

Dear Colleagues,

It is a pleasure to open this series of communication between our Board and all our members. We want that the relationship between us can be more frequent and interactive, so we are planning some different tools that can help to enhance your participation in the IASSW activities.

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We have created a space in our website where EVERY individual member or academic who are part of the member schools, can subscribe signing up with their email address, to receive news and updates from IASSW. I hope that all of you will do it so our community will become more tied and can be more active at international level.

Updates from the Dublin conference:

- We have had meeting with the IFSW newly elected President Silvana Martinez from Argentina and together with Eva Herrstrom (ICSW President) we discussed how to create a stronger and loyal cooperation at tripartite level. I think that there are very good perspectives in this sense.



Figure 1: L-R: Eva Holmberg-Herrström-President ICSW, Silvana Martinez President-IFSW, Annamaria Campanini President-IASSW

- The IFSW General Assembly has approved the Ethical Principles, prepared by the joint task force (IASSW-IFSW) although in a brief version. We have uploaded a larger version translated in the 5 languages on the website. It has been a long process, but finally we got an interesting document, thanks to the incredible effort of Chair Prof. Vishanthie Sewpaul and all the task force members. Now we expect that in any school will be a discussion of the document and that we look at this document as a working paper that can be expanded at regional or national level and we would like that feedback will be discussed in the next conference in Rimini 2020.

IASSW Election results-2018

- During the Dublin conference we have had election of the Treasurer and 2 members at large. Please join us to congratulate IASSW newly elected board members for 4 years term- 2018-2022. We have now **Treasurer** Tan Ngoh Tiong (Singapore) and **Member -at-large:** Augusta Yetunde Olaore (Nigeria) and Shajahan P. K. (India)
- IASSW Board Members and all members are looking forward for the contribution of newly elected board members for growth and development of International Association of Schools of Social Work (IASSW).
- IASSW Board and all members want to thank Mark Henrikson, Linda Kreitzer and Hernando Munoz who completed their four year term (2014-2018) for the contribution that they have given to International Association of Schools of Social Work (IASSW).

Relocating and Reincorporation

- Relocating / Finding a suitable legal/corporate and financial 'home'. We are currently incorporated and use banking services in the USA, and find compliance costs (banking, legal and audit fees), are excessively expensive and international banking restrictions are onerous.
- During IASSW General Assembly we took also a very important decision to relocate and reincorporate our finance in a less expensive country. A firm will work for this entire process as this not very simple operation that should help us to save money to be invested in our specific activities.

2020 Conference

As you all must be aware of that 2020 conference will be organised in two different locations: Rimini 28/6- 1/7 by IASSW and ICSW with the title: Promoting Human Relationship: Bridging the future! www.swesd2020.org and in Calgary by IFSW in July. As Presidents of the three International Associations we will participate to both conferences and the results will be taken in consideration to build the new Global Agenda.

The Rimini conference will be focused on social work education and social policy, so we hope that there will be a larger space for our academics to share ideas and discuss about curricula, teaching methodologies, researches!

You will find information on the website www.swesd2020.org and we are really keen to have your suggestions on how to create a more active participation during this important meeting. IASSW Members can login in the discussion forum on IASSW website: <https://www.iassw-aiets.org/discussions/> and provide their inputs. You can also reach us by sending your emails, feedback at hello@iassw-aiets.org



PROMOTING HUMAN RELATIONSHIP: BRIDGING THE FUTURE!

Hoping that this new way of communicate between us will be well received I wish you a relaxing holiday and a productive new academic year!

With warm regards,

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