IUPsyS 1998 EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
San Francisco, USA
August 8, 9, 11 1998

Present: President Géry d’Ydewalle; Past President Kurt Pawlik; Vice-Presidents Cigdem Kagitçibasi, and Jan Strelau; Secretary-General Pierre Ritchie; Deputy Secretary-General Merry Bullock; Treasurer Michel Sabourin; Members John Adair, Ruben Ardila, Michel Denis, Hiroshi Imada, Lars-Göran Nilsson, Bruce Overmier, Ype Poortinga, Juan Jose Sanchez-Sosa, and Houcan Zhang.

Excused: Committee Member Derek Blackman


Guests for portions of the meeting: Joan Buchanan (APA), opening; Mark Rosenzweig, Wayne Holtzman, David Bélanger (Items 7.6, 7.7, 23.1); Psychology Press Representative Rohays Perry, Michael Forster (Item 7.); Representatives from the Psychological Society of South Africa Saths Cooper (President), Neo Roda Matabe (President Elect), Shotli Mikklake (Treasurer), Lionel Nicholas (Editor, Journal) Patrick Sibaya (Executive Member), Telene Sovi (head of IUPsyS Committee); Ray Fowler, Michael Frese (Item 17.2)

Documents distributed before and during the meeting included the Executive Committee Agenda, Executive Committee documents (referred to as E--), the Assembly Agenda, Assembly documents (referred to as A--), and supplementary material.

0. Opening of the Meeting
President Géry d’Ydewalle called the meeting to order at 12:15. He welcomed members of the Executive Committee, and guests. He extended congratulations to those members who had received honors during the year (Kagitçibasi received the 1998 International Association of Applied Psychology (IAAP) Award for Distinguished Scientific Contribution to the International Advancement of Applied Psychology; she was also appointed Dean of Koc University; Pawlik was appointed Dean at the University of Hamburg; Strelau received the eighth New Europe Prize award for Higher Education and Research; Overmier was elected to the APA Board of Directors; Poortinga and Kagitçibasi were recognized as honorary fellows by the International Association for Cross-Cultural Psychology (IACCP).

The Treasurer outlined travel expense reimbursements and distributed per diem allocations.

The Secretary-General explained the organization of the agenda books and the logistics of the meeting. He encouraged Executive Committee members to provide feedback about how procedures and documents could be further streamlined.
1. **Adoption of the Agenda**
   The President presented the agenda and outlined proposed changes in the order of items to accommodate schedule demands. In addition, agenda item 21 was renumbered as 18, and a new item 21: Reflections on the Assembly meeting, and Reflections on the Executive Committee meeting was added.

**ACTION:** The Executive Committee accepted the Agenda, new items, and revised order of consideration.

2. **Report on Minutes**
   2.1 **Executive Committee 1997**
   The following revisions were requested in the minutes from the 1997 Executive Committee:
   Section 14.2 XXVII Congress Progress Report change end of first sentence to “such as a series of seminars on (a) health, and (b) diplomacy and psychology. A preparatory conference for diplomacy and psychology will occur in August, 1998.”
   Same section, third paragraph: change CETA to CIDA (Canadian International Development Agency)
   Same paragraph, add “developing countries and” before “Eastern Europe”
   First paragraph after Action and before 14.3 replace “theme” with “add-on feature”.
   Same paragraph: Delete last sentence.

**ACTION:** The Executive Committee accepted the minutes with corrections.

3. **Report of the President**
   President d’Ydewalle reported that email consultation had been used extensively during the past year and applauded this mode of discussion for those cases where reaching agreement was relatively straightforward and easy. In those cases that required more extensive discussion or that involved controversy, email had not proved as satisfactory.

   The President applauded the Union’s success in increasing its involvement with international organizations (Department of Public Information (DPI), Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC) at the UN, World Health Organization (WHO)). He added that it will be necessary to further develop and utilize these relations actively and consistently to foster the development of psychology internationally.

   As agreed in Stockholm, a letter was sent to all National Members to elicit discussion about their commitment to psychology as a profession and basic science. Eighteen replies were received from National Members, ranging from simple letters of acknowledgment to extensive compendia of information. The President’s general impression from the letters and from informal discussion was that the goal of fostering discussion and self-reflection on the support of psychology was achieved.

**ACTION:** The Executive Committee received the President’s report.

4. **Report of the Secretary-General (AG 1-13)**
   Secretary-General Ritchie focused on administrative matters. He noted that the Union office has
been reorganized, and will achieve a stable secretarial base in the Autumn. The Deputy Secretary-General has assumed responsibility for a number of activities to help in streamlining tasks and responsibilities.

The transfer of the archives occurred in June, 1998. The Secretary-General expressed gratitude to the President for extensive organization of the archives prior to shipping. He reported that former Treasurer David Bélanger would assist in sorting and further organizing the archives in a newly developed system that will serve as the permanent framework for classifying the extensive number of documents. It is estimated that the archive classification will take about 2-3 years for completion. The Secretary-General ended with some information about the current flow of Union-related materials: there are presently 230 active files, and approximately 80-100 emails arrive per week, about half of which require a response.

**ACTION:** The Executive Committee received the Secretary-General’s report.

5. **Report of the Treasurer (E 5.1, E5.2, E5.3)**
   5.1 **1997 Financial Statements (E 5.1-12)**
   Treasurer Sabourin presented a detailed description of the 1997 Financial Statements. He expressed gratitude to Nilsson and Swedish colleagues for generous support given to the 1997 Executive Committee meeting.

   There was discussion about current investment policies. The Treasurer noted that investment choices are constrained by the Union statutes and that decisions are made on advice from the Union broker. A suggestion was made to explore investing more broadly across different countries to accommodate for differential exchange rates.

   A request was made to provide an explanation for the 1992 Brussels write-off.

**ACTION:** The Executive Committee received the 1997 Financial Statements.

   The Treasurer presented the statement of operations for the UNESCO grant to ISSC.

**ACTION:** The Executive Committee received the 1997 Statement of Operations for the UNESCO grant

**ACTION:** The Executive Committee endorsed appointing Mizgala and Cie as auditors for 1998.

5.2 **1998 Budget (E 5.2, distributed at meeting)**
Budget and Statement of Operations: E5.2
The Treasurer circulated the estimated 1998 budget and described it in detail. He noted that allocation procedures from UNESCO have changed, and funds are released quite late in the fiscal year, making precise budgeting difficult. Income from royalties was unexpectedly good, as were interest rate income and foreign exchange gains. The Treasurer explained proposed expenditures, scientific activities, meeting expenses and administrative costs, and presented information on Member dues payments and accounts receivable.
The Treasurer then reviewed the statement of operations as written and noted that because income will be somewhat less than projected, it will be necessary to cut some funds. The most likely category for cuts is “research activities and projects”. The following allocations were proposed:

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**ACTION:** The Executive Committee received and approved the 1998 Budget with designated allocations to Research projects and Special activities.

5.3 **1999-2000 Budget Planning**

5.3.1 **1999 Preliminary Budget** (E 5.3.1, distributed at meeting)

The Treasurer outlined the proposed 1999 budget and briefly described revenue expectations, including an increase in ISSC grant allocations. He then described expected expenditures, including decreases in the research projects and activities category (because of increased meeting costs for the regional meeting in South Africa). If the 1999 proposed budget is accurate, it will produce a $20,000 deficit for 1999. This item was deferred for further discussion.

