RC28 Annual Meeting 2015

University of Edinburgh, Scotland
17 September 2015

Conference “Rethinking Territoriality Between Independence and Interdependence”
co-hosted with RC14 and RC15
Center on Constitutional Change
Agenda

• Annual Report
• Finances
• Elections of officers 2016
• World Congress 2016, Istanbul
• Other Conferences
• MOU with Publius and ensuing process
• News and Information?

Minutes?
List of presence?
Annual Report

- World Congress 2014, Montreal: 20 panels, business meeting (esp. elections on biennial cycle)
- Coordination leading up to current conference in Edinburgh
- https://ipsarc28.wordpress.com/
  Paolo Dardanelli (p.dardanelli@kent.ac.uk)
- https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/ipsarc28
  82 members (paid dues, or at some point recently)
- 155 contacts on spreadsheet

Need for decision:
- Sharing of membership info with IPSA to get theirs?
- Future or Newsletter?
• 2006: About 3,000 USD transferred from Indiana to Montreal (= unused grant & some dues)
• Drawn down almost entirely between 2006-2012 to pay for assistance to help manage RC28
• Since 2012, no outlays
• Bank account (~$270) and PayPal account continued to live in Montreal
• Transitioned summer 2015
• PayPal account balance discovered: 2,300 USD, indicating accumulation of dues
• 2,000 USD transferred to IPSA bank account in DC; current balance now:
  – Bank account: 2,206.05 USD
  – PayPal account: 373.86 USD

Need for decision:
• Anchor management and oversight of finances in bylaws
• Define financial needs and develop budgeting

2015: $400
2014: $240
2013: $440
*+ LTM

==> ~25 paid members on average
Elections 2016

• Last elections in 2013 (Madrid)
• Bylaws foresee
  – *Possibility (?)* to appoint a three-member Nominating Committee (names to be published on website 3 months prior to relevant World Congress)
  – Nominations must be supported by two nominators (within 14 days of World Congress at the latest), published 17 days (incl. positions) before elections
  – Elections by electronic voting (open 14 days)
  – Overseen by Chair and one member of Nominating Committee

Need for decision:
• Appoint nominating committee or not? (If so, who? If not, alternative process, including oversight?)
• When to hold elections?
World Congress 2016

• Attention to open panels: https://istanbul2016.ipsa.org/events/congress/istanbul2016/panels-by-session/accepted/6358/0

• Closed panels & papers by October 7!

• Chairs/discussants!

Need for decision:

• Other conferences? (esp. Tanvir’s inquiry)
MOU with Publius

- See MOU
- RC28 Executive will handle

Need for decision:

- Adopt & sign
- Desires regarding nomination process?
- Process to convey during WC?
News and Information?