ISSS Executive Committee – Minutes of Meeting

18.03.2026

The meeting opens at 18:00 (UTC+1) with the following agenda:

1. Discussion on honorary members
2. Organization of the General Assembly
3. Updates on the website
4. Any other business

The following members are present: President Michele Corradi and Executive Committee members Chloi Balla, Vitor Milione, Francesca Pentassuglio, Trinidad Silva. Emily Baragwanath, Leo Catana, Gabriel Danzig and Noburu Notomi are excused.

Below are the main points of discussion and the decisions taken on each agenda item.

1. The Executive Committee discusses the introduction of honorary membership for distinguished scholars in the field of Socratic Studies. After careful consideration, it is decided to add a provision to this effect to Art. 3 of the Statutes, to be submitted to the General Assembly. The agreed formulation provides that honorary members may be proposed by the President and the Executive Committee, subject to approval by the latter, and that there is in principle no numerical limit to the number of members who may be appointed.

The Committee then proceeds to review the final version of the Statutes to be presented at the General Assembly, identifying the amendments to be submitted to a vote and those for which the General Assembly has granted full mandate to the Executive Committee. To this end, after careful discussion, it is decided:

- to include a reference to the diversity principle in Art. 3;
- that responsibility for maintaining the membership lists referred to in Art. 3 rests with the President, with the collaboration of the Secretary (if appointed)
- to split Art. 7 by separating the section concerning the election of the President (and to renumber the remaining articles accordingly);
- to replace "shall" with "may" in the article concerning the Editorial Committee (Art. 8). The Committee reserves the right to further examine the functions and

composition of this committee before making any additional amendments to the article.

After reviewing all articles, it is decided to share this version with the other members of the Executive Committee and then to present it at the General Assembly.

2. With regard to the organisation of the General Assembly, the President proposes dividing it into three parts: (1) news and communications; (2) discussion and approval of the Statutes; (3) a broader discussion on the future of the Society and its activities to date. The Committee discusses whether to include a section dedicated to the presentation of the new website and decides to announce it in the initial communications.

The President and the members agree to propose to Kirk Sanders to chair the part of the Assembly concerning the Statutes (after the President's communications), and to Emily Baragwanath to chair the following discussion.

Regarding the date, all members agree to opt for the last week of April. The proposal will be submitted to the other members of the Executive Committee and then communicated to all members of the Society. In order to accommodate different time zones, 4:00 PM is identified as a suitable time.

3. The President and Trinidad Silva present a provisional version of the new website. The members review the various sections (History of the Society, Leadership, Statutes) and comment on the main features and possible improvements.

4. The President asks whether there are proposals for Regional Meetings. The Committee discusses a possible meeting between Rio and Santiago in October 2027, a meeting in Messina in May 2027, and potential events to be sponsored in Athens.

The possibility of proposing an ISSS panel at the World Congress of Philosophy to be held in Tokyo in 2028, and at the congress of the Fédération Internationale des Associations d'Études Classiques to be held in Ljubljana in the same year, is also discussed.

The meeting closes at 19:45 (UTC+1).