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1. OPENING OF THE MEETING.

The President of FISP, Prof. MORAN, opened the meeting, thanking all CD members for their presence. He announced that the bilingual tradition of FISP would be respected during the meeting. On behalf of FISP he expressed his special thanks to Prof. Tanella BONI and to the Department of Philosophy of the Université Félix Houphouët-Boigny for their kind invitation to host the Steering Committee, and for the excellent organisation of the conference “Politics of dignity”, held in conjunction with the meeting.



He then invited Prof. Augustin DIBI, a distinguished member of the Department of Philosophy, Université Félix Houphouët-Boigny, to deliver a welcome address to the CD.

Welcome address by Professor Kouadio Augustin DIBI

Monsieur le Président de la FISP,
Mesdames et Messieurs les Membres du Comité Directeur,

Lorsque le temps, dans sa discrétion, se saisit d'un espace pour en faire un lieu où se rencontrent des hommes venus de plusieurs horizons, comment ne pas nous réjouir de cette circonstance ! Quand, en outre, la cause qui, quatre jours durant, a pu rassembler ces hommes dans le plus fructueux et naturel exercice de l'esprit, est la philosophie, cette joie ne peut que se redoubler en elle-même pour nous conduire tout simplement à saluer la bienveillance amicale du destin.

Chacun le sait: notre pays, la Côte d'Ivoire a connu des années de crise. La crise traduit une dissonance. La dissonance provient au fond de ce que nous ne savons pas habiter le monde. Nous ne savons pas habiter le monde parce que nous ne sommes pas attentifs à l'essentiel, à ce qui, toujours le même, soutient, maintient, porte et sauvegarde. N'est-ce pas la philosophie qui tente de nous ramener subtilement à l'essentiel ? Elle vient frapper à notre porte afin que lui soit réservée l'audience qu'elle mérite.

C'est pourquoi la Société Ivoirienne de Philosophie accueille le Colloque qui vient de se tenir à Abidjan comme la nécessité à déployer en liberté, une impulsion offerte pour se détendre en elle-même et se donner une présence active à l'extérieur dans les rencontres organisées par la Fédération. Quand les choses elles-mêmes viennent jusque vers vous pour vous inviter à les suivre, comment ne pas simplement dire MERCI, le mot de la vie !

Monsieur le Président,
Mesdames et Messieurs les Membres du Comité Directeur,

Vous avez non seulement accepté de choisir notre pays pour un Colloque, vous nous faites aussi l'honneur d'y tenir votre réunion annuelle. Que cette réunion porte les fruits qu'elle mérite! Puisse la Fédération, en nous montrant par son existence que la philosophie est une occupation heureuse, nous conduire, par la médiation de la quête du sens, à devenir ami de l'homme !

À la pointe de toutes les actions, comme le souligne Hegel, se trouvent des individus qui, à titre de subjectivités, animent la substance. Avec foi, patience et persévérance, Madame la Professeure Tanella BONI, notre collègue, a initié, porté et laissé mûrir en elle l'idée de ce Colloque devenue réalité. Qu'elle trouve ici l'expression de notre infinie reconnaissance ! Elle sait que même derrière les nuages les plus gris, il y a un soleil qui ne cesse de briller.

Prof. DIBI Kouadio Augustin

President MORAN thanked Prof. Dibi for his kind words and his important remarks related to the situation in Ivory Coast; he also commented on the importance of the chosen title of the conference, reflecting human dignity and the politics of dignity. "The respect for human dignity is an essential concern for philosophy and for all human beings who are interested in justice and truth", stressed the President. He addressed his special thanks to Prof. DIBI for the realisation of this important conference and for hosting the CD of FISP, as well as to Prof. Tanella BONI for her work, "done with passion and intelligence", for the organisation both of the conference and the CD meeting.

As a sign of respect to the hosts and their country, Prof. MORAN also expressed his thanks in French. « We have made many new friends here », he concluded.



2. VERIFICATION OF PROXIES

The Secretary-general, Prof. Luca Maria SCARANTINO, presented the list of proxies, and informed the CD that some colleagues had to cancel their participation at the very last moment.

The updated list of the proxies, as noted above, was approved by the CD.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FROM THE CD MEETING IN BANGKOK (MARCH 29, 2015)

Prof. SCARANTINO recalled that the Minutes of the previous CD meeting in Bangkok were circulated among the members. Some minor changes were suggested, and subsequently added to the Minutes. The revised version of the Minutes was eventually posted on the FISP website, as customary; yet according to FISP rules, a formal approval from the CD is needed for the Minutes to become official.

No comments or objections being raised, the Minutes of the cd meeting held in Bangkok, Thailand, on March 29, 2015 were approved unanimously.

4. REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT

President MORAN presented his report in English, while a French version of it was simultaneously shown on the screen.

Ceci est mon troisième rapport annuel en tant que Président de la FISP. Je suis à présent à plus de la moitié de mon mandat, qui prendra fin à l'assemblée générale du congrès mondial de Pékin, en août 2018. Les trois dernières années sont passées très vite, bien qu'elles aient été très animées et chargées. Je n'aurais pu espérer meilleur soutien que celui que m'ont apporté le secrétaire général et nos trois vice-présidents. Je souhaite maintenant remercier nos hôtes, en particulier la vice-présidente de la FISP, la professeur Tanella BONI, ainsi que le professeur Séverin Yapo, pour leur hospitalité exceptionnelle ici à Abidjan. C'est une chance formidable d'avoir pu participer au Colloque sur la dignité humaine intitulé « Politiques de la Dignité » et d'être hébergé par la prestigieuse université Houphouët-Boigny d'Abidjan-Cocody. J'y ai énormément appris et je souhaite féliciter toutes celles et tous ceux qui ont contribué à cet événement très réussi.

1. Réunion du CD à Bangkok, Thaïlande, 26-30 mars 2015. Cela fait aujourd'hui plus d'un an que notre CD s'est réuni à Bangkok. En mars 2015, le comité directeur (CD) s'est retrouvé à Bangkok, en Thaïlande, et a discuté du contenu de la première circulaire pour le 24^e Congrès mondial de philosophie à Pékin. Une nouvelle fois, je désire exprimer notre gratitude à nos hôtes, la Fondation Maha Chakri Sirindhorn pour la faculté des humanités, le professeur Kanit Sirichan, directrice du département de philosophie à l'université Chulalongkorn, et tout particulièrement notre collègue et membre du CD, la professeur Suwanna Satha-Anand, pour avoir accueilli notre réunion du CD, de même qu'à la professeur Supakwadee Amatayakul, qui nous a aidé à résoudre maintes situations difficiles, surtout quand l'un des membres distingués de notre CD est tombé malade et a eu besoin d'être hospitalisé à Bangkok pour quelques jours.

Un moment particulièrement marquant de notre visite fut notre entretien avec Son Altesse Royale la Princesse Sirindhorn qui est la patronne de l'université Chulalongkorn et de la faculté des arts. Tout le pays célébrait son soixantième anniversaire et elle avait un emploi du temps extrêmement chargé: nous sommes donc particulièrement honorés qu'elle ait pris le temps de rencontrer notre délégation. Elle a conversé dans un chinois parfait avec le professeur TU Weiming, puisqu'elle a en effet à étudié à l'université de Pékin, et elle a également parlé aux professeurs Tanella BONI, Luca SCARANTINO et à moi-même. De nombreux membres du CD ont aussi participé au colloque « Les philosophies en dialogue : surmonter les grandes divisions philosophiques » (“Philosophies in Dialogue: Bridging the Great Philosophical Divides”) qui s'est tenu avant la réunion de notre CD, du 26 au 28 mars 2016, dans l'environnement beau et paisible de l'université Chulalongkorn. Nous avons été chaleureusement accueillis par le doyen de la faculté des humanités, le professeur Prapod Assavavirulhakarn, ainsi que par la professeur Kanit Sirichan, directrice du

département de philosophie. Je témoigne aussi toute ma reconnaissance aux étudiants et assistants de l'université Chulalongkorn qui ont été si aimables et accueillants avec nous lors de notre séjour. Lors de la réunion du CD, nous avons accordé un temps important à considérer l'invitation à accueillir notre réunion suivante au Brésil, qui nous avait été adressée par une lettre (datée du 16 mars 2015, très proche avant notre réunion) du professeur Joao Carlos Salles Pires da Silva, président de l'université fédérale de Bahia, à Salvador, Brésil. Nous étions évidemment déjà engagés à venir à Abidjan sur invitation de la professeur BONI. Après une longue discussion, il fut convenu d'accepter l'invitation du Brésil pour 2016, principalement, à l'origine, dans la mesure où nous anticipions l'offre du Brésil d'accueillir le 25e Congrès mondial de philosophie en 2023. Entretemps, des circonstances économiques se sont interposées et le Président de l'université du Brésil a dû nous écrire, malheureusement, pour annuler son invitation. Ce fut une déception mais, heureusement, la vice-présidente de la FISP, la professeur Tanella BONI, a volontairement renouvelé l'invitation d'accueillir la réunion du CD à la fin du colloque sur la dignité qu'elle avait prévu d'organiser à Abidjan en mai/juin 2016. De la part de la FISP, je veux remercier la professeur Tanella BONI d'avoir pu organiser notre accueil dans ce lieu en un temps relativement court. Merci beaucoup.

2. La conférence Fiat Lux, Rome, Italie, 3-6 juin 2015. En juin 2015, j'ai représenté la FISP à la conférence internationale Fiat Lux, tenue à l'université Sapienza et à l'Ateneo Pontificio Regina Apostolorum à Rome, dans le cadre de la célébration par l'UNESCO de l'année de la lumière (2015). Un certain nombre de membres du CD étaient parmi les organisateurs de cet événement, notamment les professeurs Lourdes Velasquez et Evandro Agazzi. L'événement était parrainé par la FISP, comme convenu lors de la réunion du CD à Bangkok. Le professeur Ricardo POZZO y a également donné une communication invitée. J'ai, moi même, parlé de la théologie et de la métaphysique de la lumière au Moyen-Âge. Un temps fort de notre séjour fut une visite privée du musée du Vatican et surtout de la Chapelle Sixtine.

3. Réunion du Comité du programme du 24^e Congrès mondial de philosophie, 4-6 septembre 2015. Le Comité du programme a tenu sa deuxième réunion et, après des discussions approfondies, a finalisé le texte de la première circulaire. Nous sommes non seulement tombés d'accord sur les titres des séances plénières, des symposia et des sections thématiques, mais nous avons de surcroît établi une liste des intervenants aux séances plénières et aux symposia, ainsi qu'une liste des présidentes et présidents des séances plénières comme des sections thématiques. La tâche a été difficile et je veux remercier les membres du Comité du programme, en particulier son président, le professeur Riccardo POZZO, son secrétaire général, le professeur Luca Maria SCARANTINO, ainsi que la secrétaire administrative, Emiliya Ivanova. Le professeur LiuZhe nous a proposé, au professeur SCARANTINO, au professeur POZZO et à moi-même, une visite des équipements et du campus de l'université de Pékin, le lundi qui a suivi la réunion de notre Comité du programme. Nous avons tous été très impressionnés par la très haute qualité des locaux et des installations, l'université étant dotée de nombreuses salles de réunion de différentes tailles, parmi lesquelles de grands amphithéâtres, tout cela au sein du beau campus de l'Université de Pékin, situé au bord du lac Weiming.

