

2023 IAPS Annual General Meeting

Agenda and Reports

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2023 IAPS Annual General Meeting Agenda

Call to order 1:38pm.

1. **Recognition of Officers:** [Incoming officers/committee members in brackets].

President: Kenneth Aggerholm [Irena Martinkova]

Secretary Treasurer: Peter Hopsicker

Journal Editor: Paul Gaffney

Conference Chair: Emily Ryall

Elections Chair: Sandra Meeuwsen

Newsletter Editor: Christopher Yorke [Lukas Mares]

Members at large (even): Teresa Lacerda, Jeffrey Fry.

Members at large (odd): Joseph Lewandowski, Leslie Francis [Nina Windgätter and Steffen Borge]

Web Editor: Sam Morris

HAFS: Adam Pfleegor, Eric Moore and Noora Ronkainen [Filip Kobiela]

2. **Confirmation of Agenda**

a) **Motion/Second/no objections**

3. **Approval of minutes** from the previous meeting August 2022,

a) **Motion/Second/no objections.**

4. **Matters Arising**

a) Officer Reports (questions/answers based on reports below)

i. President: Kenneth Aggerholm

- Welcomed new association for philosophy of sport in Portuguese.

ii. Secretary Treasurer: Peter Hopsicker

- Summary of report given.
- All-time high for membership (211)

iii. Journal Editor: Paul Gaffney

- Summary of report given.

iv. Newsletter Editor: Christopher Yorke

- Absent/no report.

v. Webmaster: Sam Morris

- Summary of report given.
- Please send website corrections to Sam.

b) Committee Reports

i. Conference Chair: Emily Ryall

- Summary of report given.
- Discussed remote participation challenges and moving forward.
- Abstract submission process will be reviewed. Looking to find alternative to Easy Chair.
- Constantino suggests starting the creation of strands, publications and presentations in their original language; not just English at all conference venues.
 - Call for more diversity in language use in IAPS; not all in English anymore.
 - Emily suggests having virtual conference that can have more sessions/strands in native language.
 - Virtual platforms allow for translation; as a suggestion.
 - Paul Gaffney brought up the translation project. We have money from T&F to do so. Provided an update.
 - Jim Perry: provided example of Czech, Chinese, Japanese membership; we would need to do it broadly; multiple languages would need to be covered. This would not be easy.
 - Constantino: proposes international series of philosophy in each country.
 - Steffen Borge: Collect classic articles from each area and publish volumes; eventually build up a library.
 - We will explore expanding the translation project to address some of these concerns.

ii. Elections: Sandra Meeuwsen

- Absent; see report
- Question about more transparency in election results;
- Peter requested more membership involvement in nominating and serving in IAPS roles.

iii. Honors, Awards, and Future Sites: Adam Pfleegor (Chair)

- Absent; see report.
- Attending first-time graduate student thanked us for IAPS investment in new scholars.
- Scott Kretchmar spoke on the value of in-person conferences.

5. New Business

a) Update from 2023 Executive Council Meeting

- i. Ad hoc committee to be formed to explore three-year presidential terms.
 - Cesar/Pam suggested review of entire constitution.
- ii. Renegotiation of T&F contract
- iii. Continue to explore joint BPSA/IAPS membership/access to JPS/SEP.
- iv. IAPS social media presence; broader communications strategy.
- v. Virtual participation at future conferences.
- vi. 2024 World Congress of Philosophy in Rome.
 - Thematic session and society session.
 - Steffen Borge is taking lead.
- vii. Note one proposal for 2025; entertain additional proposals for 2025 or beyond.

b) Discussion and vote on

- i. Proposal for a Formal Policy on Financial Requests
 - Cesar: recommend that applicants must be active members of IAPS for five years rather than three.
 - Adam Berg asked why. It is quality of contribution, not length of membership. Would keep people out of applying.
 - Cesar: Took IAPS decades to be financially stable. He seeks to be sure that applicants are committed to the organization.
 - Colleen: Are students eligible for this? If they are, perhaps students would be exempt from 5 years.
 - Young scholars could use it; therefore, 3 years.
 - Leslie Francis: shorter time period due to trajectory of career; would help scholars out when the need it early.
 - Jim Perry: are we awarding 20 small grants? Or 2 larger grants? How will this be administered? Is IAPS now a grant funding agency? Questions if this should be an initiative for IAPS.
 - Send back to committee for review of these suggestions.

