

**ICHTH BOARD MEETING**  
**Provisional Minutes 23 February 2026**

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**Welcome:** Antoon De Baets welcomed the Board to the meeting.

The meeting was recorded using Adelaide University Zoom.

**Present:** Antoon De Baets, Marnie Hughes-Warrington (*minutes*), Efi Gazi, Allan Megill, Marek Tamm, Xupeng Zhang, Olufunke Adeboye, Dipesh Chakrabarty, Ewa Domanska

**Observing:** Arthur Assis

**Apologies Received:** Daniel Woolf, Verónica Tozzi, Sanjay Seth, Berber Bevernage

3. [Provisional minutes of meeting of 21 February 2025](#): The minutes were approved by the Board.

4. [Provisional agenda of meeting of 23 February 2026](#): The agenda was approved by the Board.

[Background to this meeting: [Provisional minutes of ICHTH Executive meeting of 21 January 2026](#)]

**Actions for this meeting:**

202602231	Provide Marek with the email addresses of the paper and panel presenters for the INTH coming via the ICHTH	Marnie and Daniel	1 March 2026
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5. [ICHTH–INTH Book Prizes](#)

Marek Tamm provided a report on the book prizes, noting that there has been progress in publishing the forum for the two laureates. Proofs have been advanced and it is expected that the forum will be published online very soon, before the announcement of the next prizes. The forum consists of three reviews of each of winning books, as well as an introduction and a rejoinder by each Laureate. For the next Book Prize competition, we have received 21 submissions from 17 countries (6 Best First Book; 14 Best Book; 1 disqualified). The disqualification arose from the book not being on historiography or theory of history. The first meeting of the Jury will be 13 March, then 24 April. The prize ceremony will take place at the end of the ICHTH conference on 22 May. It is planned that the shortlist for both prizes will be published after 13 March. Thanks was extended by the Board to the Prize committee for their important work. There will be a brief evaluation meeting for the prizes after the conference.

6. [INTH Conference \(Tallinn, Estonia, 19–22 May 2026\)](#)

Marnie Hughes-Warrington provided a report, noting with thanks the wonderful work by joint SG Daniel Woolf. The ICHTH received a strong number of applications for papers and panels for the INTH conference, and [five single papers and four panels submitted by the ICHTH Board](#) were approved by the INTH Conference organizers. The draft program has now been published.

The book prize ceremony is confirmed for 30 minutes just before the final roundtable session at the conference.

Antoon De Baets will invite members of the Board and their partners for an informal dinner likely on the evening of 19 May 2026 at Tallinn. An invitation to follow.

7. [ICHS/CISH Centenary Congress \(Leipzig, Germany, 26–29 August 2026\)](#)

Marnie Hughes-Warrington provided a report, noting with thanks the wonderful work by joint SG Daniel Woolf. We will host two panels ([Future of Historiography](#); [Publishers' Panel](#)) submitted by the ICHTH Board and approved by the ICHS.

It was noted that there will also be a [CISH General Assembly](#) meeting on 27 August 2026. Approvals will be sought for revisions to the CISH Constitution in that meeting. It will also appoint a new CISH Board (candidates include ICHTH member Tyson Retz, who works at the University of Stavanger (Norway)). Thanks was given to Olufunke Adeboye for her work on the nominations committee.

An informal dinner for Board members and partners at CISH is proposed. More details will follow in an invitation.

Finally, it was noted that CISH invited the ICHTH to make a four-minute video highlighting its activities and achievements. This is currently being scripted, and the process of collating the videos is being advanced by the International Federation for Public History.

A reminder that the links in the minutes can take members to the program.

## Organization

### 8. [Upcoming meetings](#)

- May 2026: INTH Conference, Tallinn (see item 6)
- July 2026: Evaluation meeting book prizes (see item 5) (online)
- August 2026: CISH Congress, Leipzig (see item 7)
- January 2027: ICHTH Executive Cttee meeting (online)
- February 2027: ICHTH Board meeting (online)
- August 2027: ICHTH General Assembly (online)

### 9. [Newsletters](#)

Olufunke Adeboye provided a report on the newsletters, including numbers [no. 5](#) and [no. 6](#): published in 2025; [no. 7](#) published this month; [no. 8](#): scheduled Oct. 2026. Thanks were expressed to Olufunke for her work on the newsletters. The Executive Committee has been very pleased with responses to calls for nominations and information, and the Board and members are invited to advance details of conferences, seminars, achievements and new publications and journals to Olufunke for inclusion. The responses indicate the Newsletter is read around the world.

### 10. **Budget on 13 February 2026 (attached)**

Balance: 6575,77 Euros; assets: 9458,41 euros on bank and PayPal accounts.

### 11. [Membership](#) (attached)

[Members](#): 155 on 13 February 2026.

**Fees:** paid for 2026: 118 members; fees not yet paid for 2026: 28 members; fees waived: 9 members.

**Candidate members:** 13 new members out of 14 candidate members approved and invited in the last round. New rounds planned in May–June and November–December 2026.

Persistent non-paying members since 2022: 21 struck from list. Exercise to be repeated in June 2026.

### 12. [Constitution](#)

[New draft](#) approved by Board is made available on website for comment in February 2024. No comments have been received to date.

**13. [Grokikipedia](#):** The Board noted the appearance of a Grokikipedia page on the Commission, noting how closely it follows the Wikipedia entry.

**14. [ICHTH Board](#):** Dipesh Chakrabarty indicated that this would be his last meeting on the Board. He noted with great thanks the opportunity that the Board has provided him and expressed thanks in particular Ewa Domańska and Antoon De Baets for their leadership. The Board—individually, and together—congratulated him on his outstanding service, and in recognition, bestowed him recognition as an honorary member with its deepest thanks. Congratulations were expressed by the Board for his deep and sustained contribution.

Arthur Assis from Brasília University (Brazil) was successfully nominated to join the Board, and he was congratulated by members of the Board for his appointment.

### 15. **Any other business**