 2 members elected by the IPA membership to serve 2019–2027:

Amalia Arvaniti, UK
Patricia Ashby, UK
Patrice Beddor, USA
Ailbhe Ní Chasaidhe, Ireland
Jane Setter, UK

The PC executive proposes that Patricia Keating replaces Amalia Arvaniti who was elected Vice-President of the IPA and becomes ex officio member of the PC. Pat Keating was originally elected to serve as regular PC member 2015–2023, but became ex officio member due to IPA Presidency 2015–2019 and was replaced by Oliver Niebuhr. By replacing Amalia Arvaniti 2019–2023, Pat could complete her regular PC stint and allow Amalia to return 2023 to complete her elected stint (2023–2027).

The proposal is approved.

6.2 Elections of President, Vice-President and Secretary

- Following the principle adopted in 2007 that the VP of the IPA is automatically appointed as the president of the PC, it was proposed that Amalia Arvaniti, VP of the IPA, be the President of the PC for the period 2019-2023.

Following the same principle, the organizer of the previous congress is appointed as VP of the PC; Marija Tabain is proposed for VP.
- A new Secretary of the PC has to be elected as Maria-Josep Solé has completed two terms of 4 years. The by-laws state:

  ‘At its statutory meetings, the Permanent Council will nominate, from among its members, candidates for Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary, and elect these officers by a simple majority. Election will be for one term of 4 years with the possibility of reelection for a second term.’

While following the principle adopted in 2007, the President and Vice-President are automatically appointed, the Secretary needs to be elected. AS proposes Oliver Niebuhr, Denmark – who has previously agreed to the nomination – as the PC secretary. At this point the President and the PC thank the outgoing secretary, Maria-Josep Solé, for her service to the PC for the last eight years.

The positions are decided on by show of hands. No ballot is deemed necessary as there is just one candidate for each office.

- Radek Skarnitzl, organiser of the 2023 Congress, is elected as a group 3 member of the PC.

AS welcomes Amalia Arvaniti as new President and Marija Tabain as new Vice-President of the PC. The PC thanks the outgoing President, Adrian Simpson, and Vice-President, Jane Stuart-Smith for their dedication to the PC executive in the last 4 years.

6.3 Thus the PC members for the next period are:

1. Amalia Arvaniti, UK [PC President]
2. Michael Ashby, UK
3. Patricia Ashby, UK
4. Plinio Barbosa, Brazil
5. Patrice Beddor, USA
6. Paul Boersma, The Netherlands
7. Anne Cutler, The Netherlands
8. Gerard Docherty, Australia
9. John H. Esling, Canada
10. Björn Granström, Sweden
11. Jonathan Harrington, Germany
12. Daniel Hirst, France
13. Patricia Keating, USA
14. John Kingston, USA
15. Haruo Kubozono, Japan
16. Ian Maddieson, USA
17. Katerina Nicolaidis, Greece
18. Ailbhe Ní Chasaidh, Ireland
19. Oliver Niebuhr, Denmark [Secretary]
20. Justus Roux, South Africa
21. Jane Setter, UK
22. María-Josep Solé, Spain
23. Marija Tabain, Australia [Vice-President]
24. Masaki Taniguchi, Japan
25 Radek Skarnitzl (organiser of 2023 Congress)

At this point AS thanked the following outgoing members for their service to the PC.

- For the 2023 elections, nine new Group 3 members and 7 new Group 2 members need to be elected before ICPhS 2023.

7. Other business

- AS reminds the Melbourne organizers that the PC will be waiting for the final report.

- By-law addition
To consolidate the proposal approved in section 6.1, the PC executive suggest an addition to the by-laws.

Two options are presented:
1. If a Group 2 or Group 3 member becomes an ex officio member (IPA President or Vice-President), they will relinquish their Group 2 or Group 3 membership and be replaced by a runner-up from the same Group 2 or Group 3 elections for the 8-year period.

2. If a Group 2 or Group 3 member becomes an ex officio member (IPA President or Vice-President), they will relinquish their Group 2 or Group 3 membership for the four-year period, and be replaced by a runner-up from the same Group 2 or Group 3 elections for this four-year period. The ex officio members will be entitled to resume their elected eight-year stint after their four-year ex officio membership has finished.

Due to lack of time, the two options cannot be discussed and voted. There will be a mail ballot to sort the by-law change.

- No further points are raised. Adrian Simpson thanks the PC members and closes the second meeting on August 8, 2019 at 14:00 hours.

Maria-Josep Solé
Secretary of the PC for the organization of ICPhS