**ACTION:** The President thanked the Treasurer for his work, and the Executive Committee approved the financial statements.

6. **Membership Issues**

6.1 **Category 0 and Policy on Category 0 Status**

Category 0 is a temporary membership category imposed after consistent non-payment of dues. Countries placed in Category 0 are still members of IUPsyS, but are not entitled to send voting delegates to the Assembly meetings. There are currently eight countries in category 0: Bulgaria, Cuba, Dominican Republic, India, Indonesia, Nicaragua, Nigeria, and Pakistan. By the end of 1998, three countries will be due for movement to Category 0: Panama, Philippines and Venezuela; and three more countries will be due in 1999: Russia, Albania, and Uganda.

There was concern about the large number of Category 0 members. The President suggested that the definition and maintenance of Category 0 placement be brought to the attention of the Assembly. Issues to be covered included guidelines for membership category changes to
Category 0, and strategies for how to move countries out of Category 0 to higher categories.

**ACTION:** The Executive Committee proposed developing an Assembly agenda item addressing the definition of Category 0, conditions for Category 0 continuation and changes in the status of Category 0 member countries.

6.2 **Non-payment of dues for 3 years**  
The Executive Committee considered each country currently in or nearing category 0 membership. Where appropriate, countries were grouped by region and common solutions were sought.

**Russia.** The President provided background on the situation in Russia. During 1997 the Vice President of the Russian Academy of Sciences assured that funds would be available to pay past dues (currently about $17,500). This did not materialize, and the Russian member has now agreed that these funds are unlikely to materialize. The Russian member asked for change in status from Category M to Category D, with the expectation that funds for membership in Category D will be available. The floor was opened to discussion. Strelau noted that when Russia again got a chance to be a member of the Union, the National Member expected that the Russian Academy of Sciences would provide funds, although there was no formal agreement to this effect. The proposed solution of lowering the category membership level to allow a lower payment threshold will provide the Academy with a reasonable compromise for which they have the means to respond.

**ACTION:** The Executive Committee approved retroactive placement of Russia into Category D.

**Eastern Europe:** it was proposed to send a letter from the President to the respective Academies of Science for Bulgaria, Albania and Russia, noting the effects of non-payment of dues and asking for rectification.

**Latin American countries:** a sub-group of Ardila, Sanchez-Sosa and Sabourin will address payment issues in these countries.

**India:** there are membership issues about who represents psychology. A new organization wants to apply to replace the present member. The accepted suggestion was to prepare a proposal for the Assembly stating that the present organization does not represent psychology in India, and a new one is more appropriate. Adair, who will monitor India, commented that it is important to ascertain what association represents psychology in the country, and recommended that the Union move cautiously with respect to the membership approaches in India. This might involve terminating the present organization and making approaches to another for membership.

**Indonesia, Nigeria, Pakistan:** Poortinga will monitor these countries.

**Philippines:** there has been no contact. Letters have been returned. Pawlik will monitor the situation. The Executive Committee was requested to forward any contact information for countries in Category 0, and was reminded that initiating or maintaining contact with Category 0 countries is crucial to the health of the Union.
There was discussion of voting rights of those countries that have not paid dues for 0-3 years. There was concern that the Executive Committee does not have the mandate to deny or grant voting rights *per se* to members, although they do have the mandate to call this information to the Assembly’s attention.

A thorough check of the statutes indicated that those countries that have not paid dues for two years are still in their original categories and will still be allowed to vote. Altering this would require a change in the statutes that will need to be considered for future meetings. An alternative possibility is to demand that only members can vote that are in “good standing”, defined as having paid dues through the prior fiscal year.

A suggestion from the officers was to develop a proposal defining good standing conditions for submission to the Executive Committee next year and subsequent presentation to the Assembly in Stockholm.

There was a proposal to ask well-off countries pay the dues for other countries, particularly in the same region. Discussion focused that although this is unlikely to occur at the institutional level, it may occur as the result of initiative from individual members, with the permission of the Category 0 National Member.

The Treasurer noted that there is an overall biased distribution of categories of membership. There is one group of Category 0, and another large group at Category D (which is the first category with 2 votes). The suggestion was made to introduce the idea at the Assembly of changing the category structure by raising the level required for having two voting delegates.

**ACTION:** The Executive Committee approved a motion to introduce the item of Category definition at the Assembly.

Further discussion included a proposal to accept a country for membership upon payment of the first year’s dues. Objections were that this might preclude a country that is motivated to enter the association but is too poor to pay the dues.

The President proposed that the officers prepare a proposal with written guidelines for the obligation to pay one year’s dues before acceptance as member.

**6.3 Current applications for National Membership or for changes in membership (E6.3)**

The Slovakian and Ukrainian applications were accepted this year, and materials were sent. Membership Categories still need to be set. Georgia (which was accepted last year) has asked for Category A.

Documentation was received recently from Mongolia (in German) for admission to the Union. They have been requested to send analogous forms in English.

**Peru** has sent in an application for membership (E6.3). The Secretary-General gave a synopsis of
the application documents, and noted that it seems as though a license is required to be in this organization. Sanchez-Sosa remarked that in Mexico a license is required to teach in the university, so the licensing requirement might not preclude academics.

The Executive Committee read the submitted statutes and found that it was unclear whether the organization is professional only or both professional and scientific. Sanchez-Sosa noted that the applying organization might be a loose organization of scientific societies and a professional college that is concerned with licensing and regulations. Both Sanchez-Sosa (who was familiar with some of the members of the group at different universities), and Ardila (who was familiar with some of the universities) agreed that this is a diverse group.

The Executive Committee stated that more information, specifically the statutes, was required for the proposal to be evaluated, and should be requested.

**Spanish network of psychology** (A 3.2). A request was received from the National Member in Spain, the Federación Española de Asociaciones de Psicología, indicating that it had reached a cooperation agreement with the Colegio Oficial de Psicólogos, and requested formal acceptance of the agreement and changed representation. The National Member was told that it could change representation upon presentation of the statutes as a strong criterion for change. The President added that this should be a straightforward decision because the Colegio is an organization that was not included in the original federation. Sanchez-Sosa added that 70% of the members in the two organizations overlap, and are mainly academics. Pawlik suggested that because the Spanish organization is large and strong, it should be given a higher membership category.

The Executive Committee agreed that any change in membership will require presentation of the Statutes and deferred further discussion until that time.

6.4 **Recruitment efforts**

**National Members:** In addition to Mongolia and Peru (see 6.3) there have been inquiries from Kuwait, Saudi Arabia, Brazil, Bahrain (1997) and Yemen. With the exception of Peru, there has been no follow-up from potential National Members.

Materials have been prepared for the APA-sponsored World’s Fair. Executive Committee members were encouraged to attend.

A question was raised about whether to invite European Associations to be Union affiliates. There was little consensus on this matter. The standing committee on research was asked to prepare a proposal outlining the criteria for affiliate status.

There was a question of whether guidelines for drafting statutes for new members had been prepared. They have not as yet, and there was a suggestion to include an outline for preparation of statutes in such guidelines.