4. Cérémonie de remise des insignes de Docteur Honoris Causa, Université d'Athènes, septembre & octobre 2015. C'est avec plaisir que je vous informe que l'ancien président de la FISP, le professeur William McBride, et moi-même, actuel Président, avons reçu l'insigne de Docteur honoris causa par l'Université Nationale et l'université Kapodistrian d'Athènes lors de deux cérémonies distinctes en automne 2015.

5. Journée mondiale de la philosophie, UNESCO, Paris, France, 19 novembre 2015. J'ai correspondu avec le Dr. John Crowley de l'UNESCO au sujet de la journée mondiale de la philosophie, tenue à Paris le 19 novembre 2015. J'ai pu inclure un membre du CD dans le programme à la dernière minute et je remercie le professeur Didier Deleule d'avoir représenté la FISP lors de cette journée de la philosophie. John Crowley me fait savoir qu'en 2016 l'UNESCO organisera une série d'événements plus ambitieux, du 16

au 18 novembre 2016, dont une nuit entière de festivités à l'UNESCO, de 19 heures le vendredi 18 à 7 heures du matin le 19. M. Crowley m'a exprimé son espoir que la FISP soit associée à la journée mondiale de la philosophie de 2016 – une année très philosophique puisque l'UNESCO commémorera les anniversaires d'Aristote et de Leibniz. Je compte rester en lien avec M. Crowley afin d'aider à organiser cet événement. J'ai également l'intention d'y assister, maintenant que les dates ont été confirmées.

6. XXXI^e Assemblée générale, Conseil international de la philosophie et des sciences humaines (CIPSH), Université Renmin, Pékin, Chine, 8-12 décembre 2015. Le professeur Bill McBride, le professeur Luca Maria Scarantino et moi-même avons, tous les trois, assisté à l'assemblée générale du CIPSH, qui s'est déroulée au Friendship Hotel à Pékin les 8 et 9 décembre 2015, ainsi qu'à une conférence sur « Les routes de la soie » (10-12 décembre 2015). Le professeur MCBRIDE a été élu membre du Comité directeur du CIPSH. Le professeur Scarantino et moi-même avons représenté la FISP en tant que délégués. La question de la revue internationale *Diogenes* (éditions française, anglaise et chinoise) a été soulevée et ses difficultés (surtout le paiement des frais administratifs) ont été résolues de la façon la plus satisfaisante. Le projet proposé par le secrétaire générale du CIPSH Luiz Oosterbeek est que le CIPSH tienne une conférence majeure sur le futur des humanités à Liège, en Belgique, du 6 au 12 août 2017. Le CIPSH a été revigoré et la FISP a désormais repris à verser sa souscription annuelle. Lors de notre séjour à Pékin, j'ai également eu l'opportunité de m'entretenir avec le professeur TU Weiming, du CD, à l'occasion d'un déjeuner des plus agréables dans son appartement situé en surplomb du lac Weiming. J'ai également rencontré le professeur LiuZhe qui nous aide à l'organisation du 24^e Congrès mondial.

7. 24^e Olympiade internationale de philosophie (OIP), Gand, Belgique, 12-15 mai 2016. En dépit des attaques terroristes à l'aéroport et à la gare de Bruxelles, l'OIP de 2016 a été maintenue à Gand, en Belgique, en mai 2016, parrainée par l'université de Gand. L'événement était également soutenu par les départements de philosophie des universités d'Anvers (UA) et de Bruxelles (VUB), et par l'université de Liège. L'OIP a été accueillie par les professeurs Danny Praet, Pascal Vanhoecke et leur équipe à l'université de Gand. La cérémonie d'ouverture à la Mairie a été présidée par le maire de Gand. Trois membres du Bureau de la FISP y ont assisté : le secrétaire général, Luca Maria SCARANTINO, le trésorier p.i., Gerhard Seel, et moi-même. Tous les trois faisons aussi parti du jury (en plus du Dr Shinji Kajitani, de l'université de Tokyo, et du Dr Florina Otet, de Bucarest, Roumanie). Il y avait 90 étudiants en compétition, représentant 44 pays, et ce fut une expérience très intéressante. Le thème était la guerre et la paix et l'événement incluait également la visite de sites mémoriaux de la Première Guerre Mondiale. Un certain nombre de conférences ont eu lieu sur ce thème, dont une du capitaine Michaël Dewyn (École royale militaire de Bruxelles) sur « L'usage des drones armés et les transferts de risques : à la recherche de principes éthiques pour la zone grise entre guerre et paix dans la lutte contre le terrorisme ». Le professeur Gerhard Seel a également tenu une communication à l'université de Gand et le professeur Luca Maria SCARANTINO a prononcé la conférence de clôture, intitulée « Violence et dialogue interculturel: une réflexion philosophique » (“Violence and Intercultural Dialogue: A Philosophical Reflection”). Selon nos règles, la dissertation de l'OIP doit être rédigée dans l'une des langues suivantes : anglais, allemand, français ou espagnol ; elle ne doit en revanche pas être écrite dans la ou les langue(s) officielle(s) du pays de l'étudiant. La 25^e édition de l'OIP se tiendra à Rotterdam, aux Pays-Bas, en mai 2017. Il est prévu que l'événement de 2018 se tienne au Monténégro.

8. Congrès mondial Aristote 2400 Années, Université Aristote de Salonique, Ancienne Stageiera, Ancienne Mieza, Grèce, 23-28 mai 2016. En tant que Président de la FISP, j'ai été convié à être membre du comité scientifique du Congrès mondial Aristote à Salonique (<http://aristotleworldcongress2016.web.auth.gr>), en Grèce, du 23 au 28 mai 2016, organisé par la professeur emerita Demetra Sfendoni-Mentzou, du Centre interdisciplinaire d'études aristotéliennes de Salonique, et par le professeur Periklis Mitkas, recteur de l'Université Aristote de Salonique. Le congrès s'est déroulé sous les auspices du président de la République hellénique, M. Prokopios Pavlopoulos, et était parrainée par la FISP, comme convenu lors de la réunion du CD à Bangkok. En qualité de Président de la FISP, j'ai participé à la cérémonie d'ouverture, lundi 23 mai, et j'ai également donné une conférence invitée, intitulée « La



conception aristotélicienne de l'ousia dans la tradition chrétienne médiévale: quelques réflexions néo-platoniciennes». Ce fut un événement impressionnant et mémorable notamment grâce à la visite de la ville d'origine d'Aristote, Stagire, et celle de l'ancienne Mieza, le lieu où, selon la tradition antique, Aristote fut le précepteur d'Alexandre le Grand pendant trois ans. Ce fut une occasion exceptionnelle de revoir de si nombreux amis de la FISP, dont le professeur Evangelos Moutsopoulos (intervention par skype), la professeur emerita Myrto Dragona Monachou, le professeur Tomas Calvo, les professeurs Herta et Ludwig Nagl et tant d'autres.

9. Congrès mondial en philosophie, la philosophie d'Aristote, Athènes, Grèce, 10-15 juillet 2016. J'assisterai également (avec le professeur Gerhard Seel) au congrès mondial de la philosophie d'Aristote à Athènes, en juillet 2016 (<http://www.wcp2016.gr/en/circular-program/>), organisé par le professeur émérite Konstantinos Boudouris qui nous a hébergés lors du 23e Congrès Mondial de Philosophie à Athènes en 2013. Le professeur émérite Boudouris nous a demandé que l'événement soit parrainé par la FISP.

10. Réunion du Comité du programme, 24^e Congrès mondial, Université de Pékin, Pékin, Chine, 3-4 septembre 2016. La troisième réunion du Comité d'organisation du Congrès mondial aura lieu à l'université de Pékin en septembre prochain. Nos délibérations d'aujourd'hui portent sur la préparation de cette réunion.

11. Le comité de la FISP sur les questions de genre. J'ai le plaisir d'annoncer que la professeur Sigridur Thorgeitsdottir a convoqué la réunion inaugurale de ce comité sur les questions de genre à Bangkok en mars 2015. Le nombre de membres et le cahier des charges de ce comité ont désormais été établis. Une conférence parrainée par le Comité sur les questions de genre a été acceptée en principe, mais son financement n'est pas encore assuré.

12. Site internet de la FISP. Au cours de 2015 et de 2016, diverses améliorations ont été apportées au site internet de la FISP. Je veux témoigner mes remerciements au précédent Président, William McBride, pour avoir facilité la construction et l'entretien du site internet de la FISP.

13. Le trésorier par intérim de la FISP. Comme vous le savez, le trésorier de la FISP, Guido Küng, souffre de problèmes de santé qui l'ont forcé à quitter sa fonction de trésorier cette année. Je veux lui témoigner ma gratitude la plus sincère pour le travail diligent et remarquable qu'il a effectué en tant que trésorier pendant de nombreuses années. Je lui souhaite également un prompt rétablissement et une « retraite » heureuse de ses responsabilités à la FISP. Je remercie aussi le professeur Gerhard Seel d'avoir accepté d'assurer le rôle de trésorier par intérim en attendant que le nouveau trésorier soit nommé lors de cette réunion. Remerciements au bureau et aux membres du CD. Enfin, je veux remercier tous les membres du CD pour leurs activités au sein et au nom de la FISP pendant l'année passée. Je remercie tout particulièrement le bureau de la FISP, le précédent président et les trois vice-présidents que j'ai régulièrement consultés au sujet des activités de la FISP et dont j'ai été ravi de recevoir les conseils avisés. De nouveau, je souhaite remercier le secrétaire général Luca Maria Scarantino et la secrétaire administrative, Emiliya Ivanova, pour leur travail de préparation du compte-rendu, de l'ordre du jour, et autres documents officiels de la réunion du CD.

Sincères amitiés,
Prof. Dermot MORAN,
Président de la FISP,
30 mai 2016

The report of the President was followed by a short discussion.

Prof. BILETZKI expressed her gratitude to Prof. Tanella BONI for having invited the CD to Abidjan. She expressed her satisfaction for this final decision made by the CD. Prof. MCBRIDE explained why he had been against the meeting in Brazil, and recalled that, in his view, there were no votes on the subject. Prof. KUKOC voiced some



disappointment for the Brazilian decision to invite the CD and subsequently to reconsider their invitation. He recalled that two CD meetings took place in Croatia despite equal financial difficulties.

President MORAN recalled that the acceptance of the invitation to Brazil had been dependent on the engagement of the University in Salvador regarding the conditions of a possible CD meeting in Brazil. He explained that it was an outcome of the meeting in Bangkok; and he agreed with Prof. KUKOC about the disappointment created by the cancellation of that invitation. He underlined that this affair was independent from the possibility, mentioned by Prof. Chateaubriand, to host the next WCP in Brazil; and recalled that this potential bid would differ from the one proposed in Athens by Prof. Béziau to host the WCP in 2018.

