**Minutes of IQSA General Assembly, St. John's, Canada, 8 July, 2026**

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**1. RESULTS OF ELECTIONS**

(reported by Sandro Sozzo)

President: Emmanuel Haven

Vice-President: Roberto Beneduci

Secretary: Sandro Sozzo

Treasurer (not subject to elections):
John Harding

Editor (not subject to elections):
should be assigned by the Council

Councillors serving till 2028 Biennial IQSA Meeting (they cannot be re-elected):
Emanuel Chetcuti
Gejza Jenča
Lajos Molnar (replacing Emmanuel Haven)
Paolo Perinotti
Soroush Rafiee Rad
Tomas Veloz

Councillors serving till 2030 Biennial IQSA Meeting:
Francesco Buscemi
Anatolij Dvurecenskij
Roberto Giuntini
Jan Paseka
Bassano Vacchini
Thomas Vettterlein

Members of the Nominating Committee serving till 2028 Biennial IQSA Meeting (they cannot be re-elected):

Anna Jenčová
Karl Svozil

Members of the Nominating Committee serving till 2030 Biennial IQSA Meeting:

Federico Holik
Antonio Ledda

**2. BIRKHOFF-VON NEUMANN PRIZE 2026**

(reported by Sandro Sozzo)

The "Birkhoff-von Neumann Prize 2026" was awarded to Nicholas Ormrod and Shengyang Zhong.

**3. TREASURER'S REPORT**

(reported by Sandro Sozzo)

According to the last bank statements, IQSA has in its coffers the following amounts:

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| In Origin Bank | 25,006 USD |
| Euro-based account | Temporarily closed (see 4. Financial matters) |
| Paypal account | 2,400 USD |

In sum, the IQSA treasury now holds (the equivalent of) 27,406 USD.

**4. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

(reported by Sandro Sozzo)

Following the UK's withdrawal from the EU, Barclays Bank (Leicester) introduced new compliance requirements stating that the authorized signatories of the IQSA's bank account must be UK residents. As the current officers no longer meet this requirement, the existing UK bank account has had to be closed. This situation is purely administrative and temporary, and the IQSA's funds remain fully secure.

To establish a stable and long-term European financial structure, the Executive Committee has decided to register "IQSA Europe" as a non-profit association in Italy, with its legal headquarters at the University of Calabria. The legal representatives of the Association will be Roberto Beneduci (past President), Sandro Sozzo (Secretary), and John Harding (Treasurer).

The registered office has already been approved, and all the necessary documentation is ready to be submitted to the Italian Revenue Agency. As soon as the non-profit status is formally recognized, a new bank account in euros will be opened in the name of IQSA in Italy. At that stage, a part of the funds provisionally held on the Association's US bank account will be transferred back to the new European account.

This solution ensures that IQSA will once again have a permanent European banking presence, fully aligned with current regulations and capable of supporting the Association's activities efficiently.

Members will be informed immediately once the registration process has been completed, which we expect to happen in the near future.

**5. AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION**
(reported by Sandro Sozzo)
The proposed amendments to the IQSA Constitution were presented to the General Assembly and were approved unanimously.

**6. IQSA FELLOWSHIP**
(reported by Sandro Sozzo)
The General Assembly approved the proposal to establish the IQSA Fellowship, subject to the amendments indicated as comments in the original Fellowship proposal document. The General Assembly further mandated the President to verify that the revised version of the document duly reflects the suggestions and recommendations made by the General Assembly.

**7. CONFERENCE PROCEEDINGS**
(reported by Sandro Sozzo)
The proceedings of the Conference Quantum Structures 2026 will be published in a special issue of International Journal of Theoretical Physics (Springer Nature), Guest Editors Emmanuel Haven, Roberto Beneduci, Sandro Sozzo. The submission window will be open in the period:

1 September 2026 – 28 February 2027

The special session dedicated on the application of quantum structures across disciplinary boundaries will be published in a special issue of Quantum Economics and Finance (Sage), Guest Editors Emmanuel Haven, Sandro Sozzo. The submission window will be open in the period:

1 September 2026 – 28 February 2027.

**8. PROPOSALS FOR THE NEXT IQSA BIENNIAL MEETING**
No proposal has been received to date for the organization of IQSA 2028. Sonja Smets reminded that the IQSA had received a proposal from Malta in 2024, and the General Assembly recommended to check whether the proposal is still valid. In the case of a negative response, Jan Paseka suggested that he might consider the possibility of hosting IQSA 2028 in Brno.

**9. MISCELLANEOUS**
Roberto Beneduci informed the General Assembly that a new and more professional version of the IQSA website, currently hosted under the domain of VUB Brussels, is almost ready. Maintaining an independent domain for IQSA would entail an annual cost of EUR 40. The General Assembly approved the proposal for IQSA to have its own domain.
Roberto Beneduci further informed the General Assembly that a Wikipedia page for IQSA has been prepared, incorporating suggestions from the founding members of the Association. The page is currently in progress and is expected to become available soon.

(Recorded by Roberto Beneduci, edited by Sandro Sozzo.)