**Affiliates:** There was discussion on the criteria and definitions of different sorts of affiliates and the need for the Executive Committee to develop a proposal defining affiliate criteria. For
example, one type of affiliate that has not been solicited are regional affiliates. Many activities of
the Union can best be accomplished at the regional level, rather than National.
It was noted that IUPsyS not solicited affiliates in the past. It is important to convey the message
to potential affiliates that affiliation can occur with many organizations. Being an affiliate
implies no financial obligation. Some organizations are eager to be an affiliate of the Union; this
is a good opportunity for collaboration between IAAP and the Union and the suggestion was for
the Union officers to make contact with the IAAP officers. This topic was deferred for discussion
at the IAAP/Union officers’ meeting.

6.5 Cooperation with National Members
Overmier presented information on developments in the US. Two items may have international
interest: results from a “Summit Meeting” and a new “Decade of Behavior” initiative. The
“Summit” was a meeting in the US attended by a large number of mainly North-American
psychology organizations that covered a large range of topics. It was attended by the IUPsyS
President. The Chair of this meeting, Milton Hakel, agreed to make a short presentation at the
Assembly. A similar presentation from an analogous exercise in Australia will not be presented.
The Decade of Behavior, an initiative analogous to the Decade of the Brain, is intended to be a
vehicle for generating interest in the behavioral sciences at the policy and funding levels by
indicating the broad value of the behavioral sciences to policy makers, funders and the public. At
present a large number of funding agencies and psychological associations in the US have
endorsed this initiative, and international endorsement is welcome.

ACTION: The Executive Committee approved proposals that the President send letter to the
American Psychological Association (APA) endorsing the Decade of Behavior initiative,
and send a letter to the ISSC introducing the initiative.

7. Report of the Standing Committee on Communications and Publications (A:9-1)
Pawlik, Chair of the Standing Committee, summarized activities of the Committee on several
publication projects and provided information on preparatory work for publications, including
meetings with Rohays Perrey and Michael Forster of Psychology Press.

7.1 The IUPsyS program of communication and publications - general perspectives

ACTION: The Executive Committee approved the appointment of Francois Dore as Editor of the
International Journal of Psychology (IJP) until December 31, 2001, and expressed its
appreciation of his direction and achievements during the past term.

7.2 International Journal of Psychology (E 7.2 Annual report)
Editor Doré summarized his annual report. He noted that it includes data on preceding years as
well as the past year, to help in decisions about future directions of the journal.

Suggestions for changing the IJP from the Standing Committee were as follows: (1) The
description of the aims and scope of the journal should include applied as well as basic research.
(2) In addition to regular empirical articles and special issues, the journal can publish review
articles of special kind: in English or French, that reviews literature of other languages. (3)
Essential informational elements will be retained, but profiles of Psychology in other countries
would be written by the associate editors on information requested from National members; the views and opinions section would not be retained.

There was extensive discussion about the wording of the review article sentence, and agreement that the principle is to solicit reviews of literature outside English language groups, regardless of the language of publication. It was agreed that Dore would prepare a statement for approval.

**ACTION:** The Executive Committee received and applauded Dore’s report.

**Pawlik** reported on a meeting with Psychology Press, and noted that they were delighted to report that IJP has not experienced a decrease in subscriptions, as have other journals. Other past publications are doing well, and providing consistent royalties.

### 7.3 International Congress of Psychology 1996: Congress proceedings

**Adair** reported that the editors are delighted with the production of the Congress Proceedings, which are attractive, high quality volumes. They found it unfortunate that the price was too high to allow aggressive marketing. **Sabourin** noted that the production of the volumes was aided by excellent collaboration from all authors, and that royalties on the volumes this year were very good. About 900 volumes were sold in Montreal.

### 7.4 International Congress of Psychology 2000: Abstracts and Congress Proceedings

**Nilsson** reported on plans for the Congress Proceedings. As in past Congresses, the Union will take responsibility for the Proceedings, and the organizers will provide the editing. The Treasurer noted that the contract sent to **Nilsson** by Psychology Press was not entirely complete – it is necessary to negotiate the editorial expenses before signing the contract.

**Nilsson** and **Sabourin** will work together in negotiations with Psychology Press, including securing funds for editorial expenses. The Standing Committee and the Executive Committee expect that the publisher will provide editorial expense funds as a condition of continued publication with Psychology Press. The President noted that the agreement is ultimately signed by the Secretary-General.

**Nilsson** reported that it was planned for submissions, Abstracts and other information to be handled via the Internet. This will require a computer and access to a browser. People who do not have this access will be allowed to send in abstracts on paper. The preliminary and final programs for the Congress will be printed in paper and electronic forms. The electronic forms will be available on the Internet.

Plans were to publish the abstract book in electronic media form only, and to provide opportunities at the Congress to read the electronic form. In addition, it was planned to print a small number of archival copies of the abstracts. **Pawlik** noted at this point that Psychology Press had agreed to prepare a double issue of the IJP with all the abstracts (560 pages) and to print sufficient extra copies to provide single copies at $2.60 per copy. The Executive Committee agreed that this was an acceptable solution.

### 7.5 IUPsyS Directory - New Edition
Overmier provided a detailed status report that generated considerable discussion. Concerns were expressed about financial implications. It was agreed that the directory be incorporated into the new psychology resource series. Further discussions are expected between the chair of the Standing Committee on Communications & Publications, the Treasurer and Psychology Press with continuing consultation with Overmier (see also 7.8 below).

7.6 **International Handbook of Psychology** (E7.6)

Pawlik and Rosenzweig summarized progress on the Handbook, noting that all chapters are well underway. The final chapter on applied psychology may be authored by J. Prieto with co-authors of his choosing.

Kagitçibasi asked for the results of questionnaires sent for the Handbook to National Members.

7.7 **History of the Union**

Bélanger, Rosenzweig and Holtzman have reviewed some of the Union archive materials and distributed a tentative outline of what they expect to cover in a book on the history of the Union (supplementary material E 7.6) to the Executive Committee. Rosenzweig will cover the period until 1951 (from prehistory); Bélanger will cover the period 1951-1972 using the archives; Holtzman will cover the period from 1972 on. They noted that it was clear in reviewing the available materials that some of the early history is unavailable and will be hard to retrace, and expressed the hope that the Union will maintain a more thorough archive. For example, the Union does not possess proceedings of most international congresses, and photos are available only from the Leipzig Congress. There was a suggestion that the Executive Committee put forth an urgent call for donation or loan of historical documents with the following text:

URGENT CALL FOR DONATION OR LOAN OF HISTORICAL DOCUMENTS

The International Union of Psychological Science (IUPsyS) is establishing an archive of documents, photographs, and other items of interest related to the development of the IUPsyS, its International Congresses of Psychology, and other international activities. Any person who has such items or is aware of their existence is invited to contact Dr. David Bélanger, Department of Psychology, University of Montreal, CP 6128, Succ. Centre-Ville, Montreal, Qc, H3C 3J7, Canada. Fax: 514-486-5154. Email: ClaudeB@AFI.ca

These documents and photographs would be especially valuable in the preparation of a book by Drs. Mark Rosenzweig, Wayne Holtzman, and David Bélanger on the history of the IUPsyS, to be published in 2000. Therefore, it would be greatly appreciated if items of interest can be sent as soon as possible. For bulky items, reimbursement of shipping costs is possible.