The Secretary-general commented that a recent correspondence with Prof. Chateaubriand showed a dark scenario for a possible bid from Brazil. Having been authorized by Prof. Chateaubriand, he read a letter where the latter pictured the growing financial and institutional crisis of the country, explained with many regrets why even the invitation to the CD could not be maintained, and expressed deep concerns about a possible bid to hold the WCP 2023 in Brazil.

Prof. MORAN proposed to deal with the commitments involved in hosting a CD meeting at a later stage. He expressed his appreciation for those colleagues and institutions who could invite the CD, given the level of resources involved; and suggested that our Brazilian colleagues might not have properly measured the required level of commitment. “We are happy to be in Abidjan”, he concluded.

On a different topic, Prof. AAVANI indicated that over the last 4 years he had been invited to teach at Peking University in China and that he has closely observed the development of the next WCP. Prof. MORAN recalled that Prof. AAVANI attended the last meeting of the Programme Committee (2015) in Beijing, and provided very helpful advice about the inclusion of Islamic philosophy in the program.

The meeting continued with the report of the Secretary-general.

5. REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL.

Dear Colleagues,

The months that followed our last meeting in Bangkok have been full of activities. I will try to summarize them here, and to sketch some lines of development that might have some implications for our Federation.

Before anything else, though, let me pay a warm tribute to Professor Guido Kueng, Treasurer of FISP for 33 years. As you know, earlier this year he announced his retirement for health reasons. Guido’s contribution to the life of the Federation went far beyond the mere management of our finances, which is in itself a heavy task; he was systematically consulted each time a delicate question was at stake. His prudent and thoughtful advice has greatly contributed to the smooth work of FISP in the last decades. Guido deserves our deepest gratitude and appreciation.

1. Meeting of the Steering Committee. Gratitude must also be extended to our hosts here in Abidjan, and particularly to our colleague and CD member Professor Tanella Boni; to the Head of the Department of Philosophy, Prof. Thierry Ézoua; and to Professor Bakayoko Ly-Ramata, former President of the Houphouët-Boigny University and now Minister of Higher Education and Research. I will not recall here the woeful stages we had to go through before reaching a final decision to come here. I would rather see them as an expression of the growing trouble of our world, where traveling is becoming more and more difficult, expensive, and dangerous. It is not fully surprising to me that all inconveniences were finally overcome thanks to the human generosity of all parties involved, starting with our colleagues in Abidjan. I should recall that two main reasons motivated the original choice of Abidjan, made two years ago in Beijing: to help the reconstruction of the Ivorian philosophical community, which is an institutional mission of Fisp,



and to encourage the presence of philosophers and scholars from across the African continent in the World Congress. We all witnessed how successful the Conference on Politics of Dignity was. It is time to acknowledge that it was a good decision to come to Abidjan, to take part in the Conference, and to hold our CD meeting here.

2. Next CD meeting. The option of holding our CD meeting in Brazil, briefly considered in the months that followed our meeting in Bangkok, was voided by another economic and institutional crisis. This abrupt turn of events, a side effect of the political turmoil Brazil is still undergoing, deeply affected our Latin American colleagues. I am pleased to inform you that an invitation to meet in Buenos Aires, Argentina, has been extended for March 2017 by our colleague and CD member Professor César Lorenzano. The invitation is included in the working documents of this meeting; let me add that, according to the information provided by our local colleagues, the meeting in Buenos Aires would take place in the immediate temporal vicinity of the Bariloche Symposium, an international scholarly meeting that will take place in the Patagonian lakes region, about 1,800 km south of Buenos Aires. The tentative dates proposed by Professor Lorenzano are intended to make it possible for us to attend both Conferences.

3. World Congress 2018. President Moran, who has the constitutional role of supervising the entire process, has provided you with an overall picture of the ongoing preparation of the World Congress. My duty now is to briefly add a few additional considerations, and to voice some concerns.

The proposals made by the Programme Committee for the various speakers and chairs of thematic sections show a satisfactory involvement of the Chinese philosophical community at large. I believe we should congratulate our Chinese colleagues for it.

On June 2, we have also received a “Report for the CD of Fisp” from Prof. Liu Zhe, who is involved in the organization of the meeting. The progress it describes may be seen as satisfactory; I should note, though, that the report is not on stationery; that it is neither authored nor signed; that it contains no reference to the CD meeting; that the financial report is incomplete; that it provides limited information about the committees involved in the organization; and that next steps are announced for “the next two years”. Along with the absence of any representative of the Chinese Organizing Committee, I find some reasons of concern. The report also mentions the elegant website of the Congress; for sure the website is beautiful; yet, its interactive functionalities are still not operational, and it is not possible, at this time of the year, to proceed with online payment of fees. I apologize for sharing these concerns with you: I hope you will consider them as the expression of a genuine concern for the success of the Congress, which is our common endeavor.

4. Endowed Lectures. Some worries were also voiced by our colleague and Honorary President, Professor Peter Kemp, about the increased number of Endowed Lectures in the Programme.

Endowed Lectures were first introduced as a tribute to three major scholars from the three main monotheistic religions: Islam, Judaism, and Christianity. It may be assumed that this choice, made many years ago when none of us was yet involved in FISP, reflected the intention of the philosophical community to contribute to a cross-cultural and inter-religious dialogue.

A fourth lecture, the East-West lecture, was added after the Seoul Congress upon proposal of the Korean Philosophical Community: it has now been proposed that the title of this lecture be renamed after the great Korean scholar Dasan. Last year, the Chinese Organizing Committee proposed to start a new Endowed Lecture in Beijing, named after Wang Yangming (15th-16th c. AD); and a Lecture on Gender, tentatively named after Simone de Beauvoir, was recently by the CD approved upon proposal of our Committee on Gender. Altogether, we would thus have six Endowed Lectures in Beijing.

My understanding is that this diversity of Lectures would reflect an increased awareness of the cultural diversity of the world, and its growing impact on the philosophical communities worldwide. I agree with Professor Kemp, though, that this proliferation of Endowed Lectures does not come without possible logistic and financial problems; and that their nature as exceptional events might be undermined by their rapid increase. My own feeling is that we should imagine the best ways to preserve their diversity and find



for them an appropriate space in the programme of the Congress; at the same time, we should probably not indefinitely multiply their number in the near future.

I should finally add that Endowed Lectures are not funded by FISP, and that the academies, research centres, and associations that propose them are also in charge of their regular endowment. Only the Maimonides Lecture is funded by Fisp, and it remains an exception.

5. Next WCPs. The Congress will take place in two years. That is also when we shall make a decision about the WCP 2023. In the past months, I have received some informal expressions of interest from various colleagues across the world. It is time to report to you about them, although still on a very preliminary basis.

So far, we have no firm bid. Our colleague Professor Oswaldo Chateaubriand has shown a steady intellectual desire to increase the interest of the Brazilian philosophical community to invite the Congress to Brazil. The unfortunate situation of the country, and the significant reduction in academic funding, have somehow hindered this intention; their failure to invite the CD is probably a symptom of this difficulty. On the other hand, we cannot exclude that the same group that proposed the nomination of Brazil last time would submit a bid again. I have no evidence of such intention: yet, we should probably keep it in mind.

Our colleague and CD member Professor Ken-ichi Sasaki has requested technical and financial information on behalf of other colleagues in Japan; I understand that they are currently considering whether they should take further steps. This might as well refer to the next Congress as to the WCP 2028. I am obviously providing all necessary assistance, e.g. with technical information and preliminary cost estimations.

The Australasian Association of Philosophy is considering bidding for a Congress in Melbourne, Australia. They are gathering all relevant data and information through the Melbourne Convention Bureau, particularly as to procedures, modalities, and duties involved in a bid; the executive officer of the AAP, Prof. Eliza Goddard, underlined in one message she wrote to me that one reason of interest for them is that 2023 coincides with the 100-year anniversary of their Association.

Such is the *status quaestionis* as of today. We cannot exclude that other proposals would come up in the future, as it happened with the Greek bid in Seoul, or the Brazilian bid in Athens. So far, though, I have no evidence of any further candidates.

6. Activities of the past year. Let me now get to my official duty of listing the activities I have attended in the last 12 months on behalf of FISP. In June of last year, I attended the Congress of the International Society for Values Inquiry, hosted by Beijing Normal University; my keynote speech was titled *The Poliphony of Cultures*. ISVI is one of FISP international members; it was very active during the preparation of the last World Congress in Athens; and it has expressed equal interest in attending the Congress in Beijing.

Immediately after the meeting of the Programme Committee in September, Professors Tu, Pozzo, Kemp, Hashimoto, Kuçuradi, and myself attended the Songshan Forum, an annual intellectual meeting organized in Dengfeng under the scholarly supervision of Professor Tu. The time was ripe to discuss with Chinese colleagues the modalities of their participation in the World Congress. I hope we will have another chance of attending the Forum this year.

In October, the Russian philosophical congress invited me to attend their meeting in Ufa, the capital city of the Russian Republic of Bashkortostan. That is when I was informed that the Institute of Philosophy of the Russian Academy of Sciences was eventually relocated into new, satisfactory venues in Moscow. I was also acquainted with the ongoing project of a Eurasian Philosophical Congress, initiated by our Russian and Belorussian colleagues, and scheduled for 2017. Professor Kuçuradi also attended the Congress; it was a pleasant surprise for both of us to discover that Professor Isenbike Togan, a member of CIPSH Board, was in Ufa during the same day, to attend a commemorative conference of her father, Zeki Velidi Togan.

In Ufa, I discussed possible forms of partnership with the International Ontology Congress, regularly organized in San Sebastian by Professor Víctor Gómez Pin. Prof. Gómez Pin proposed to devote a special session of the Congress to the topic “Learning to Be Human”, as a way to establish a bridge with the



World Congress. Eventually, Professor Moran and myself were invited to the Congress; I understand that other members of our Committee will be there.

In November and December of last year, I spent a six-weeks term as Visiting Professor at the Institute for Advanced Humanistic Studies at Peking University. For a fortunate coincidence, we shared the same office with Professor Aavani, by then visiting the same institution. During my stay, we regularly meet with our Chinese colleagues involved in the Congress; I gathered their concerns and wishes; and I tried to contribute to a smooth advancement of the preparation.

In December, Dermot Moran, Bill McBride and myself attended the General Assembly of Cipsh in Beijing. The work schedule of Cipsh includes an International Conference on the Humanities, to be held in Liege in 2017; the editorial Board of *Diogenes* was strengthened – it now includes the President of Fisp, Dermot Moran – and we are about to reshape and renew the Advisory Board of the journal. All decisions were made in a fully consensual way, which is auspicious for the future of the journal. From an editorial point of view, *Diogenes* is in very good health; the number of downloads is increasing, and the scholarly network of the journal is growing as well.

