Executive Board report
Activities I

• 2017: joint conference with RC14 and RC13, 42 panels and 133 papers
• 2017: co-sponsored panels at ECPR and APSA
• 2018 IPSA congress:
  ➢ 9 panels and 43 papers (cf. 14 in 2016 and 19 in 2014 but 2 in 2006...)
  ➢ 7th out of 49 RCs by no. of panels convened
Activities II

• 2019 conference:
  ➢ Another JC with RC14 (12-15 June, Sarajevo)?
  ➢ Possible JC with RC30 or IPPC (26-28 June, Montreal)?
  ➢ Co-sponsored panels at ECPR and APSA

• 2020 WC:
  ➢ Scheduled for 25-30 July in Lisbon
Membership

• Focus on consolidation: 45 members up to date with payment (cf. ~25-30 historically; peak of 37 in 2001?)
• Still only 1/3 of wider contact list
• Geographical spread not great
• Shift to expansion; how best to achieve it?
• Fee expensive (e.g. cf. APSA); reduce it to $20?
• Other suggestions?
Treasury

- Focus on consolidation and full control of PayPal account; new PayPal account
- Revenues up; website name and plan ($38) only exp.
- $1,500 grant from IPSA for 2017 JC
- US$4,580 ($3,000 bank + $1,580 PayPal)
- Cf. $2,764 in 2016 and $2,574 in 2015
- No takers for 2018 WC travel grant
Communications

• Website development: new domain name, revamped and updated pages, expanded archive
• Twitter presence @IPSA_RC28 (38 followers)
• Google list updated; remaining non-members to be dropped
• News articles in Participation (IPSA magazine)
• Further develop website; increase Twitter followers
Publius Award

• Awarded to Arthur Benz of TU Darmstadt
• Announcement seen 13 times on website; liked 31 timed and retweeted 12 times on Twitter
• Prof. Benz could not attend meeting
• Thanks to CSF, rep. by J. Kincaid, for support
• 2020 award to be decided by summer 2019 to minimise risk of non-attendance
Relations with other networks

• Close links with APSA and ECPR
  ➢ Tom and Carol active in APSA section; Paolo and Wolfgang active in ECPR group
  ➢ Co-sponsored panels at both conferences in 2017
• Links also with CES, PSA, ABSP, SVPW etc.
• Collaboration with Forum of Federations (plan to deepen it)
• Other links to pursue?
2020 board election

- New board to be elected in 2020 (4-year cycle)
- Three members to step down (Paolo, Tom, Wolfgang)
- Three new members to recruit
- Would be good to have a LA and an African member
- Encourage people to stand for election
- Only paid up members eligible and track record of IPSA attendance needed