There was general discussion of how to obtain archival materials, and it was suggested that people be solicited to send in program books for Congresses. D’Ydewalle noted that the proceedings of all the Congresses are available at his departmental library. Overmier said he has a scattering of some Congress volumes. Rosenzweig will check whether other Unions have written histories of their Unions within the ICSU framework. It was noted a Spanish psychologist presented a dissertation on the first 16 Congresses in 1982, and a copy has been made available to the authors. A Spanish thesis on the later Congresses was scheduled for defense in September, 1998, and it is hoped that a copy may be made available to the authors.
There was a suggestion to increase visibility of the book by incorporating it into the registration materials of ICP 2000 for a reduced price. Nilsson agreed that this was possible. The Swedish organizers will probably not be able to collect money for the book because there would be additional costs in doing this, but will be able to publicize it. Zhang asked about the copyright, and noted that if this is not an issue, the volume can be translated into Chinese and be available for the 2004 Congress.

Current estimates are that the book will be between 250-300 printed pages. Whether the book will reach the lower or higher end will depend on photos and appendix materials. Plans are to have the book camera ready by April, 2000, so it can be turned over to a publisher and then sold in advance form at the ICP 2000.

There was discussion of possible publishers. Pawlik suggested this as a possible book for the IUPsyS resource series currently being discussed with Psychology Press. APA was suggested as a publisher because of their tradition as a publisher of history books. However, it was agreed that it would still be necessary to have a primary publisher, and APA might take over as a secondary publisher. There was concern that publishing Union works by a national association might lead to misperceptions by some.

7.8 IUPsyS Resource Texts series in Psychology

Last year in Stockholm a new series was proposed and agreed on. Kagitçibasi has completed the Directory of the Young Child and Family, and this has been proposed as the first volume in the resource series.

Psychology Press has suggested a new series, called “Resource Files” of useful information about psychology and psychologists internationally. The idea would be to increase the subscription price of the journal to include the Resource File, perhaps in addition with a CD ROM file with directory information. The recommendation from the Standing Committee to the Executive Committee was:

-Provided that a person can be identified who will update material regularly, and provided that negotiations regarding the costs are satisfactory, the IUPsyS should stand open to this project. Details will have to be negotiated about expenses, appearance, and the question of a ring binder or some other format.

Overmier noted that updating to such material as the current Directory can only be attempted every 3-4 years—the updating itself will take a year, and it is not economically feasible to attempt to do it every year. He stated that about 600 hours of work have been spent on the database to date, and it is only half to 2/3 of the way completed. Thus, constructing a proper database is at least a $10,000 project. The greatest amount of effort is directed to finding and checking contact information. If contact information were actually current, the procedure would be very rapid. Overmier expressed concern that updating the volume as frequently as every 3 years could prove too costly. He noted that some updating can be accomplished at little cost -- officers of each country, and additions. What is time consuming are updates within countries. This can be somewhat aided if new country applications must also submit information about all research institutions in the country. Once this information is on a CD-ROM, it would be possible to add other, useful information such as journal lists (journals published in each country), and other resource information. Overmier stressed that it is important to develop efficient procedures for
updating, including designating where new information will be sent.

At a meeting with Psychology press the following items agreed:

1. The Kagitçibasi report will be published in the IJP platform section, instead of as the first volume in the resource series.

2. Whether the Directory is a periodical or stand alone book is open to discussion, but the format should be in book/periodical form with a pocket for the CD

7.9 IUPsyS Brochure and Internet Homepage (E7.9)

The Secretary-General distributed the new IUPsyS folders and brochure.

ACTION: The Executive Committee acknowledged the brochure and folder, and voiced appreciation to Bullock and Ritchie for their efforts and for the generous support from APA for the Brochure production.

ACTION: The Executive Committee requested that the Secretary-General convey this appreciation in a letter to APA.

Deputy Secretary-General Bullock outlined proposals for expanding the IUPsyS Web page to be more of a visible resource.

ACTION: The Executive Committee endorsed expansion of the web page.

7.10 PSICODOC (Spanish language CD-ROM literature documentation)

Pawlik asked for Executive Committee support to the CD ROM and to extend its auspices for publication of the CD ROM.

Discussion focused on the current producers of the CD-ROM (the Colegio) and whether they want to make a contract for publication and distribution. The answer is that they want to use the profits from the CD-ROM for other projects (e.g., free access to the Internet). The Executive Committee agreed that there will need to be procedures to ensure that the CD-ROM gets maximal circulation if it will endorse it. The Executive Committee suggested that if the Colegio cannot effect a worldwide distribution, they should contact the Union’s publishers for wider distribution.

It was noted that the quality of the information is high, the contents are broad and scientifically comprehensive, and the computer program is very simple.

ACTION: The Executive Committee endorsed the request from the Colegio to extend IUPsyS auspices to PSICODOC.

7.11 Psychological Data Archiving: Set-up of and access to research data base facilities
Pawlik referred for the need to develop standardized data archiving for raw data of studies published in psychology, and noted that other sciences had already instituted facilities and procedures for archiving. He proposed that IUPsyS assess the needs and possibilities, and work with other national and international organizations to introduce readily accessible primary data archiving in psychology.

7.12 Other publication topics or initiatives (E 7.12)

Special Meeting with Psychology Press
Visitors: Rohays Perry and Michael Foster; Orjan Salling (2000 Congress).
Pawlik opened the meeting by summarizing recommendations of the standing committee:

1. Journal – there will be a realignment in scope

2. Abstracts for the 2000 Congress – The solution of printing copies as a run-off from the IJP issue is a good compromise and estimates are that more than 1000 copies may be required.

Psychology Press indicated that the number of copies is not a problem as long as they know early in the printing process. Nilsson added that the Swedish colleagues are in the process of negotiating with the Stockholm Congress organization, and they will have to bring this into the negotiations. Perry added that the $2.60 per copy is an estimation only, and she will need to find precise print costs.

Salling noted that some issues still need to be resolved, including costs of formatting data base information for abstract publication. The other issue is that having electronic abstracts only would mean that only those who register for the Congress (and pay the fees) will be included in the abstract book, whereas written abstracts have a greater time lag. This means that the deadlines for printing need to be as late as possible. There was discussion about whether to publish the abstracts before the Congress or shortly thereafter. It was agreed that abstracts should be published at the time of the Congress.

3. Directory: Overmier noted that current procedure is to ask countries to first give country information and then to send back requests for research institute information. The problem cases are those countries for which there has been no response.

All the information on all institutions received to date has been entered onto a spreadsheet that has been sent to each country via electronic forms, fax, or mail. A number of these are out now. The procedure is very labor intensive, primarily because of the non-reporting process. Reports have been checked for accuracy, although generally not telephone numbers or faxes. Email and WWW addresses are checked regularly.

The labor-intensive procedure was a concern if this directory will be continuously updated. Presently its cost is about $10000, and there is question of whether updates will be economically feasible, and whether subscription increases would sufficiently cover expenses so that the Directory will provide new royalties to the Union.
The President noted that it was understood that the databases would be maintained in the Psychology Press office, to which Perry agreed, saying that the updates would be handled by Psychology Press each year. Updates would have to rely on information coming in to Psychology Press, rather than on active solicitation. Psychology Press does not expect that the directory will be complete the first time around, and incomplete parts will be filled in after the first volume is published. There will be a large initial investment of time and energy that will then continue on its own momentum. The annual updates are perceived as a scattering of replacements and corrections.

4. Resource File: the publisher perceives The Resource File as a periodical, and it was unclear what the costs for the Union would be. The Executive Committee asked Psychology Press for proposals on the cost side.