A few weeks ago, on May 12-15 2016, Dermot Moran, Gerhard Seel, and I attended the annual edition of the International Philosophy Olympiad in Gent, Belgium. Despite the heavy security apparatus deployed across the country, or perhaps thanks to that reinforced security, the meeting took place in excellent conditions and in a convivial atmosphere. The organizers, Danny Praet and Pascal Vanhoecke, both from Gent University, helped the jury work in smooth conditions. We agreed that the final set of essays were of outstanding quality; unusually enough, in view of previous experiences, virtually all of them deserved a medal. Three gold medals were eventually assigned, respectively to two Korean and a Turkish student; for the first time ever, two gold medalists came from a same country. Both Korean students wrote on gender-related issues, while the Turkish student extensively commented on a quotation from Aristotle. We also assigned four silver medals, and six bronze medals. The full list of results was posted on the website of the IPO, where it can be consulted.

7. New members. We have received six membership applications. I take these requests as signs of the durable attraction that FISP exerts across the philosophical communities of the world. We should not ignore, though, that several of our member societies are suffering from difficulties of academic, financial, and in some cases political nature. In this very region, for instance, the Philosophical Society of Senegal seems to be in stand by, despite the considerable size and cultural weight of the local philosophical community and the assistance Fisp provided to establish this society.

Final considerations. When we look at FISP main activities, we immediately focus on the World Congress, and rightly so. For its importance, magnitude, and scholarly impact, the Congress represents a major assignment. Yet, we should also look at our network of societies and institutes in terms of opportunities to develop, support or initiate international scholarly projects of particular urgency and interest; to enhance the cross-cultural vocation of Fisp through some content-based activities; to push forward the proposal of a Prize in philosophy originally proposed by our colleague Marcelo Dascal; and possibly to supplement our current activities with similar forms of scholarly activities. Consultative Committees may play a significant role to this effect; may I recall, for instance, the series of reports on philosophical activities in many countries across the world collected by the Committee for International Cooperation in the last years. The fact that these committees are increasingly expanding their membership beyond the CD constituency may undoubtedly benefit their work.

Finally, I would like to join our President in thanking once again our colleagues and hosts from Ivory Coast. Merci à Thierry Ézoua, Directeur du Département de Philosophie de l'Université Houphouët-Boigny; merci à Séverin Yapo, qui a grandement aidé à l'organisation de cette rencontre. Surtout, merci à Tanella Boni pour son invitation, son engagement, sa patience et sa compréhension face aux atermoiements de la Fisp. Merci.



President MORAN congratulated the Secretary-general for the considerable work he is carrying out. He expressed his feelings that the time Prof. Scarantino spent in Beijing had been very useful. “Closer contacts had been made with Prof. Tu Weiming and the Chinese Organising Committee”, he said. He observed that the official website of the Congress was finally established; the local team was now awaiting the Government’s permission to publish it and make it run.

[The report of the Secretary-general was unanimously approved by the CD.](#)

6. REPORT OF THE TREASURER AND ELECTION OF THE NEW TREASURER.

The President of FISP, Prof. Dermot MORAN, explained that Professor Guido Kueng, who served as Treasurer of FISP for over 30 years, had to resign for urgent health reasons. He reminded the Steering Committee that the Bureau had appointed Professor Gerhard Seel as acting Treasurer since January 2016; and he pointed out that the Committee was now to approve the final report of Professor Kueng, approve his resignation, and appoint a new Treasurer.

Following Professor Moran’s indications, the Secretary-general, Prof. Luca Maria SCARANTINO, presented the report of the outgoing Treasurer, Prof. Kueng. He emphasized that Prof. Kueng’s report had been checked and validated by the auditor of the financial statements of FISP, Professor Daniel Schulthess, whose report was attached. Finally, he detailed the various items of Professor Kueng’s report. These documents are attached to the present minutes.

Following his report, Professor Moran invited comments from the Steering Committee. No observation being made, he solicited the approval of the Treasurer’s report.

[The Treasurer’s report was adopted unanimously; the Steering Committee also approved Professor Schulthess’ report. The Steering Committee approved the resignation of Professor Kueng.](#)

The President then proposed to elect Professor Gerhard Seel as the new Treasurer of FISP. Professor SCARANTINO seconded his proposal; the Steering Committee approved.

[As a result, Professor Gerhard Seel was unanimously appointed as the new Treasurer of Fisp.](#)

President MORAN spent some words to comment on this election. He underlined what a great loss Prof. Kueng’s decision to resign had been for FISP. He offered his heartfelt thanks to Prof. Kueng for his 33 years of service as Treasurer of FISP, and stressed his extraordinary dedication and commitment. “He is the most efficient person I have ever seen”, said Prof. MORAN.

He also remarked that the financial situation of FISP is better than it looks. Many societies could not pay their annual dues in 2016 yet as the usual reminder was not sent out due to the transition in the Treasurership. He also underlined that the meeting in Bangkok had been particularly expensive in terms of travel subsidies, and that this trend was likely to be confirmed in the future. Universities, he explained, are reducing their travel funds everywhere, and our colleagues have increasingly less opportunities to fund their own trips.

The Secretary-general added that, prior to the withdrawal of the invitation to Brazil, two CD members had bought their tickets to Salvador. He explained that in one case (Prof. Rendtorff) it was possible to negotiate a visiting professorship at the University of Salvador for the dates originally defined for the CD meeting; in another case (Prof. Kukoc), the ticket was fully refunded by FISP.

7. DECISIONS ABOUT THE WCP 2018.

The chairman of the Programme Committee, Prof. POZZO, presented the list of nominations for chairs and speakers for plenaries, symposia and endowed lectures as decided in the last meeting of Committee in September 2015.



The Secretary-general remarked that this work had been circulated to the CD, and that he had received some additional suggestions. Working documents sent to the CD on the eve of the meeting in Abidjan included such additions; he also explained that the original list of nominations included very few speakers from Latin America, and expressed the wish that the CD would enhance the visibility of Latin American scholarship. This suggestion was supported by Prof. KALTENBACHER.

Prof. KUKOC recalled that 2018 will be the bicentenary of Karl Marx's birth, and suggested to have a special lecture on Marx's philosophy. He explained that in Communist countries his thought was mainly treated from an ideological standpoint, and expressed the wish to have it reconsidered through a more comprehensive scholarly assessment; he added that Marxist philosophy is dominant in China. He suggested to have such a lecture delivered by Prof. MCBRIDE, a former President of FISP and an eminent specialist in Marxist philosophy, who in his view could lecture on Marx's philosophy from a scholarly objective point of view. He suggested to label this special lecture as "Karl Marx's philosophy today".

This proposal for a special session on Marx's philosophy was supported by Prof. POZZO. The Secretary-general commented that Chinese philosophers are most likely to appreciate the idea; given the importance of Marxist philosophy for Chinese scholarly and intellectual order, he advised to arrange such a special session in concert with them; and he suggested to check whether the Chinese organizing committee would wish to nominate additional panelists for this session. He underlined the delicacy of the topic, and the need to proceed in close consultation with the local hosts. Prof. KUKOC insisted on the importance of presenting Marx's philosophy at the WCP not from a political, but from a scientific point of view and underlined the necessity of avoiding ideological interpretations of it.

The CD agreed on having a special event on Marx's philosophy at the WCP 2018. The discussion about the format led to the decision to include it in the programme of the Congress as a special session, rather than as an Endowed Lecture. Following a suggestion made by the President and the Secretary-general, it was agreed to consult the Chinese organizing committee, and the Chinese members of the Programme and Executive committees, about the format of this session, and to integrate it correspondingly.

With this clause, the CD decided to include a special session on Marx's philosophy, entitled "Bicentenary of Marx", in the programme of the WCP 2018, and nominated Prof. W. MCBRIDE as speaker.

NB. Following a later discussion with the Chinese organizing committee and the Chinese members of the programme Committee, the proposed format for this session was defined as follows:

BICENTENARY MARX LECTURE

Chair - to be nominated by the COC

Speaker - Prof. William L McBride

7.1. Choice of speakers for Plenaries, Symposia and Endowed Lectures.

At the beginning of the discussion on the programme of the WCP, Honorary President KEMP submitted to the CD a list of additional nominations for plenary sessions and symposia. He explained that in his view plenary and symposia speakers should be eminent specialists in the field, representative of different geographical regions, and able to attract equally prominent scholars to the WCP. He observed that the proposals of the PC for plenary and symposia speakers included names that are not sufficiently known, and urged the CD to take these additional names into consideration.

President MORAN observed that some of the names listed by Prof. Kemp were already included in the programme proposed by the PC. He explained that the draft programme proposed by the PC was based on the following main criteria: diversity of theoretical approaches, disciplinary balance, geographical balance, and gender balance.



A long and at times tense discussion concerning the nominations for chairs and speakers for each of the plenary sessions and symposia followed. This discussion took a large part of the first day of the meeting, and was organized according to the following scheme: first the plenary sessions were discussed, then the symposia, and finally the Endowed lectures. Many possible scholars from all philosophical disciplines and areas were nominated in order to reach a fair balance of the various requisites solicited from within the CD; and particular care was devoted to take into account the nominations made by the Chinese members of the PC.

Particular concerns were voiced about the plenary sessions on Nature, Spirituality, and Traditions. Prof. AAVANI remarked that the subject of Nature should be represented from a metaphysical point of view; he also underlined that different concepts of nature, such as the Chinese one, should also have a place. Prof. SCARANTINO observed that Nature is a relevant topic for analytic philosophy, and suggested that analytic philosophers should be considered for this session; he recalled that early concerns about the compatibility of analytic philosophy with the general theme of the Congress were voiced since the CD meeting in Beijing, and argued in favor of an appropriate inclusion of analytic philosophy in the programme.

Prof. AAVANI urged the CD to consider Spirituality not only from a Western perspective but also from an Eastern one; he underlined that a plurality of spiritual and religious traditions should be represented in this plenary session; and mentioned, in particular, China, India, and the Islamic civilisation. Prof. MOGOBE, for his part, emphasized that the African vision of spirituality should also be taken into account, both in itself and in its relations to Christianity. Prof. MORAN agreed with these suggestions and added, to these traditions, those of Japan and Russia.

The session on Traditions generated a long debate. It mainly focused on the claim that this session should not reflect the controversies between different traditions, let alone a “clash of civilisations”, but rather bring to light their possible mutual enrichments.

[As a result, a general agreement was reached as for the list of chair and speakers of the plenary sessions.](#)

Debates on the symposia were subject to similar criteria: to nominate eminent scholars as invited speakers, to provide a fair gender and geographical balance, to consider the attractiveness of panelists for the various scholarly communities around the world, and to respect the proposals coming from the Chinese members of the Programme Committee.

