

**AICT-IATC**  
Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting  
Date: 12 March 2022  
Time: 07:00 CT; 14:00 CET  
Venue: Online

1. Meeting called to order at 07:07 Central USA Time; 14:07 Central European Time on 12 March 2022.
2. **Present:**  
President (Jeffrey Eric JENKINS), General Secretary (Michel VAĪS),  
General Treasurer (Stéphane GILBART)  
Members of the Executive Committee: Argentina (Halima TAHAN FERREYRA), China (ZHU Ning), Japan (Manabu NODA), Russia (Nikolai PESOCHINSKY), Slovakia (Zuzana ULIČIANSKA), Thailand (Pawit MAHASARINAND)  
Editor-in-Chief of *Critical Stages/Scènes critiques*: Savas PATSALIDIS  
Statutes Working Group Chair, Honorary President Margareta SÖRENSON  
Statutes Working Group Member, Honorary President Yun-Cheol KIM  
**Absent:**  
Adjunct General Secretary (Natalia TVALTCHRELIDZE), Members of the Executive Committee: France (Jean-Pierre HAN), Georgia (Irina GOGOBERIDZE), Nigeria (Emmanuel DANDAURA), Serbia (Ivan MEDENICA)
3. Agenda adopted without objection.
4. Minutes for 19 February 2022 meeting of the Executive Committee adopted without objection. No matters arose from these minutes.
5. Cabinet Updates:  
General Secretary discussed his impending retirement after 28 years of service to IATC. He commended the work of his current adjunct, Natalia TVALTCHRELIDZE, saying that she would be an excellent choice to replace him. Members and guests of the ExCom took turns praising the General Secretary for his extraordinary work across the decades as he helped to build the organization, which has twice the number of countries as it did when he began, and through his work with five presidents of IATC. Member of the Executive Committee voted unanimously to recommend Michel VAĪS to become Honorary General Secretary at the next General Assembly of the association. The President asked if there were other nominations for the position of General Secretary and there were none. A vote was taken, and it was unanimous for Natalia TVALTCHRELIDZE. A press release will be created and distributed through all available channels.  
  
World Theatre Day on 27 March was discussed as was the ITI statement from Peter Sellars, which has been received and will be distributed by IATC. The IATC President will also craft a message for World Theatre Day that will discuss the importance of theatre to building cultural bridges in these times of war, as well as the importance of free expression and resistance to the oppression of dissenting perspectives.
6. Future Executive Committee Meetings (no meetings planned for July 2022 or August 2022)  
Online meetings are scheduled on
  - 30 April 2022
  - 4 June 2022

7. Discussion of Statutes Working Group:

Members of the Working Group present at the meeting included the Chair of the Working Group, Honorary President Margareta SÖRENSON, Honorary President Yun-Cheol KIM and two Executive Committee members: Argentina (Halima TAHAN FERREYRA), and Thailand (Pawit MAHARASINAND).

There was a robust discussion of numerous issues, including clarification of certain issues from the February meeting. A wide range of ideas emerged related to the structure and function of the Cabinet, with some members suggesting it was unnecessary and others making a case for the need to empower the officers to accomplish work in the absences of an ExCom meeting. The matter was returned to the Working Group for further clarification.

The Chair of the Working Group thanked the members of the ExCom for their input.

The President thanked the Working Group and noted that despite lack of complete agreement on certain elements, great progress had been made, the review is proceeding well, and proposed revisions are likely to be ready for distribution by summer.

8. Conferences Report: Tabled for a later meeting

9. Young Critics' Report: Tabled for a later meeting

10. New Business: General reminder was made by the President of the need to begin thinking about a date for the next General Assembly, where it might happen, and whether it will be online, in-person, or hybrid.

Meeting adjourned at 10:30 CTUSA; 17:30 CET on 12 March 2022.

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**Jeffrey Eric JENKINS**  
President.

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**Michel VAÏS**  
General Secretary