

Minutes from the World Values Survey Association General membership meeting

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List of entitled WWSA members present at the meeting:

Abdel-Hamid Abdel-Latif, Egypt	Alejandro Moreno, México
Q.K. Ahmad, Bangladesh	Muhamad N. Hosen, Indonesia
Miguel Basanez, USA	Neil Nevitte, Canada
Elena Bashkirova, Russia	Mansoor Moaddel, USA
Jorge Benitez, Puerto Rico	Sakari Nurmela, Finland
Antoine Bilodeau, Australia	Elone Nwabuzor, Nigeria
Fares al Braizat, Jordan	Pradeep Peiris, Sri Lanka
Pierre Brechon, Grenoble	Paul Perry, New Zealand
Manuel Villaverde Cabral, Portugal	Thorleif Pettersson, Sweden
Marita Carballo, U.K/Argentina	Bi Puranen, Sweden
Henrique Carlos de Castro, Brazil	Andrei Raichev, Bulgaria
Juan D'ez-Medrano, Spain	Catalina Romero, Perú
Juan D'ez-Nicolas, Spain	Sandeep Shastri, India
Tan Ern Ser, Singapore	Renata Siemienska, Poland
Yilmaz Esmer, Turkey	John Sudarsky, Colombia
Ronald Inglehart, USA	Farooq Tanwir, Pakistan
Mebs Kanji, Canada	Temirlan Tilekovich Moldogaziev, Kyrgyz Republic
Hans D Klingemann, Germany	Gabor Toka, Hungary
Hennie Kotze, South Africa	Bogdan Voicu, Romania
Marta Lagos, Chile	Christian Welzel, Germany
Bernhard C. Lategan, South Africa	Seiko Yamazaki, Japan
Ola Listhaug, Norway	Ephraim Yuchtman-Yaar, Israel
Pham Minh Hac, Vietnam	Soo Young Auh, Korea
Jose Molina, Venezuela	Ignacio Zuasnabar, Uruguay

§1 Opening of the meeting. Elected as chair: Bernard Lategan, South Africa, as nominator: Hans-Dieter Klingemann, Germany, as secretary: Bi Puranen, Sweden,

§2 Legitimacy of the general membership meeting was agreed on. The list of entitled voters was checked and accepted.

§3 Elected as signer of the minutes were Neil Nevitte, Canada and Ephraim Yuchtman-Yaar, Israel, deputy: Fares al Braizat, Jordan. Elected as counters were Gabor Toka and Renata Siemienska.

§4 The WWSA constitution was ratified as an operating document for the WWSA: At the WWS meeting in Stellenbosch November 2001 some 50 members of the network were gathered in and an interim executive committee was chosen and given the mandate to formulate and finalize the draft of a constitution that was discussed in Stellenbosch. Based on the constitution a non-profit Association was established in Sweden in November 2003. This constitution was formally approved.

§5 Thorleif Petterson, reported on the work of the interim Executive Committee:

I. The WWSA was legally established as a non-profit organization for value research, seated in Stockholm, Sweden. According to Swedish regulations the accounts should cover the full period between November 2003 - December 2004 and will thus be reported at the next General Assembly meeting.

II. During the previous years the Executive Committee has organized three major WWS conferences (50-60 participants in each:

a) Sophia Antipolis, France, 1999: In cooperation with Theseus Institute, Sophia Antipolis and supported by the Bank of Sweden Tercentenary Foundation and The Foundation Culture of the Future, Sweden.

b) Stellenbosch, South Africa, 2001: In cooperation with the Stellenbosch Institute for Advanced Study and Stellenbosch University and supported by the Bank of Sweden Tercentenary Foundation and SIDA, Sweden.

c) Budapest, Hungary, 2004: In cooperation with Collegium Budapest and Central European University and supported by the Bank of Sweden Tercentenary Foundation.

III. Supported three conferences on value research organized by others:

a) Summer courses on value research, El Escorial, Spain, 2001- 2003(Juan Diez-Nicolas, BBVA

Foundation, Complutense university)

b) International conference on The Cultural Dimension: Human Development, Millennium Goals and World Values, Istanbul, Turkey, 2003 (Yilmaz Esmer, Bocazii university, UNDP Ankara, Consulate General of Sweden)

c) International conference on Explaining the World Views of Islamic Publics, Cairo, Egypt 2003 (Mansoor Moaddel and Abdel-Hamid Abdel-Latif, the National Science Foundation, the Ford Foundation, Eastern Michigan University).

IV. Data collection and data organization: Been able to raise partial funding for the 2000 data collection in 14 African and Asian developing countries with support from the Bank of Sweden Tercentenary Foundation, SIDA, Sweden, and Fondation Md itel, Morocco.