Particular remarks were made regarding each of the symposia. Prof. BONI and Prof. RAMOSE underlined the necessity of including an African perspective in the symposium “Ren, Ubuntu, Love and the Heart”. Prof. AAVANI emphasized the importance of love and heart in the Islamic tradition, and suggested to reflect this tradition in the composition of the panel. He equally suggested to have a Chinese panelist in the symposium “Human, non-human, post-human” as Confucianism is a crucial approach to the human. He stressed that panelists from non-Western traditions should be included in the symposium on “Reason, Wisdom and the Good Life”, to reflect the history of reason from different perspectives, and in the symposium “Creativity, Symbol, and Aesthetic sense” as the Islamic tradition developed a special vision of divine beauty.

No changes were made to the symposium “Difference, Diversity, Commonality”. The Secretary-general explained that this symposium is organised by the Chinese organizing committee”, and moved to approve its composition as suggested by the local organizers.

Part of the discussion also focused on the possibility for Honorary Presidents to chair a symposium or a plenary session. This debate was raised by Prof. KEMP, and concluded that there is no specific impediment for Honorary Presidents to chair a session.

[The debates resulted in a general agreement on the list of chair and speakers of the symposia.](#)



The proposals for Endowed lectures were presented by the Secretary-general. Altogether, the CD approved them with little discussion, provided the nominations came from the scholarly entities in charge of each of them. Some particular remarks were nonetheless formulated concerning particular topics.

The CD endorsed the proposals made by the Korean Philosophical Society and the Chinese Organizing Committee, respectively, to rename the East-West lecture as Dasan lecture and the originally suggested Confucius lecture as Wang Yangming lecture. Arguing in favor of supporting these requests, Prof. SCARANTINO briefly identified the philosophers Dasan and Wang Yangming, along with their impact on philosophy.

The CD approved renaming the East-West lecture as the Dasan lecture and the Confucius lecture as the Wang Yangming lecture.

On the contrary, the Simone de Beauvoir lecture, proposed by the Committee on Gender, provoked quite a long discussion. Prof. KEMP argued that the endowed lectures should be dedicated to classic thinkers; he therefore suggested entitling this lecture as the Hildegard of Bingen lecture. In his view, Simone de Beauvoir does not have a relevant philosophical production: her work defines her more as a militant than as an original thinker. Hildegard of Bingen, in contrast, would attract many philosophers writing on women's rights. Prof. KUKOC proposed to dedicate the lecture to Hannah Arendt – an eminent woman philosopher, who had a significant impact on the philosophy of the 20th century. Prof. THORGEIRSDÓTTIR argued, on the contrary, that the lecture should be dedicated to a philosopher who played a significant role in feminine and gender studies, and not just to a woman philosopher; that Simone de Beauvoir indisputably played such a role; and that she is largely recognized as a classic of feminist philosophy, even if on a temporal scale she might be seen as a contemporary philosopher.

In the passionate discussion that followed, different arguments were given in support of one or another of these proposals. At the end, Prof. MORAN decided to take a formal vote on the topic.

As a result, the CD approved by majority the endowed lecture proposed by the Committee on Gender under the title “Simone de Beauvoir”.

NB. In order to gather all relevant information and data, and following the instructions of the CD, the choice of the speaker for the Maimonides Lecture was finalized in October 2016, through online consultation of the CD. Given the agreement gathered from Steering Committee members, Professor Ernie Sosa accepted to deliver the Maimonides Endowed lecture.

7.2. Chairs of the thematic sections of the Congress

The President, Prof. MORAN presented to the CD the list of the chairs of thematic sections suggested by the PC. He explained that for every one of the 99 sections there is at least one Chinese co-chair, as was the case in Athens with Greek co-chairs, due to the high number of papers expected to be submitted in Chinese.

New suggestions were made by CD members regarding chairs for the sections “Jewish philosophy”, “Political philosophy”, “Philosophy of gender”, “Philosophy of globalisation”, “Marxist philosophy”. Prof. Moran invited CD members to send further nominations for chairs of the remaining thematic sections to the Secretary-general by e-mail. This suggestion was approved by the CD.

The list of all approved speakers for Plenary sessions, symposia, and Endowed Lectures, as well as the list of chairs of the thematic sections were posted on the website of the Congress, at the address <http://wcp2018.pku.edu.cn>.

7.3. Relations with the Chinese Organising Committee and ongoing preparation process.

Moving to the next point of the agenda, the Secretary-general acquainted the CD with a report of the Chinese Organising Committee that he had received two days before. The report, divided into four parts, listed some institutions involved in the organisation of the Congress and addressed the work done by the Chinese Organising



Committee in respect of its preparation. It contained information about the financial status of the WCP process, proposals for venues, and data about the wider scholarly community engaged in it. Prof. SCARANTINO underlined that this document lacked sufficiently concrete information about the ongoing process of organisation of the Congress, that little information was provided about the academic committees of the Congress, and that it could hardly be considered as an official document since it carried no signature nor stationery.

President MORAN observed that even though the website is not entirely operational and that there are many other details on it to be arranged, the work on the organisation of the WCP is progressing at a good pace. He expressed his hope that the meeting of the PC scheduled for September 2016 would help accelerate the process of the organisation of the Congress and resolve the currently existing difficulties.

Prof. POZZO provided some information on the facilities of the WCP. He praised the venues where the WCP would take place, and emphasized that the rooms planned for plenaries, symposia, and opening session are spacious enough. He mentioned accommodation would be provided both on campus or in nearby hotels; and underlined that participants could use other on-campus or nearby facilities, such as for food. He concluded that all participants will have very well organised facilities in every respect.

After a brief discussion, the Secretary-general informed the CD of his intention to request a new version of the report provided by the Chinese organizers, possibly with an official and accountable signature. This report was received shortly after the CD meeting, and is annexed to these minutes.

7.4. Composition of the Executive Committee.

The Secretary-general informed the CD members about the functions and composition of the Executive Committee. “After the last meeting of the PC, this committee is replaced by the Executive Committee, which is in charge of all sorts of last minute preparations and has rights even to decide, if necessary, about last minute changes in the programme of the WCP”, he indicated.

He explained that the Executive Committee is usually composed of 5 persons – 3 from FISP and 2 from the Chinese Organising Committee. In principle, the representatives of FISP on this Committee are the President of FISP, the Secretary-general and the Chair of the Programme Committee. The two other members are proposed by the Chinese Organising Committee, the Secretary-general noted.

President MORAN moved to nominate the Executive Committee according to this pattern. He proposed that the chairpersonship of the Executive Committee be left to the decision of the Committee itself, to be taken as soon as the Chinese members of it would be known.

The CD approved the composition of the Executive Committee as proposed by the President and Secretary-general. The appointment of its Chair was left to the decision of the Committee itself, to be taken once the Chinese members of it would be designated.

NB. In September 2016, following the last meeting of the Programme Committee, the composition of the Executive Committee was completed as follows:

Dermot Moran; Riccardo Pozzo; Wang Bo; Xie Dikun; Luca Maria Scarantino, *Chair*.

8. MEMBERSHIP APPLICATIONS

The Secretary-general presented the new applications for membership to the CD.

8.1. Philosophical Congress of Kazakhstan

Prof. SCARANTINO explained that this application was the result of a meeting with Prof. Sergey Kolchigin, a member of the Board of the PCK, that took place during the last Russian Philosophical Congress in Ufa. He argued in favor of this application, presented its file, and explained that it fulfilled all criteria of acceptance.



Prof. AAVANI strongly supported the application of the Philosophical Congress of Kazakhstan. “We have held two Congresses with them with Iranian philosophers”, he noted.

The President, Prof. MORAN, proposed that the CD accept the society.

[The CD admitted the Philosophical Congress of Kazakhstan as a full member of FISP.](#)

8.2. Kosovo Philosophical Association

Introducing the Kosovo Philosophical Association, Prof. SCARANTINO recalled that the KPA had already submitted an application in 2015. At that time, the CD agreed in principle about their admission, but the 2-years rule was not fulfilled by then. Upon proposal by Prof. SCHRADER, the CD had decided to postpone the case until 2016 in order to respect this rule. Now that two years have passed since the creation of the society, the Secretary-general proposed to admit the KPA as a new member of FISP. All relevant documentation had been received, including the application form, the statutes, the activities, and the list of members.

Prof. KUKOC provided additional information about the society: when it was created, who are its President and its members, what activities they implement. He explained that, after the decision of FISP for postponing their application, the society accepted to wait one more year and sent a new application this year. On the basis of all this, he strongly recommended the acceptance of the Kosovo Philosophical Association as a member of FISP.

[The CD admitted the Kosovo Philosophical Association as a full member of FISP.](#)

8.3. Philosophical Society of Montenegro

Beginning the presentation of the Philosophical Society of Montenegro, Prof. SCARANTINO observed that FISP received two applications from the Balkans – Kosovo and Montenegro. He explained that the PSM is an association of teachers of philosophy in Montenegro; that they participate in the IPO, and that FISP includes several associations of this type among its members. He noted that the PSM fulfils the two-years rule, but not the requirements for the number of members. However, he recalled that this latter rule is often waived by CD to include smaller groups of philosophers, and proposed to admit the PSM as a new member of FISP.

Prof. KUKOC also supported this application. He explained that this is a qualified association of high school teachers of philosophy; given the small size of their country, Montenegro, they cannot have a large number of members; and he argued in favor of their acceptance as a member of FISP.

[The CD admitted the Montenegro Philosophical Society as a full member of FISP.](#)

8.4. Philosophical Society of Luxembourg

The Secretary-general explained that a philosophical society from Luxembourg had been a member of FISP for many years. Following the passing of their president, they seem no longer active. The society that is currently applying is of a slightly different nature, as it mainly gathers philosophy teachers. They are in charge of the IPO in Luxembourg, and are not directly associated with a higher academic institution.

Prof. SCARANTINO suggested that, if admitted, the PSL could help FISP restore a presence in Luxembourg; he also remarked that they do not meet the requirement about the number of members, as in the case of Montenegro. He nonetheless suggested to admit them provided the small size of their country of origin.

A brief discussion followed. Prof. AAVANI inquired about philosophical publications of this society; the Secretary-general explained that, according to their application, they carry out various activities of philosophical and educational nature, but do not directly produce publications. Prof. MORAN recommended that contact be made with the Luxembourg Philosophical Society suggesting that they include more members. Prof. KEMP remarked that this society could be transformed into an international one, arguing that in this case the rules for numbers of members are different. Prof. MORAN agreed to this.



Prof. THORGEIRSDÓTTIR asked whether the society of high school teachers has some relations with universities or with institutions of university status. Prof. SCARANTINO explained that the society is likely to be in touch with local university professors, but does not have academics among its members. Prof. KUKOC suggested to accept the society with some recommendations. He argued that admitting them might be beneficial for other scholars in the Grand Duchy. Prof. MORAN supported this proposal. Prof. POZZO, on the contrary, voiced some objection to this position; he argued that this society should gain a wider international scope before applying; and he suggested advising them to re-submit the application after responding to all criteria of membership.

