

**AICT-IATC**  
 Minutes of Executive Committee Meeting  
 Date: 11 December 2021  
 Time: 07:00 CT; 14:00 CET  
 Venue: Online

Meeting called to order at 07:05 Central USA Time; 14:07 Central European Time on 11 December 2021.

**1. Present:**

President (Jeffrey Eric JENKINS), Honorary President (Margareta SÖRENSON), General Secretary (Michel VAÏS), Adjunct Secretary General (Natalia TVALTCHRELIDZE)  
 Members of the Executive Committee: Argentina (Halima TAHAN FERREYRA), China (ZHU Ning), France (Jean-Pierre HAN), Georgia (Irina GOGOBERIDZE), Japan (Manabu NODA), Russia (Nikolai PESOCHINSKY), Slovakia (Zuzana ULIČIANSKA), Thailand (Pawit MAHASARINAND)

Editor-in-Chief of *Critical Stages/Scènes critiques*: (Savas PATSALIDIS)

**Absent:**

Treasurer (Stéphane GILBART) and Members of the Executive Committee: Nigeria (Emmanuel DANDAURA) and Serbia (Ivan MEDENICA)

2. Agenda adopted without objection. The President updated that the Treasurer, who was absent from the meeting, had given a financial report stating that finances were in order and that the membership payments and distribution of the new membership cards were ongoing.
3. Minutes for 13 November 2021 meeting of the ExCom adopted without objection. No matters arose from these minutes.
4. Cabinet Updates:
  - Secretary General updated that he had received requests from different members about the circulation of information.
  - Secretary General also spoke about the proposal from Georgia Section regarding the online meeting with a Georgian-German writer and playwright Nino Haratischwili. The meeting was scheduled for Friday, 17 December 2021, in English and Georgian.
  - The President thanked Zuzana ULIČIANSKA for organizing a conference in Slovakia in November and mentioned that he participated in an online “TransForum” organized by young critics in Japan as a keynote speaker on 23 November 2021. Manabu NODA mentioned that another “TransForum” would be organized in two months where ZHU Ning would be the keynote speaker.
5. Discussion on PicRights Matter:  
 The President noted that there was no news on the matter and expressed his hopes that the matter would soon be removed from the agenda.
6. Discussion of Statutes Working Group:

The president asked Members of the ExCom to contact Honorary President Margareta SÖRENSON with any comments and thoughts regarding the Statutes. A sub-working group on the matter of *Critical Stages/Scènes critiques* was created. Further development of potential changes will be undertaken by the Working Group before the next Statutes discussion at the January 2022 meeting of the Executive Committee.

7. News about the Website:

The President and the Adjunct Secretary General noted that updates to the website were ongoing. The need to look through the Archives section of the Symposia was mentioned. Test e-mails with aict-iatc.org domain would be created.

8. Future Executive Committee Meetings

Online meetings are scheduled on

- 15 January 2022 (Special: Statutes Working Group)
- 19 February 2022

9. Thalia Prize:

Serbia (Ivan MEDENICA), Thailand (Pawit MAHASARINAND), Georgia (Irina GOGOBERIDZE) are the current members of the Thalia Prize Committee. Discussion on the redefinition of the Thalia Prize followed. The president expressed his wish to have a wider geographical as well as gender representation.

10. Discussion on the Conferences:

In January 2022 new proposals will be made regarding conferences. Zuzana ULÍČIANSKA mentioned the possibility of discussing a new conference with the Festival in Pilsen, near Prague, in September 2022. Nikolai PESOCHINSKY mentioned the possibilities to organize conferences during Golden Mask in Moscow in April 2022, Turk Language Festival in Kazan in May 2022 and Baltic House Festival in September 2022. Irina GOGOBERIDZE mentioned the possibility of a meeting during the Georgian Showcase in 2022. Jean-Pierre HAN mentioned that in October 2022 the French National Section would be celebrating its 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary and 3-4 persons from AICT would be invited.

11. Young Critics Workshops:

Jean-Pierre HAN mentioned the proposal from Poland to organize a workshop during a Marionette Festival and proposed the Honorary President Margareta SÖRENSON to lead the French language group and Pawit MAHASARINAND to lead the English group. He further mentioned a possibility of organizing a young critics' workshop in Brussels at a feminist festival in fall 2022. ZHU Ning mentioned that Drum Tower West Theatre had regular young critics' workshops. If the public health situation permits, a workshop can be set in China.

12. Report on *Critical Stages/Scènes critiques*:

Savas PATSALIDIS updated that the work was ongoing on the new issue which was due end of December 2021. New issue covers 22 countries, 31 women and 21 men authors, and young scholars. He also mentioned that the festivals section on the website of the journal is being updated and asked members of the ExCom to look through the page and check the festivals in their respective countries.

13. New Business

AICT-IATC Slovak Section and Croatian Section have new Presidents.

Meeting adjourned at 09:20 CTUSA; 16:20 CET on 11 December 2021.

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**Natalia TVALTCHRELIDZE**  
Adjunct Secretary General

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**Michel VAÏS**  
Secretary General