Kagitçibasi summarized activities of the Standing Committee in several areas

(a) a working group was established to develop a questionnaire on education, training and current trends in psychology. Before sending this questionnaire, it was agreed to collect information already gathered on national trends and legal status internationally. Kagitçibasi had received two questionnaires that included questions similar to those designated by the working group: a questionnaire distributed by a joint EFFPA/IAAP initiative to EFFPA and IAAP members, and a survey sent by Rosenzweig and Pawlik to National Members. Because of the substantial overlap, it was decided to postpone development of the Executive Committee questionnaire until information from the extant questionnaires was available. Overmier also commented that he had information relevant to some of the questionnaire concerns that was gathered from about 40 countries for the Directory project.

(b) A letter was sent from President d'Ydewalle to National Members asking them to consider the ways in which their associations promoted the science and profession of psychology. A total of 18 responses had been received to this letter.

Because of the large number of written contacts to members, the standing committee proposed making individual contacts with National Members at the Assembly to ask a few important questions on a face-to-face basis. These questions would focus on educational practices, the definition of a psychologist, legal status of psychologists, and the National Member’s perceptions of their problems and possible Union roles in addressing problems and promoting psychology at the international and national level.

There was discussion of the need to coordinate any contacts requiring information from National Members not only among the Executive Committee but also with other organizations.

8.1 Report of the Women’s Subcommittee (Bullock, Overmier, Ritchie, Zhang, Kagitçibasi).
It was announced that there would be a meeting with the initiators of the proposal for a women’s committee to set a possible agenda of what the subcommittee can do.

9. **Report of the Standing Committee on Research and Special Projects** (A 10.1 (report); A10-5; A10.1-1)
The Chair of the Standing Committee Strelau submitted a report listing current research projects, and noted that the Union has recently focused on new projects in the context of “psychology in a multidisciplinary environment”.

1. **Strelau** reported the results of a letter sent to National Members asking for research proposals for 1998-1999. There were five responses to these letters. Most were indications that the National Members were interested in joining or finding out about ongoing projects.

There was discussion about the goal of asking for research proposals. One of the goals was to build up a set of possible projects for support from the ISSC when priorities become known.

2. There was discussion of the definition and functions of the Standing Committee, and of its purview. Pawlik commented the rubric “special projects” has always included a mosaic of activities. Because special projects often arise from unpredictable opportunities or needs, there may at times be a mismatch between what is proposed and the more specific needs of the Union as it proposes projects to ICSU and to other agencies.

Overmier proposed that the issue of specific special project requirements for projects for ICSU and ISSC be taken to the Assembly, which may not be aware of the kinds and scope of appropriate projects. Although it is impossible to specify projects because the machinery of submitting to ISSC means that priorities are not known much in advance, it should be possible to solicit proposal ideas that are generally appropriate.

There was discussion of how to best distribute funds to support National Members in their research efforts as seed money, capacity building, etc. The general sentiment was that the Executive Committee would like to respond positively to the 5 National Members who sent in research ideas, and to find a mechanism for providing seed money, which can be very important in developing projects in developing countries.

There was also discussion of how to encourage research projects not directed by Executive Committee members. The Secretary-General noted that although the money received from major grants has been funneled through Executive Committee members, they serve more as a conduit. Much of the money has gone directly to enabling others to provide activities, for example in the ARTS program, or in the WHO (modules) project where 1/3 of the money from is from UNESCO and 2/3 from National Member support.

It was agreed to gather information from the Assembly on research needs and priorities and to take the current responses to the research project solicitation letters and ask how these needs can be turned into research applications within a limited infrastructure.
Pawlik noted that only interdisciplinary projects will be supported by the UNESCO MOST program; further, most terms and priorities are set by UNESCO at short notice. The Union’s strategies for proposals will also need to fit the new regionalization policy of UNESCO – where about 70% of grant money now comes from regional offices, and projects must be of interest to these offices. For this reason, information must be taken from National Members to construct a proposal, rather than asking for finished proposals directly.

There was a motion that the IUPsyS consider setting up topical scientific committees, for example on aging or other internationally relevant topics. These committees would need to be self supported, with a Chair who organized email and fax correspondence to develop a reservoir of proposals that can be used to meet project requests from ISSC and ICSU and elsewhere. Overmier noted that this is precisely what the US committee wants to do.

There was also a motion that the IUPsyS should respond to a growing dissatisfaction in Europe with the lack of European coordination in research planning at the European Union (EU) level to provide a voice for psychology. There was a suggestion that the Union call for a meeting at the next international congress to discuss research coordination and promotion in Europe with special attention to the EU.

The Secretary-General noted that the Executive Committee is struggling with developing new procedures for developing research projects. Such projects need to be collaborative with National Members. He noted that the Union engages in capacity building activities – ARTS is prime example – in which there is capacity building, an enhanced profile for IUPsyS, and demonstrated utility. A second area done well are the focused activities, such as PAGES, Kagitçibasi’s Directory, Denis’ cognitive science project. These are not capacity building activities per se, but are focused research generating activities.

There was discussion of regional groupings. This was supported because they can provide a process for research development even when funding priorities are not known. The Union can provide a regionally based vehicle for research planning.

3. Denis reported on a visit with the President to ICSU office headquarters. The Union was received well, and has begun to develop contacts with other disciplines. Three Unions appear promising for collaborative work: IBRO, IGU, and possibly the History of Sciences Union. He, d’Ydewalle and Ritchie met with the former Secretary-General of IBRO in Geneva, and had the impression that they are open to collaboration but are waiting for us to take the initiative. He also had a very good contact with the IGU president.

Denis requested input on possible collaborations with these two Unions, and urged arranging such meetings for Stockholm. He noted that the kinds of action that ICSU is willing to support include larger projects such as summer schools or seminars for young scientists. It is clear from ICSU directives that we need to consider other disciplines in planning projects and the Union should explore ways for working together on specific projects with other ICSU disciplines.

The President added that collaborations with computer science and engineering might also be fruitful, especially in collaborations between psychology and computing. There were also
suggestions for collaborations with ISSC disciplines on such topics as human security, or social conflicts.

4. A proposal from the US was received after the beginning of the Executive Committee meeting to develop centers of excellence in specific areas in psychology in regions that need development. The suggestion was that the Union note its support of the USNCs willingness to help take an active role in capacity building projects. Overmier noted that the US proposal is of a different sort than those the Union has supported and would require moving the committee to a different level of operation that would require a full Executive Committee and Assembly discussion.

There was a suggestion that the Executive Committee agree that a special Union activity in capacity building needs to begin, and to be placed on the agenda for next year.

9.1 International Network of Psychology and the Developing World
Ardila provided an update on efforts to begin a renewed level of activity in the network.

9.2 Health Net
The written report prepared by Ritchie and Sanchez-Sosa was reviewed. Substantive matters were also addressed elsewhere in the agenda, particularly those having to do with the World Health Organization.

9.3 Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Psychological Study of Peace
The Chair of this group, Michael Wessells, asked for a change in the committee composition (E 9.3), specifically that 4 members (Deutsch, Frydenberg, Govender, Iritani) rotate off, 5 new psychologists (Dawes, Bretherton, Fisher, Takehito, Sanson) join, and Deutsch and Iritani serve as senior advisors.