Prof. MCBRIDE agreed with Prof. KUKOC: “We had a society in Luxembourg which did not pay for many years and which did not answer our messages”, he said. Prof. MORAN repeated that there are no rules against having more than one national society from a same country, and proposed to accept it.

The CD admitted the Philosophical Society of Luxembourg as a full member of FISP, and mandated the Secretary-general to advise the PSL to enhance its international scope and involve scholars at the academic level.

8.5. Red Española de Filosofía

Prof. SCARANTINO explained that the last two applications were explicitly endorsed by the Spanish member of FISP, Prof. Tomás Calvo. The REF represents a large network of philosophical groups in Spain; it is a typical national philosophical society, and very representative of Spanish scholarship in philosophy. He recommended the acceptance of the society. Prof. MORAN indicated, for his part, that he had recently met with Prof. Tomás Calvo who had strongly supported this society.

The CD admitted the Red Filosófica Española as a full member of FISP.

8.6. Sociedad Ibérica de Filosofía Griega (SIFG) (Iberian society for Greek Philosophy)

The Secretary-general explained that this is an Iberian society, gathering Spanish and Portuguese members. Prof. Calvo is a member of its Board. Altogether, the SIFG is one of the most appreciated societies of Greek philosophy in Europe.

The CD admitted the Sociedad Iberica de Filosofía Griega as a full member of FISP.

9. REQUEST FOR PATRONAGE AND RELATIONS WITH MEMBER SOCIETIES.

The Secretary-general informed the CD of a request for patronage coming from Prof. Boudouris (Athens) and relating to a conference titled “World Congress in Philosophy “The Philosophy of Aristotle””.

A brief yet intense discussion followed. Concerns were voiced about the use of the phrase “World Congress in [or: of] Philosophy”, the unauthorized use of FISP name, logo, and sponsorship on the website of this Conference, the inclusion of unaware CD members in its advisory committee, and other related issues. Several members of the Steering Committee expressed their views (BILETZKI, KUKOC, MORAN, DIAGNE, SCARANTINO, MCBRIDE, POZZO, AAVANI, RAMOSE); a consensus was eventually reached about the need to preserve two exigencies of FISP: the requirement for all FISP member societies to observe a fair and correct behavior, and the support to scholarly conferences across the world which is one of the missions of the Federation.

As a result, the CD decided to express scholarly support to the Aristotle Conference in Athens, but requested that the name, logo, and sponsorship of FISP be withdrawn from the website and official documentation of this Conference. President MORAN was mandated to implement this decision. [NB. In the weeks that followed, the name, logo, and sponsorship of FISP were withdrawn from the website and other official documents of this Conference.]



10. REPORTS OF THE CONSULTATIVE COMMITTEES

10.1. Committee on Bioethics and the Ethics of Sciences

There have been no meetings of the Committee on Bioethics and the Ethics of Sciences since our last meeting in Bangkok, Thailand in late March 2015.

Jacob Dahl Rendtorff has participated in several meetings and congresses on bioethics and ethics, and has worked on his own on several activities in bioethics and the ethics of sciences. Among others an article in the new journal with Evandro Agazzi as the editor: *Bioethics Update*. “Update of European bioethics: basic ethical principles in European bioethics and biolaw”, *Bioethics Update*, 1(2): 113-129 (published by Elsevier). Moreover, Rendtorff who had planned to go to Brazil in April for the FISP meeting, was instead invited to hold a mini-course on bioethics in San Salvador: *Minicurso: Responsabilidade e Bioética* (Mini-course on bioethics), Universidade Federal da Bahia. Promoção: Assessoria para Assuntos Internacionais (AAI) e os Programas de Pós-Graduação em Saúde Coletiva (PPGSC), Filosofia (PPGF), Medicina e Saúde (através do NETBIO), Ciências Sociais (PPGCS) e Direito (PPGD). The committee on Bioethics and the Ethics of Sciences, represented by Jacob Dahl Rendtorff, has been working on organizing a conference on bioethics and philosophy, preferably to be held in Paris together with UNESCO. We hope to continue with this project, but there has been little progress since the previous year.

Jacob Dahl Rendtorff
Chair, Committee on Bioethics and the Ethics of Sciences

10.2. Committee on Gender (CG)

(1) The CG proposed a new endowed lecture for the WCP. The Steering Committee of FISP has agreed to the suggestion of the CG to call it the Simone de Beauvoir Endowed Lecture. Beauvoir is seen to be a name of a woman philosopher who is globally known and therefore a fitting name for this new lecture. Judith Butler has agreed to give the first Simone de Beauvoir lecture at the next WCP in Beijing 2018.

(2) The main issue at the last meeting of the FISP steering committee meeting in June 2016 was the discussion of the list of invited speakers for panels and sessions at the WCP 2018 proposed by the program committee. The members of the CG present at the meeting commented on sessions with gender-imbalance, and suggested names for speakers that could be invited to achieve better gender balance. Care was taken in suggesting names from different parts of the world to increase geographical balance.

(3) The CG has decided to present the idea to the organizing committee in Beijing for the WCP 2018 to publish a Calendar of women philosophers in the history of philosophy, possibly as a welcome gift in the conference folder for the participants. Such a calendar would contain 52-53 short texts about women philosophers from the history of philosophy with a picture for each week of the calendar year.

(4) The CG has decided to present a proposal to the organizing committee in Beijing to set up an art exhibition at the WCP about women philosophers. Catrine Val, a German artist, has in the past years done a series of photo-artworks of women philosophers, past and present, from different parts of the world (www.catrineval.de); it is suggested that her works could be exhibited in conjunction with the WCP 2018.

Sigrídur Thorgeirsdóttir
Chair, Committee on Gender

11. IPO

Prof. BILETZKI asked what the regulation was with respect to the constitution of the IPO jury. Prof. MORAN explained that the jury of the IPO is constituted by 3 members nominated by FISP and other members nominated by the steering committee of the IPO. The Secretary-general explained that the President, Secretary-general and Chair of the Committee on the Teaching of Philosophy of FISP are institutionally involved in the IPO; however, it regularly



happens that other CD members take part in the jury. Usually, the Secretary-general writes to the CD in February to check who would volunteer to take part in the IPO jury, in order to allow a fair rotation of CD members.

Prof. MCBRIDE added that, as the IPO takes place under the patronage of UNESCO, the jury also includes a representative of UNESCO. However, he concluded, UNESCO has not been present in the recent editions of the IPO.

The Secretary-general and the President expressed their preferences for having a gender balance in the IPO jury. Indicating that the next IPO will take place in Rotterdam on 26-28 of May, 2017, they encouraged CD members who would be interested in taking part in it to inform the Secretary-general.

During the discussion, it was observed that the IPO regulations posted on FISP website are not updated. Prof. MCBRIDE agreed to take the necessary steps to transfer the updated version of the IPO regulations in the website of FISP.

12. NEXT CD MEETING

Prof. MORAN informed the CD members that he had received an official letter of invitation from Prof. Lorenzano to host the next CD meeting on March 9 to 14, 2017 in Buenos Aires, Argentina. “In this letter he is saying tentatively that his institution will provide 5 days of accommodation for all participants: the conference will take place the first 3 days and the next 2 days are reserved for the CD meeting”, said the President.

Prof. SCARANTINO explained that this proposal resulted from circular consultations among Latin American members of the Steering Committee. These exchanges, he noted, have shown their strong desire to host a CD meeting in the region, especially after the Brazilian withdrawal. Taking into account this common wish, Prof. Lorenzano proposed to host a meeting in Buenos Aires. The Secretary-general added that this invitation is a preliminary step, and further negotiations should begin with the inviting institution, in order to clarify the conditions; he specified that this is a private University based in Buenos Aires; and that Professor Lorenzano has shown a serious commitment to organizing a CD meeting in 2017.

President MORAN added that an alternative option might be another CD meeting in China. Yet, no such proposal was sent to the CD yet. He suggested accepting the proposal from Buenos Aires on a tentative basis, and pending the outcome of negotiations with the inviting institution. The CD approved this proposal.

Prof. Lorenzano’s invitation for hosting the next CD meeting in Buenos Aires was accepted; the President and the Secretary-general were mandated to express the gratitude of the CD to Prof. Lorenzano and to the inviting institution, and to discuss the scholarly contents and logistics of the meeting with them.

13. VARIA

Upon proposal of President MORAN, a tribute was paid by the CD to Professor AGBAKOBA’s late wife, who recently passed away. The CD observed a minute of silence, and expressed its condolences with Prof. Agbakoba.

Before closing the meeting, the Secretary-general and the President thanked once again Prof. Tanella BONI for the wonderful organisation of the conference and the CD meeting. “On behalf of FISP I would like to thank Prof. Tanella BONI for her invitation to host the CD meeting in Abidjan and for her hard and passionate work regarding its preparation. I would like also to thank all the people who assisted in the organisation of the Conference ‘*Politics of dignity*’ and of our meeting”, said President MORAN in conclusion.

There being no other matter to be discussed, the session was closed on June 4 at 2:30 p.m.

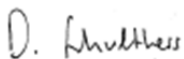
TO THE FISP Steering Committee

Dear Members, dear Colleagues,

By your decision in Athens on the occasion of the World Congress Steering Committee in August 2013, I was designated as an auditor of the financial statements of FISP for the period 2013-2018. As you know, the audit is provided for the period running from one World Congress to the next, which will be Beijing 2018. As a friend of prof. Guido Küng, the retiring Treasurer, I have had already the occasion to provide a similar service in the 1980-1990. As a resident of Switzerland and as a neighbour of the new Treasurer, prof. Gerhard Seel, it is easy for me to manage the necessary auditing. I may add that FISP is an Association in the sense defined by Swiss law (SCC art. 60ff.). As far as the financial situation for 2013-2016 is concerned, I have taken the following steps:

- (i) I have talked to prof. Guido Küng to have a precise understanding of the situation;
- (ii) I have checked the following items: the Report of the Treasurer by May 1, 2016; FISP Balance 11.03.2015 – 01.05.2016; World Congress Fund Balance 11.03.2015 – 01.05.2016; FISP Situation of Payments by Societies 01.05.2016, as well as the relevant Statements delivered by the Bank UBS;
- (iii) I have been in touch with prof. Gerhard Seel for a good transmission of all relevant information.

As the auditor of the financial statements of FISP, I can attest that all the books are correctly held, that they concord with the banking statement, and that the report of the retiring Treasurer, prof. Guido Küng, is perfectly adequate. It is my well-considered conviction that a discharge can be given to prof. Guido Küng, in order to organize the legal transmission of his powers to his successor, prof. Gerhard Seel.