V. Supported and co-funded data documentation, data cleaning, and the construction of integrated WVS SPSS-data files with JDSsystems, Madrid, Spain. Archiving of the WVS data in co-operation with ASEP-JDS, Madrid, Spain.

VI. Supported three WVS publications:

— Human Beliefs and Values: A crosscultural source-book based on the 1999-2002 values surveys, including a CD with data files and data documentation, Siglo XXI Editores, Mexico. Supported by the BBVA Foundation, Madrid, Spain.

— Human Values and Social Change. Findings from the Values Surveys. International Studies in sociology and Social Antropology, Brill, Netherlands

— Islam, Gender, Culture, and Democracy. International studies in social science, Vol 4, deSitter Publications, Canada.

VII. Run a secretariat, seated in Stockholm, Sweden, funded by the Bank of Sweden Tercentenary foundation, the KK Foundation, Sweden, and SIDA, Sweden.

a) Providing public information on the WVS

b) Creating, maintaining, and updating the WVS web-page

c) Providing general support to the WVS network

VIII. The Executive Committee has finally worked on getting continued funding for the necessary infrastructure of the WWSA

§6 Since this is the first occasion for choosing servants a nominator, Professor Hans-Dieter Klingemann, was asked to prepare the elections. The proposed candidates serving as Executive Committee (EC) for the forthcoming four years were (in alphabetical order)

- Juan Diez Nicholas
- Yilmaz Esmer
- Ronald Inglehart
- Thorleif Pettersson
- Bi Puranen
- Christian Welzel

The nomination was unanimously accepted.

The following persons were nominated to serve as a Advisory Scientific Board (SAC) for the next two years:

- Miguel Basanez, Global Quality Research Corporation, Princeton, NJ, USA
- Elena Bashkurova, ROMIR, Moscow, Russia
- Fares al Braizat, University of Jordan, Amman, Jordan
- Marita Carballo, TNS Polling & Social, London, United Kingdom
- Linda Iuz Guerrero, Social Weather Stations, Quezon City, Phillipines
- Marta Lagos, Corporacion latinobarometro, Santiago, Chile
- Ola Listhaug, University of Trondheim, Norway
- Pham Minh Hac, national Center of Social Sciences and Humanities, Hanoi, Vietnam
- Hennie Kotze, department of Political Science, University of Stellenbosch, South Africa
- Gaspar K. Munishi, Department of Political Science, University of Dar es Salaam, Tanzania
- Neil Nevitte, Department of Political Science, University of Toronto, Canada
- Andrei Raichev, BBSS Gallup International, Sophia, Bulgaria
- Sandeep Sastri, Political Science Faculty, Bangalore University, Jnanabharathi, India
- Sheng Mingming, Research Center for Contemporary China, Peking University, Beijing, China
- Elone Nwabuzor, department of Political Science, University of Benin, Benin City, Nigeria
- Renata Siemienska, Department of Sociology, University of Warsaw, Poland
- Farooq Tanwir, Department of Sociology and Anthropology, Iniversity of Arid Agriculture, Rawalpindi, Pakistan
- Seiko Yamasaki, Dentsu Inc., Tokyo, Japan.

By suggestion Abdel-Hamid Abdel-Latif, Ain Shams University Womens College, Cairo, Egypt

was added to the nominated list. They were all elected

§7 Accountant Max Lindell, Sweden, was elected professional auditor for the Wvsa and professor Ola Listhaug was elected deputy auditor.

§8 Due to historical reasons the elected executive committee has a western dominance. However the executive committee was elected to promote the WVSA during the previous period on its capacity. It is the intention for the future to have a better worldwide representation in the Executive Committee as well as in the Scientific Committee however keeping in mind that the continuity and efficiency of the Association is a primary objective for those selected. Within a year before the next election of the WVSA officers a committee for the elections should be set up and procedures for the elections should be decided on by the EC.

§9 Members of the WVSA agree to deliver full documentation on the surveys including sampling procedures and data-cleaning in accordance with appendix 3 in the constitution. No surveys will be accepted until complete documentation has been delivered. Country specific contexts and observations in fieldwork of importance for the interpretation of the data should also be reported in the country-documentation

§10 The chairman declared the meeting closed.

Constitutional meeting for the World Values Survey Executive Committee

After the World Values Survey Association General membership meeting the Executive Committee had its first constitutional meeting. Present were Ronald Inglehart, Juan Diez Nicholas, Bi Puranen, Thorleif Pettersson, Yilmaz Esmer and Chris Welzel

§ 1 Opening of the meeting

§ 2 Elected as chair was Ronald Inglehart and as secretary Bi Puranen

§ 3 The EC decided for the following structure for the forthcoming mandate-period.

Chairmen: Ronald F. Inglehart
Vice President: Juan Diez Nicholas
Secretary General: Bi Puranen
Treasurer: Thorleif Pettersson
Yilmaz Esmer
Chris Welzel

§ 4 The meeting ended