ACTION: The Executive Committee approved the request from Wessells for changes in the membership of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Psychological Study of Peace

10. ARTS (E 10.1, 10.2)
10.1 ARTS at the 1997 Mexican Regional Congress
The report was received.

10.2 ARTS at the 1998 IAAP Congress
Adair provided an interim report. All indications were of a very successful ARTS.

10.3 Future ARTS
A brief discussion concentrated on the possibility of Poortinga assisting in the organization of an ARTS at the 1999 Regional Congress.

11. ISSC Activities
11 ISSC Grants Program (E 11.1)
11.1.1 1997 Grants
Reports were circulated.
11.1.2 1998-99 Grant submissions (E 11.1.2)

Pawlik reported on developments within ISSC. He noted that there was discussion of how to allocate funds, which are variable in level because member associations vary considerably in the scope of their programs. A discussion has been going on in ISSC favoring more equal allocations, which in the current budget restraint would have meant large cuts for some members (including IUPsyS). Having been requested, as ISSC Vice-President for Finance, to draft a revised system of grant allocations, Pawlik suggested a merit system, whereby each association would get a basic allocation on a noncompetitive basis, as well as additional funds on a competitive merit basis. Financing this plan meant that the basic allocation would decrease and the rest would be available for the merit system. Pawlik noted that the merit system will become more important in the next biennium, as funds will be allocated also on the basis of the quality of the reports for the grants allocated before. This marks a change to a new merit, excellence based system, that is subject to accountability, and it will be important to adjust to this system in the future.

11.1.3 Planning for the next biennium

The Secretary-General noted that reports and applications often need to be prepared with short notice, and their quality will depend on the key people coordinating research projects being able to provide as complete information as possible. It is necessary to put procedures in place to be prepared to respond more quickly to requests for proposals. The optimal situation would be to have a database of possible proposals to be positioned to take advantage of opportunities as they may arise, or a roster of experts to be prepared to draft proposals rapidly. The newer proposals will be more like an elaborated abstract.

Pawlik agreed, and noted that the ISSC may invite submission of proposals before UNESCO priorities are known. In this situation, what is required is a rapid response, email network that can quickly put together proposals. It would be premature to fully prepare projects before knowing these priorities, because many or most would simply remain on paper.

11.1 World Social Science Report (WSSR) A 13-13, A13-16

The Union received an invitation in March to prepare information for the WSSR for authors for chapter text and boxes. This was prepared and submitted.

11.2 Nomination to the Executive Committee.

ACTION: The Executive Committee approved nomination of Pawlik for the ISSC Vice President, and for President in the event that the incumbent does not seek a second term.

11.3 1998 General Assembly

ACTION: The Executive Committee approved appointment of d'Ydewalle and Ritchie as delegates to the Assembly.

12. ICSU Activities (A 14-1, A 14-5, E 12.2.2-1, 12.2.3-1, 12.3-1)

12.1 1998 Extraordinary General Assembly

The General Assembly was held in Vienna at the end of April, 1998. This meeting was attended
by d’Ydewalle, Ritchie and Denis. The major event at this meeting was to change the statutes. These changes are summarized in A 14-1, page 2. The Union was always an *ex officio* member of the General Committee, which has now been abolished. There is now rotation and election in an expanded (from 6 to 8 members) Executive Board. Although it is an elected position, there is an implicit understanding that it would be desirable for IUPsyS representation on the Board next time.

Discussion centered on the reasons for the changes in statutes, which were to increase efficiency and to pay more attention to science policy. Overmier noted that positive efforts in this regard as well as an increase in activities would be welcome in the US, which is concerned with the effectiveness of ICSU activities. He also noted that there is danger of a decrease in US contributions to ICSU activities, as well as a decrease in US resources allocated to international Unions.

It was noted that the name of ICSU has changed. It is now the International Council for Science (formerly International Council of Scientific Unions). The acronym will remain the same.

12.1 **ICSU Grants Program**

Materials for grant proposals are in the documents. The issues mirror those discussed for ISSC. The Treasurer called attention to a document listing present large grant applications and allocations, and noted that successful grant applications were those with specific, content related science goals, rather than more general goals.

12.2.1 **1997 Grants**

Reports were circulated.

12.2.2 **1998 Grants**

Information was circulated.

12.2.3 **1999 Grant submissions**

Submissions were circulated.

12.2.4 **2000 Grant proposals**

The importance of submitting a large-scale, inter-disciplinary grant was noted. This will most likely be generated through the cognitive science project coordinated by Denis.

12.3 **World Science Conference**

The World Science Conference will be held in Budapest June 26-July 1, 1999. It is clear that there needs to be strong IUPsyS representation, and that a number of people from the Executive Committee should attend the Conference as finances allow, because this will be the occasion during the next half-decade to influence those who have to make decisions on science policy. Executive Committee Members were asked to attempt to be designated as a delegate to this Conference by their own institutions or Academies of Sciences.

There was a suggestion that the Officers attempt to recruit other individuals who can be invited to attend in support for the Union.
12.4 CODATA
Data archiving is one of the central issues – Sabourin will be presenting a report on data archiving and the current situation in psychology. ICSU has created a group called the Ad Hoc Group on Data and Information, that will merge with CODATA. At the political level this group will be concerned with issues related to new intellectual property laws currently being enacted. For example, the enactment of treaties for the protection of data may have an impact on free access to data for scientific use.

There is a meeting of CODATA in November in Delhi. Sabourin will not attend unless outside support can be secured. However, it is important for the Union to attend or to send representation to this meeting.

13. United Nations
13.1 UN Headquarters (New York)
IUPsyS has been granted Special Consultative Status with ECOSOC and consultative status with the Department of Public Information. Plans are underway to set up a team of local representatives to attend the different activities of relevance to psychology (e.g., NGO Committee on Health, NGO Committee on mental Health, etc.).

14. WHO (documentation: A 17; Ritchie summarized his contacts with WHO officials, especially his meetings at WHO headquarters in Geneva. He noted in particular that this is a period of active transition at WHO, with the arrival of the new Director-General Gro Harlem Bruntland, and will require careful attention in the coming year. The executive committee was also referred to the Healthnet/WHO report prepared by Ritchie and Sanchez-Sosa.

15. ICSSD and WHO
Bullock reported on recent ICSSD activities, which include plans to publish an International Bibliography of the Social Sciences (produced in collaboration with UNESCO). A current direction in ISCCD is inter-regional activities. Bullock informed ICSSD about the coming regional Congress in South Africa, because ICSSD has sponsored activities in Africa, and asked whether there was any interest in sending information to be distributed at this Congress or in participating.
Bullock also reported on a WHO-sponsored workshop "New Approaches for Health Research Strategy Planning", that she attended in September. The goal is to mobilize the scientific community to participate in the development of a scientific platform for global health development.

16. International Congresses of Psychology
16.1 XXVII Congress Progress Report (E 16.1)
The report of the Executive Committee was distributed to the Executive Committee, and representatives from the Congress Executive Planning Committee answered questions about the meeting. Zhang requested preferences for precise dates in 2004. July is very hot in China and August may be better. Information will be solicited about other international meetings to avoid conflict, especially with APA.
16.2 **XXVIII Congress Progress Report**

The President encouraged the development of contacts and information for future Congress venues.

16.3 **Future prospects**

17. **Regional Congresses**

17.1 **1997 Mexican Regional Congress**

A report was circulated and an article is being published in the International Platform section of IJP.