Daniel Schulthess, prof., University of Neuchâtel, May 28, 2016

REPORT OF THE TREASURER
for the Meeting of the Comité Directeur of FISP
on June , 2016, in Abidjan

For the details see the following three items appended to this Report:

- FISP Bilan 11.03.2015 – 01.05.2016
- Fonds Congrès Mondiaux Bilan 11.03.2015 – 01.05.2016
- FISP Etat des paiements des sociétés 01.05.2016

Preliminary Remark

At the beginning of the year my state of health deteriorated considerably and did not allow me any more to fulfil my function as treasurer. Therefore, I declared my demission and I asked Professor Seel to step in and do the job until the election of a new treasurer. I put him forward as candidate for my succession and thank him for accepting this. For these reasons this is my **last report to the CD. I ask the committee to accept it and to grant me full and definite discharge.**

1. The Financial Situation

On March 11, 2015 the **GENERAL ASSETS OF FISP** amounted to **112'472.- Swiss Francs**, on May 01, 2016 they amounted to **106'313.- Swiss Francs** only. This corresponds to a loss of **6'158.- Swiss Francs**. This loss stands in contrast to last years gain of **2'597.- Swiss Francs**. The loss is due to three factors. 1. Our investment fund suffered a loss of 3000 Swiss Francs due to the negative development of the international markets. 2. The travel subsidies we payed for the meeting of the CD in Bangkok were exceptionally high. 3. Due to my health situation the invoices were sent out with a considerable delay. Consequently, the payments are arriving with some delay as well. But now we are making up the lost time and the situation will improve. Therefore, notwithstanding the loss in the General Assets the financial situation of FISP can be considered as stable.

2. The Funds for the Endowed Lectures

The **FUNDS FOR THE ENDOWED LECTURES AT WORLD CONGRESSES**, that are destined to pay for the Endowed Lectures, are being kept separately.

- The endowment for the **Maimonides Lecture** is being kept in Fribourg. On March 17, 2015 the assets amounted to **12'800.- Swiss Francs**. On May 01, 2016 they amounted to **12'381.- Swiss Francs**. This means that we suffered a loss of **419.- Swiss Francs**. This loss is due to the not favourable development of the international financial markets.
- In addition there exist the following three endowed Lectures
 - >the Philosophical Society of Turkey is paying for the Ibn Rushd Lecture,
 - >the **Soeren Kierkegaard Research Center at the University of Copenhagen** is paying for the Soeren Kierkegaard Lecture,
 - >the Korean Philosophical Association is paying for the East-West Lecture.

3. Payments of the Member Societies

The list of the **MEMBER SOCIETIES OF FISP** informs you about their payment of fees. As of May 01, 2016, we have listed

128 Member Societies.

63 societies have paid dues after **2014** (those societies are in good standing)

16 societies have made their last payment **for 2014** (those societies will hopefully pay their dues at least in 2018)

46 societies have made their last payment **before 2014 or have never paid** (those societies are problematic cases, if nothing changes they will have to be excluded from FISP by the General Assembly in 2018)

3 societies are new members and have not yet paid.

-In comparison to last year many societies are late with their payments. This is due to the fact that this year the invoices were sent to the societies with considerable delay because of the change of the treasurer. Now, we are making up time.

- Notice the lack of diligence of some of our Member Societies in paying their fees is not really due to financial reasons; for to financially weak societies FISP can grant (upon documented request) partial reductions of their membership fees.

- **If members of the Steering Committee of FISP have good relations to some societies in the last two categories, it would be helpful if they could encourage those societies to pay their fees or to contact the new Treasurer of FISP (gseel@net2000.ch).** Notice also that sometimes the addresses of societies or their board members have changed; so please check on our website www.fisp.org whether the list of our member societies contains information that are obsolete.

Fribourg, May 01, 2016

signed

Prof.em.Guido Küng,
Treasurer

F I S P : BILAN au 01 MAY 2016

Avoir au 11.03.2015 (1 Euro = 1.07034 CHF)

Caisse	CHF	---
Compte personnel H	CHF	10'165.95
Compte d'épargne M1W	CHF	18'165.95
Compte personnel G (EUR)		
EUR 23'558.25 =	CHF	25'215.00
Titres (49 parts UBS(Lux)		
Strategy Fund Yield(CHF)A)	CHF	<u>58'925.00</u>

TOTAL AVOIR	CHF	112'471.90
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Perte net	CHF	6'158.37
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	CHF	106'313.53
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Avoir au 01.05.2016 (1 Euro = 1.1005 CHF)

Caisse	CHF	---
Compte personnel H	CHF	25'248.52
Compte d'épargne M1W	CHF	19'493.21
Compte personnel G (EUR)		
EUR 5'474.60 =	CHF	6'024.80
Titres (49 parts UBS(Lux)		
Strategy Fund Yield(CHF)A)	CHF	<u>55'547.00</u>

TOTAL AVOIR	CHF	106'313.53
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Selon les documents bancaires du 11.03.2015 et du 02.05.2016

FONDS CONGRES MONDIAUX (FISP) : BILAN au 01.05.2016

Avoir au 11.03.2015

Compte d'épargne J1J	CHF 774.96
Titres (10 parts UBS(Lux)	
Strategy Fund Yield(CHF)A)	<u>CHF 12'026.00</u>
TOTAL AVOIR	CHF 12'800.96
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Perte nette **CHF 419.13**

CHF 12'381.47

Avoir au 01.05.2016

Compte d'épargne J1J	CHF 1'045.47
Titres (10 parts UBS(Lux)	
Strategy Fund Yield(CHF)A)	<u>CHF 11'336.00</u>

TOTAL AVOIR

CHF 12'381.47
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Selon les documents bancaires du 11.03.2015 et du 02.05.2016

The Fonds Congrès Mondiaux has been created to pay for the Maimonides Lecture.

In addition there exist the following three endowed Lectures:

>The Ibn Rushd Lecture has been endowed by the Philosophical Society of Turkey. The Philosophical Society of Turkey (Prof.Ioanna Kucuradi) pays the Lecturer at each World Congress of Philosophy.

>The Soeren Kierkegaard Lecture has been endowed by The Soeren Kierkegaard Research Center at the University of Copenhagen. The Center pays the Lecturer at each World Congress of Philosophy.

>The East-West Lecture has been endowed in January 2012 by the Korean Philosophical Association. The Korean Philosophical Association pays the Lecturer at each World Congress of Philosophy.

FISP - SOCIÉTÉS

Etat des paiements des cotisations au 01.05.2016

Pays	Nom de la Société	v ¹	a ²	Euro Spezialpreis	Bezahlt
Afrique du Sud	Philosophical Society of Southern Africa	1	2015		
Allemagne	Deutsche Gesellschaft für Philosophie	2	2016		31.03.2016
Allemagne	Kantgesellschaft	1	2016		
Argentine	Asociacion Filosófica Argentina (AFRA)	1	2015		
Argentine	Centro de Investigaciones Filosóficas (CIF)	1	2017	50	
Argentine	Sociedad Argentina de Análisis Filosófico (SADAF)	1	2015	80	
Argentine	Sociedad Argentina de Filosofía (Soarfil)	1	2013	80	
Australasie	Australasian Association of Philosophy (AAP)	1	2015		
Autriche	Österreichische Gesellschaft für Philosophie (OeGP)	1	2015		
Azerbaïdjan	Association of Global and Civilizational Studies	0	2014		
Belgique	Belgian Society for Logic and Philosophy of Science (BSLPS)	1	2012		
Belgique	Société Philosophique de Louvain	1	2013		
Brésil	Academia Brasileira de Filosofia (Rio de Janeiro)	1	2013		
Brésil	Instituto Brasileiro de Filosofia (Sao Paulo)	1	2013	40	
Brésil	Sociedade Brasileira de Filosofia Analítica	1	2015		
Bulgarie	Bulgarian Philosophical Association	1	2015	40	
Canada	Canadian Philosophical Association - Association Canadienne de Philosophie	0	2016		
Canada	Société de Philosophie du Québec (SPQ)	1	2014		
Chili	Asociación Chilena de Filosofía (ACHIF)	1	2016		
Chine	Institute of Philosophy of the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences	1	2015		
Chine	Institute of Philosophy of the Shanghai Academy of Social Sciences	1	2016		
Chine	Chinese Association of Philosophy (CAP) in Taiwan, China	1	2016		
Côte d'Ivoire	Association Ivoirienne des Professeurs de Philosophie (AIPP) (admitted in March 2015 in Bangkok)	1	NEW		
Corée du Nord	Korean Association of Social Scientists (KASS)	2	2011		
Corée du Sud	Korean Philosophical Association	2	2016		21.04.2016

¹ votes

² années (payé jusqu'à)

Croatie	Croatian Philosophical Society - Hrvatsko filozofsko drustvo	1	2016		18.04.2016
Cuba	Sociedad Cubana de Investigaciones Filosoficas (SCIF)	1	2018		
Danemark	Danish Philosophical Association – Dansk Filosofisk Selskab	1	2016		12.04.2016
Danemark	Filosofisk Forum - Forum Philosophique de Copenhague	1	2016		12.04.2016
Espagne	Sociedad Académica de Filosofía (SAF)	1	2013		
Espagne	Sociedad Española de Filosofía Analítica (SEFA) (admitted in March 2015 in Bangkok)	1	2016		
Etats-Unis-Amérique	Alain Locke Society (ALS)	1	2015		
Etats-Unis-Amérique	American Philosophical Association (APA)	4	2015		
Etats-Unis-Amérique	Charles S. Peirce Society	1	2017		
Etats-Unis-Amérique	Institute for the Advancement of Philosophy for Children (IAPC)	1	2009		
Etats-Unis-Amérique	Radical Philosophy Association (RPA)	1	2017		
Etats-Unis-Amérique	Society for the Advancement of American Philosophy (SAAP)	1	2015		
Finlande	Philosophical Society of Finland - Suomen Filosofinen Yhdistys	1	2016		
France	Société Française de Philosophie (SFP)	2	2015		
Grande-Bretagne	Britisch Philosophical Association	1	2015		
Grande-Bretagne	Royal Institute of Philosophy	2	2016		28.04.2016
Grèce	Fondation de Recherche et d'Édition Philosophique Néohellénique	½	2013		
Grèce	Research Centre for Greek Philosophy of the Academy of Athens	1	2014		
Grèce	Société Grecque de Philosophie - Greek Philosophical Society	1	2015		
Grèce	Société Hélienne d'Études Philosophiques	½	2013		
Guatemala	Asociación Guatemalteca de Filosofía (AGF)	1	2013		
Hongrie	Hungarian Philosophical Association - Magyar Filozófiai Társaság	2	2009		
Inde	All India Philosophical Association - Akhila Bharatiya Darshan Parishad	1	2013		
Inde	Centre for Studies in Civilizations	1	2015		
Inde	Indian Council of Philosophical Research (ICPR)	1	2015		
Inde	Indian Philosophical Congress (IPC)	1	2013		
Iran	Iranian Philosophical Society (IPS) - Anjomane Elmie Hekmat va Falsafehe Iran	1	2015		
Iran	Sadra Islamic Philosophy Research Institute (SIPRIIn)	1	2015		
Irlande	Academy Committee for Philosophy and Ethics	2	2015		