17.2 **1999 Southern Africa Regional Congress**

Representatives of the Psychological Society of South Africa and the South African National Committee for IUPsyS (Neo Roda Matabe, President Elect, Saths Cooper, President, Shotli Mikklake, Treasurer, Lionel Nicholas, Editor of the SA Psychology Journal, Patrick Sibaya, Executive Member, Telene Soyi, IUPsyS Committee), as well as APA (Ray Fowler, CEO) and IAAP (Michael Frese, President Elect) joined the discussion.

The President welcomed the guests and the opportunity to have the next Executive Committee meeting in South Africa, and asked Saths Cooper to take the floor.

Cooper provided an overview of the current state of psychology in South Africa. He noted that over last 2 decades psychology has moved in the direction of becoming a guild, and practitioner, not science issues have dominated. South African National Committee for IUPsyS and the Psychological Society of South Africa are concerned that this trend not continue. To this end, they are interested in fostering the scientific sides of the discipline, in encouraging the use of psychological knowledge in decision making, and in supporting an agenda to bring psychological practice in line with the rest of the world by, for example, requiring a Doctorate as the minimal requirement for psychological practice. In this regard. The Regional Meeting will be important in bringing South Africa back into the international psychology circle, and in helping it achieve equivalence with rest of world.

He then described the planned program for the Regional Congress, which is organized in conjunction with the annual meetings of the Psychological Society of South Africa to make it more viable in terms of presentations and finances (e.g., reductions in airfares, accommodation subsidies and bursaries for students from developing countries).

The Scientific Program committee welcomes representation from IUPsyS, and help in shaping the program within the limited planning time available. Cooper urged members of the Executive Committee to participate in the invited program, to play an active role in round tables, to provide input on professional licensing, and to meet with representatives on the governmental level and with key stakeholders in society.

The organizers would like to keep the Congress deadlines as late as possible to ensure wider
participation. The deadline for abstracts will be the end of January or beginning of February, with turn around by March. The program will be available in March. The Scientific program committee includes Nicholas, Sibaya, Sodi, and additional people from the region (e.g., Zimbabwe, etc.).

Questions from the Executive Committee concerned identifying the target audience for the Congress, including the extent of regional cooperation. Cooper said that there will be substantial input and participation from other sub-Saharan African countries, both academics and practitioners (e.g., the Africa chapter of the World Council for Psychotherapy will meet in November and the Psychological Society of South Africa will encourage their participation), and noted that besides South Africa and Namibia, the rest of the continent tends to have psychologists who are in academia and not in practice.

Additional questions from the Executive Committee included the language of the Congress (monolingual English), what assistance the Executive Committee could provide in supporting the regional aspects of the congress, and whether it would be useful to have large numbers of Europeans attend.

Cooper replied that they would like as many participants from other parts of the world as possible, for many reasons. Most importantly, the presence of an international participation is important to changing the perception of the value of psychology from a policy side.

The Executive Committee agreed to send information about areas of interest and expertise presently available to the Congress organizers, and for individuals to supplement this information, especially with any ARTS possibilities. Cooper also asked Executive Committee members to take information about the meeting for insertion in newsletters, bulletins, and listservs to broadcast its venue. It was noted that the International Congress of Comparative Psychology is also scheduled to be in South Africa, offering the possibilities for mutual advertising.

The President thanked the guests for their presentation and participation, and urged them to also involve other South African countries in the planning process. Cooper requested that the Executive Committee send information through Sabourin, who is the primary representative in terms of advance work.

The Executive Committee was informed that Jim Georgas would represent the IACCP, and that Michael Frese would represent the IAAP.

Cooper noted that there are plans to have a special issue of the national journal on this congress. One goal is to encourage international journals to be more open to a focus on articles on Africa in journals. Ritchie suggested the IJP Platform Section, and Frese offered the Applied Journal section for similar information.

17.3 Future prospects
This item was considered briefly. Venues for future Congresses will be affected by the decision on the 2006 IAAP Congress, among other matters. The IUPsyS has received informal expression
of interest from Chile.

18. **Preparation for the Assembly Meeting**
The agenda was reviewed. Roles and responsibilities were re-confirmed.

19. **Relationships with Other Psychological Organizations**
19.1 **Report of the Joint Committee on IUPsyS/IAAP Cooperation**
The President reported on a breakfast meeting with the IAAP officers, which was a pleasant and cordial exchange. Meetings with the President-elect of IAAP, Frese, led the officers to expect good, cooperative interactions.

The President asked the Secretary-General to summarize the meeting:
(a) Future regional congresses - 2001, 2003. The countries with the strongest interest are Chile and India. There was also recognition that Vietnam and Georgia had expressed interest at the Assembly meeting. These venues were discussed and it was noted that India is very hot in the summer and the IAACP meetings may be there in 2006. There was strong support for Georgia because it has been strong in the history of psychology. There was a suggestion to ask them for a letter of intent to be sent in time for the 1999 meeting. This letter should also include statements about the situation of psychology in Georgia.

(b) International meetings – the IAAP executive was split between Budapest and Athens for the 2006 meetings. They will make two site visits and make a determination by the end of the year, so we will not know until December or so where the 2006 meeting will be. Should Budapest not be chosen, they will likely make a submission to the Union for 2008. It is unlikely that Athens will make a bid for 2008 because the Olympics will be there. In addition, there was possible interest from Colombia, Peru, and possibly Chile.

(c) The issue of overlapping executive committee meetings was discussed, as was and overlapping membership on the two executive committees. On overlapping membership, there was consensus that, as has been the convention, officers may not be in both organizations. Beyond that, concurrent membership on the two Executive Committees was seen as something that should be left to individual discretion. Recognizing that there is a possibility that one or more individuals will have membership on both committees, the officers agreed that a first operating principle would be that the organization responsible for the Congress sets its own executive committee meetings, and that the other organization does its best not to overlap. A half-day overlap would be tolerated, although the goal was to avoid any overlap.

(d) The President informed IAAP colleagues of the request at the Assembly to have a written report on progress toward enhanced collaboration and cooperation for the Stockholm 2000 meeting. IUPsyS agreed to write the report and provide a draft prior to circulation. This led to a discussion that task forces or committees for cooperation had been proposed in each group’s meetings. There was strong sentiment by Wilpert that the current system, a meeting of the officers at least once a year, was a mechanism that had produced substantial results and was working, so there was no need to change it. The group confirmed that would meet next year, and
agreed that the most cost-efficient place would be Rome, in conjunction with EFFPA.

(e) National Members seem to have gotten numerous requests in short order for the same or similar information. It was agreed that it is important to share information about intentions to consult national organizations, and there was a good faith agreement to coordinate lengthy requests, such as questionnaires.

(f) It was agreed for that there will be a liaison person from each organization for Regional Congresses. This liaison person will be chosen at least two years prior to a Regional Congress, and will be the primary contact. The organizations will consult with Congress organizers on the theme and scientific program, and will maintain the current contribution structure ($5000 for the major sponsoring organization, $2500 for the minor).

(g) There was little agreement with a suggestion that EFFPA join meetings with IAAP and IUPsyS, because the IUPsyS-IAAP relations need more time to solidify, and because EFFPA has a different role and mandate. There was consensus that EFFPA has a different purview.

Discussion of this report focused on one issue: Poortinga stressed that although there is good cooperation between the two boards, the proposal for increased cooperation was different. This proposal (the “Dutch proposal”) was for a task force to evaluate various possible future modes of cooperation, collaboration, or beyond, not to evaluate the current state of cooperation. The intention was that this task must be carried out by a group other than the officers. The task force’s job would be to consider possibilities for future interaction from a perspective beyond the current governance of the two societies, and their deliberations would be listed in a document.

Pawlik urged that the Union be more actively involved as a European voice for psychology as a science, a function that is not being currently filled. National organizations and European organizations want access to funding schemes through the common European route, and IUPsyS needs to keep open to this. There was a comment that this is a European, not a Union matter. Pawlik replied that it is a regional issue, relevant to regions other than Europe as well, and that IUPsyS does need to track the general topic of regional support. He requested that this be on the agenda for next year.

19.2 APA World’s Fair and Forum
The President asked Executive Committee members to be sure to attend.

19.3 EFPPA
In February there was the annual meeting of the Presidents of IAAP, EFFPA, and IUPsyS. At this meeting, they agreed to complete a position paper on psychology in Europe, and proposed an outline and division of tasks. The draft version will be submitted to several European organizations. The President will cover research psychology in this section of the paper.

19.4 ITC
As discussed at the last Executive Committee meeting, the ITC is not allowed to become an affiliated association because of IUPsyS statute constraints. They will upgrade to Liaison status.
In a meeting with ITC, The President discussed their interest in ARTS, and in participating in Regional Congress programming. Specifically, ITC was interested in convening an ARTS or proposing a symposium on testing for the South African Regional Congress in 1999. Adair has explored this issue further and reported that possible ARTS convenors were Fanny Cheung (equal opportunity issues; she could perhaps get outside funding) and John Oakland. Adair will continue to exchange materials and information. ITC participation in ARTS is welcomed, and the wish that they rotate through a range of topics for future ARTS was expressed.

The President expressed a need for a representative from the Executive Committee to the ITC.

**ACTION:** The Executive Committee approved appointing Adair as the representative from the Executive Committee to the ITC.

20. **Statutes and Rules of Procedure**

20.1 **Nominations and elections**
This item was discussed in the Assembly meetings, and the proposal, as drafted by Pawlik, was adopted.

20.2 **Term limits**
This item was not discussed as there were no proposals submitted.

21. **Reflections on the Assembly**
Discussion began with a general perception that the Assembly meeting, which had to cover a number of complicated documents, did well in referring people back to the documents, although there was a sense by several delegates that the detail was sometimes too heavy. Additionally, because acronyms are difficult for participants to process rapidly, they should be avoided in oral reports.

It was noted that it would be easier if all documents could be circulated before the Assembly meeting, but that pragmatic constraints made this unlikely because many delegates are unknown before the meeting times. An alternate is to attempt to deliver documents to delegates at least just prior to the meeting.

There was a suggestion that Assembly meeting time focus on issues of direct relevant to the Assembly (Congresses, etc.), rather than informational items on international organizations such as ICSU, ISSC, UNESCO which can be covered in written reports.

It was noted in answer that it is important for the Assembly to be aware of the Union’s greater involvement with and dependence on larger international bodies.

There was a suggestion that the Union begin to use the World Wide Web for communication purposes – this could contain supplementary information, as well as a glossary of acronyms. He agreed that distributing documents in advance is too costly and time consuming.

There was discussion of time allocation and it was requested that the following ordering of
agenda items be followed in future assemblies:

Assembly activities (e.g., ARTS, Congresses)
Union Activities (e.g., involvement with international organizations)
Activities of National Members
Discussion

It was also agreed to solicit ICSU and ISSC participation in the next Assembly meeting.

**ACTION:** The Executive Committee moved that Officials from ICSU and ISSC should be invited by Congress and/or IUPsyS Presidents.

22. **1999 Executive Committee Meeting**

The President summarized information about the 1999 Executive Committee meeting. (NOTE – I do not have in my notes who actually did the talking here). The central issue is where to meet next year. It is preferable to meet in conjunction with the upcoming Regional Congress, but this may be costly. There was a very productive meeting with Saths Cooper, who brought materials about Durban, South Africa, and the Psychological Society of South Africa. The Society has a preliminary budget, and is very open to supporting the Executive Committee meeting there. Cooper stressed that it is important to South African psychology to hold the Executive Committee meeting there for many reasons – including that the Executive Committee would provide an excellent role model as the average faculty age is quite young (older faculty have left). He would encourage site visits and active participation. The SA Psychological Society will also attempt to generate financial support by finding hotel and air travel deals, they will invite Executive Committee members to be in program, and they will look for private sector sponsorship. The President noted that if the Executive Committee does hold its next meeting in South Africa each member will called on to be active—to hold meetings with the South African community of scholars, to give lectures, and so on. To keep costs down, planning will need to be centralized, and each member will need to attempt to get funding from other sources. The South African Regional Congress will be held July 18-23. Thus, it would be possible to hold the Executive Committee meetings on the 17th-18th before the opening ceremony. Other meetings at the same time are the World Science conference, June 26-July 1 in Budapest, and meetings of EFFPA, July 4-July 9 in Rome. There was strong consensus on the Executive Committee that it would be important to hold the next Executive Committee meeting in South Africa on both political and principled reasons. There was also a general sentiment that the Regional Congress will be well done.

**ACTION:** The Executive Committee unanimously approved holding the next Executive Committee meeting in Durban, South Africa, and agreed to attempt to secure funding from their institutions or other sources.

23. **Other Business**

23.1 During the meeting, Rosenzweig announced that Roger Russell, a long time member of the Committee, died in July. He distributed a press release about Dr. Russell’s life and work, and proposed to the Executive Committee the following resolution drafted by Belanger, Holtzman and Rosenzweig to recognize Dr. Russell.
Draft resolution for Roger Russell:

Whereas Roger W. Russell, distinguished scientist and international leader, died on July 29, 1998 in Irvine, California, and whereas he served the International Union of Psychological Science (IUPsyS) as President, 1969-1972, as Secretary-General 1960-66, and as a key member of its Executive Committee and of its General Assembly 1957-80, and whereas his leadership and far-sighted vision contributed greatly, during difficult periods, to the successful development of the IUPsyS as it is recognized today, and whereas Roger had the unique distinction of serving the IUPsyS as a representative successively of three different countries, the United Kingdom, the United States, and Australia and whereas he served in major positions of leadership in institutions of higher education in all three countries, as well as serving as Executive Officer of the American Psychological Association in the challenging post-war period, and whereas he was a builder of major educational and scientific institutions, Be it hereby resolved that the International Union of Psychological Science expresses its profound gratitude for his distinguished contributions to international psychology as well as an outstanding achievements as a scientist and educator, and expresses its deep sympathy to members of his family, especially his loving wife, Kay Russell, whom many of us remember with deep affection.

**ACTION:** the Executive Committee adopted The Resolution.

23.2 Poortinga requested adding an item to the agenda for next year to form a joint committee of IAAP and IUPsyS for representation on ISSC.

23.3 **Reflections on the Executive Committee meeting**
In general, the Executive Committee was positive about the meeting procedures, and offered congratulations to the officers for the ways they conducted the meetings. They did recommend more breaks in the meeting schedule.

There were several comments about the multiple roles that Executive Committee members fulfill and the need to identify explicitly which role motivates comments and motions before the Executive Committee. In addition, it is incumbent on each Executive Committee member to directly ask if he or she is unsure about which “hat” others are wearing.

24. **The President adjourned the meeting at 17:35.**