Irlande	Irish Philosophical Society - Cumann Fealsúnachta na hEireann	1	2013		
Islande	Icelandic Philosophical Society - Felag Ahugamanna um Heimspeki	0	2016	80	21.04.2016
Israël	New Israeli Philosophy Society	1	2014		
Italie	Fondazione Centro Studi Filosofici di Gallarate	1	2015		
Italie	Istituto di Studi Filosofici “Enrico Castelli” (Roma)	1	2000		
Italie	Istituto Italiano per gli Studi Filosofici (IISF, Napoli)	1	2014		
Italie	Società Filosofica Italiana (SFI)	2	2015		
Italie	Società Italiana di Estetica (SIE) (should have replaced in 2012 the Associazione Italiana Studi di Estetica (AISE))	1	never paid		
Japon	Japanese Federation of Philosophical Societies (JFPS)	2	2015		
Lettonie	Institute of Philosophy and Sociology of the University of Latvia - Latvijas Universitātes Filozofijas un Sociologijas Instituts	1	2015		
Luxembourg	Société Luxembourgeoise de Philosophie	1	2003		
Macédoine (ARYM)	Philosophical Society of Macedonia – Filozofsko drustvo na Makedonija	1	2009		
Maroc	Association Marocaine de Philosophie (AMP) (En 2008, à Seoul, le Conseil International de Philosophie et des Sciences Humaines (CIPSH) a payé un acompte de 100 USD (équivalent alors à 100 CHF) en faveur de l' Association Marocaine de Philosophie)	1	1998		
Mexique	Asociación Filosófica de México (AFM)	2	2013		
Mexique	Sociedad Mexicana de Filosofía (SMF)	1	2014		
Mongolie	Mongolian Association of Philosophy (MAP) - Mongolnyn Filosofijn Kholboo	1	2012		
Nepal	Society for Philosophy and Literary Studies, Kathmandu, Nepal	1	2013		
Nigéria	Nigerian Philosophical Association Association	1	2015		
Pakistan	Islamic Philosophical Association of Pakistan (IPA)	1	2013		
Pays-Bas	Société Générale Néerlandaise de Philosophie – Algemene Nederlandse Vereniging voor Wijsbegeerte (ANVW)	1	2013		
Philippines	Philippine Academy of Philosophical Research (PAPR)	1	2017		
Philippines	Philosophical Association of the Philippines (PAP)	1	2015		
Pologne	Polish Philosophical Society - Polskie Towarzystwo Filozoficzne	2	2010		

Portugal	Sociedade Portuguesa de Filosofia (SPF)	1	2014		
Roumanie	Romanian Academy, Section of Philosophy, Theology, Psychology and Pedagogy	1	2015		
Russie	Institute of Philosophy of the Russian Academy of Sciences	2	2015		
Russie	Russian Philosophical Society - Rossijskoe Filosofskoe Obshchestvo	2	2015		
Sénégal	Société Sénégalaise de Philosophie (SO.SE.PHI)	1	2015		
Slovaquie	Slovak Philosophical Association - Slovenské Filozofické Združenie	1	2015		
Suède	Swedish Philosophical Association - Svenska Filosofiska sällskapet	1	2006		
Suisse	Société Suisse de Philosophie - Schweizerische Philosophische Gesellschaft	2	2015		
Thaïlande	Philosophy and Religion Society of Thailand (PARST)	1	2014		
Tchéquie	Institute of Philosophy of the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic - Filosofický ústav Akademie věd ČR	1	2013		
Turquie	Philosophical Society of Turkey - Türkiye Felsefe Kurumu	1	2016		
Ukraine	Ukrainian Philosophical Foundation - Ukrainskiy-filosofskiy-fond	1	2013		
Uruguay	Sociedad Filosófica del Uruguay (SFU) (admitted in March 2015 in Bangkok)	1	NEW		
Ouzbékistan	Philosophical Society of Uzbekistan (PSU) - Uzbekistan falsafa jamiati (admitted in March 2015 in Bangkok)	1	NEW		
Venezuela	Sociedad Venezolana de Filosofia	1	2011		
z-Internationale	Académie Internationale de Philosophie des Sciences (AIPS)	1	2015		
z-Internationale	Afro-Asian Philosophy Association (AAPA)	1	2013		
z-Internationale	Asociación de Filosofía y Liberación (AFYL)	1	2018		
z-Internationale	Association des Sociétés de Philosophie de Langue Française (ASPLF)	1	2016		27.04.2016
z-Internationale	Association Internationale des Professeurs de Philosophie (AIPPh)	1	2014		
z-Internationale	Association of Chinese Philosophers in North America (admitted in October 2012)	1	never paid		
z-Internationale	Conference on Philosophical Societies (CoPS)	1	2013		
z-Internationale	Conseil Interafricain de Philosophie	1	2013		
z-Internationale	Council for Research in Values and Philosophy (RVP)	1	2015		
z-Internationale	George Santayana Society (GSS)	1	2016		
z-Internationale	Gottfried-Wilhelm-Leibniz-Gesellschaft	1	2014		

z-Internationale	Institut International de Philosophie (IIP)	1	2015		
z-Internationale	International Association for Aesthetics (IAA)	0	2013		
z-Internationale	International Association for Greek Philosophy	1	2015		
z-Internationale	International Association for the Philosophy of Sport (IAPS)	0	2015		
z-Internationale	International Association for the Study of Controversies (IASC)	1	2014		
z-Internationale	International Association of Centers for Peirce Studies (IACPS)	0	2008		
z-Internationale	International Association of Women Philosophers - Internationale Assoziation von Philosophinnen	1	2014		
z-Internationale	International Plato Society (IPS)	1	2013		
z-Internationale	International Society for Chinese Philosophy (ISCP)	1	2017		
z-Internationale	International Society for Environmental Ethics (ISEE)	1	2013		
z-Internationale	International Society for Islamic Philosophy	1	2015		
z-Internationale	International Society for Metaphysics	1	2013		
z-Internationale	International Society for the History of Philosophy of Science (HOPOS)	1	2006		
z-Internationale	International Society for Universal Dialogue (ISUD)	1	2015		
z-Internationale	International Society for Value Inquiry (ISVI)	1	2013		
z-Internationale	Internationale Hegel-Gesellschaft	0	2012		
z-Internationale	Internationale Hegel-Vereinigung (Internationale Vereinigung zur Förderung des Studiums der Hegelschen Philosophie)	1	2008		
z-Internationale	Karl Jaspers Society of North America (KJSNA)	1	2018		
z-Internationale	Latin American Association for Analytic Philosophy (ALFAn)	1	2014		
z-Internationale	North American Sartre Society - La Société Sartrienne de l'Amérique du Nord	1	2014		
z-Internationale	North American Society for Social Philosophy	1	2014		
z-Internationale	Schopenhauer-Gesellschaft	0	2011		
z-Internationale	Sociedade de filosofia da educação de língua portuguesa (SOFELP) - Portuguese-speaking Society of Philosophy of Education	1	2013		
z-Internationale	Tomonobu Imamichi Institute for Eco-Ethics	1	2013		
z-Internationale	World Union of Catholic Philosophical Societies	1	2013		

**Report about the Ongoing Status of Preparation of the 24th WCP
for the CD meeting in Abidjan, Ivory Coast, 2016**

Beijing, June 2, 2016

I Chinese Organizing Committee

Chinese Organizing Committee (COC) for the 24th WCP has been founded after the signing of the Memorandum in the March of 2014. It is now chaired both by the chairman of the Peking University council (Mr. ZHU, Shanlu) and the president of the Peking University (Prof. LIN, Jianhua).

Nowadays a couple of sectors in the COC are set to serve the organization of the 24th WCP. Prof. TU, Weiming directs the academic sector. Prof. WANG, Bo (as an assistant of the university president) directs as the executive sector as the WCP secretariat. The university office of accounting takes charge of the financing sector. The information center of the Peking university is responsible for the construction and maintenance of the WCP website.

We have already started to think of an honorary committee added to the COC. The honorary committee should eventually include politicians, sponsoring businessmen as well as a number of famous senior academics. It will take more time to talk to the relevant people and create the committee.

II The Financial Status of the Organizing Process

So far, Peking University has taken over all the costs from different areas related to the WCP organization (such as conferences, the annual international program committee meeting, the construction of the WCP website etc.). This way, it provided an irreplaceable and extremely supportive financing source to advance the

organization of the WCP. Certainly, Peking University will continue to provide all the necessary support for our organization in the next few years.

Apart from the financial support from the university, we have been succeeded in collecting some donation to set up the “Wang Yangming” Lecture which is one of the Endowed Lectures in the 24th WCP. The COC is striving for an attraction of more sponsorship in the Chinese society.

III Proposals for Location of the Opening Ceremony

The COC has made out two different proposals for a location of the opening ceremony in the 24th WCP. One is named the PKU proposal whereas the other as the National proposal. Each of the two proposals has its own advantage.

1. The PKU proposal suggests to hold the opening ceremony in one of the national Olympic stadiums which is located on the campus. The stadium was used for the PingPang game in the Beijing Olympic Games of 2008. Prof. Dermot Moran, Prof. Luca Scarantino and Prof. Riccardo Pozzo have already observed the stadium in person during the second program committee meeting in 2015.
2. The National proposal suggests to hold the opening ceremony in one of the memorial places at the center of Beijing city. Apparently the national proposal must be officially permitted both by the government of the city and the Chinese central government. As for the location issue, we cannot start to talk to the government until the fall of 2017.

IV The Involvement of the Wider Chinese Scholarly Community

1. On Sep. 4, 2015, we have organized the first Chinese organization meeting with a

great deal of most influential academic people in Peking University.

2. On Nov. 6, 2015, Prof. Zhe Liu made a presentation to introduce the WCP and

report the organizing process to all the chairs of Chinese philosophical departments on the occasion of annual national philosophical education meeting.

3. We have circulated the First Circular of WCP2018 both in English and Chinese version to all the Chinese philosophical institutions in the first half of 2016. The elegant website for the 24th WCP (<http://wcp2018.pku.edu.cn/index.htm>) makes our voices accessible to more people in the public.

4. Prof. Bo Wang as the vice-chair of the national philosophical education committee made another report on the progress of the organization of the 24th WCP for the committee in the April of 2016.

5. We have created the official account of the 24th WCP for a public communication both on the Wechat (Chinese twitter) and Weibo (Chinese Facebook). A good number of Chinese philosophers and researchers in the top universities have got to know the fantastic event of 2018. Some philosophers and philosophical institutions have already inquired and demanded to organize round-table meetings in the Congress. One of the most senior philosophers, Prof. Shiyong Zhang, at the age of 95 from Peking University has even submitted his paper both in English and Chinese which is titled as "How to Achieve a 'Perfect Person: 'Aesthetic person'". Apparently, more and more Chinese people are becoming enthusiastic at our Congress in 2018.

6. In the next two years, we will organize philosophical meetings or other forms of cultural events to promote the 24th WCP both among Chinese philosophical academics



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and students. We will start to recruit university students to volunteer their service in the organization of the 24th WCP this summer. The Chinese academic community will then warm up this way.

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