- ii. Proposal to add a DEIB Committee to the IAPS Constitution
 - Leslie Howe: Serious issues with the proposals.
 - Unclear of purpose of committee.
 - Does it have power or not?
 - Undemocratic selection of committee process is not acceptable.
 - Serious issues with committee being involved with JPS affairs; and publishing.
 - The amendment is politically charged potentially; agenda driven.
 - Adam Berg: Committee member response.
 - Some elected; some appointed to avoid popularity contests. Provides some opportunity to maintain consistency and avoid stated issues.
 - Purpose, to make recommendations to look at IAPS, culture, process; charged to take the time to make IAPS more cognizant of IAPS operations in the context of DEIB.
 - No direct influence on Journal.
 - Have faith in the committee to put forth good recommendations and that the executive will listen.
 - Creating a framework for space to review DEIB issues is better than having them addressed as they come in an ad hoc manner.
 - John Pike
 - Trust in executive instead of creating a committee; the DEIB committee would undermine the executive ability to continue to

do what this committee is seeking to do.

- This is an idealistic version of this. The risk of going rogue with at DEIB committee is greater with the committee than with trusting the executive committee. Carwyn agrees.
- Leslie Francis
 - Executive committee has multiple functions and responsibilities. If inclusivity is part of our expectations and functions, this should be part of constitution and function.
- Javi
 - Supports the amendment. It is important to have a committee to go to with concerns.
- Vote passed to send to membership to vote on constitution amendment.

c) Award winners

- i. Student Travel Awards (17)
- ii. Kretchmar
 - Yanei Lezama Ramirez
- iii. Heather Reid Service
 - Paul Gaffney
- iv. Fraleigh Scholar Award
 - Ivo Jirasek (2023)
 - Jeff Fry (2024)

d) IAPS 2024 Conference

- i. Nova Scotia: August 19-20 social program; August 21 to August 23 sessions; August 24: Shuttle back to airport or social program.

6. Other Business

Adjourned 2:45pm

2022 IAPS Annual General Meeting Minutes

Call to order: 12:15pm

Kenneth congratulated conference hosts. Thanked them for all their work.

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Elections Chair: Chad Carlson [Sandra Meeuwsen]

Newsletter Editor: Christopher Yorke

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Members at large (odd): Joseph Lewandowski, Leslie Francis

Web Editor: Sam Morris

HAFS: Adam Berg (going off), Adam Pfleegor (chair), Noora Ronkainen [Eric Moore]

Motion to ratify the elections: Jesus motion; Chris Yorke 2nd; no objections.

2. Confirmation of Agenda

a) **Bill Morgan; Jesus 2nd; no objections.**

3. Approval of minutes from previous virtual meeting September

2021 a) Bill Morgan; John Russell 2nd; no objections

4. Matters Arising

a) Officer Reports (questions/answers based on reports below)

i. President: Kenneth Aggerholm

ii. Secretary Treasurer: Peter Hopsicker

- In a good place; investments are down, but we are in a long hall

iii. Journal Editor: Paul Gaffney

- Referenced distribution issues process.
- Metric link may be valuable
- Link for editing services
- Link for proposing special issue or section.

iv. Newsletter Editor: Christopher Yorke

- Continues to make newsletters roughly on schedule.

v. Webmaster: Sam Morris

- Traffic is up but not to pre-pandemic levels.
- Increase in social media presence. Some goals for next 12 months; looking at increasing content on websites.
- Will have some support from T&F.

b) Committee Reports

i. Conference Chair: Emily Ryall

- There is a need for a separate person in charge of virtual conference part. Need to consider adding a person to managing the conference program for just the virtual part.
- CVent is what we have now; discussion about adding Discord as a platform for the online version.
- Believes it is important to offer the virtual part of the conference, but there needs to be an additional person to monitor that segment of the conference.
- Discussion: Colleen, there is a lot of work, but access to resources to have the virtual part (the hardware), depends on site. It is a lot to put on the conference chair and the conference host. A separate person would be valuable to manage it.
- Javi: recommends a committee for this. Need for training to use all the parts of CVent; i.e., the Q&A part of CVent. Recommends a team that can learn the system and can monitor it during the conference. Each host site is going to be different, must be able to adapt to the technology present and available at that site. One person will not be able to do it.
- John Russell: Could we pay someone to do this stuff at a conference? Can we hire out for an IT person? The key organizers should be able to be free to do other things rather than run around and deal with the virtual IT issues.
- Peter Hopsicker: could the conference host put in the host application the manner in which they will deal with the virtual aspect and make a proposal to HAFS for approval? Char said similar sentiment.
- Matija: looking to hire a firm to deal with IT issues, but this was before pandemic and before virtual conference was part of the “normal” conference. Matija will consult with his host people and see what can be done and if there are costs.
- Adam Pf: HAFS already exists to look into this; no need for a new committee (as Kenneth has suggested). Emily was going to say the same thing. CVent is a good platform, but need to determine with next conference host what platform they want to use (or not).
- Colleen: Where does the money come from? Conference grant? Extra money? What if it costs another \$10,000? There will be a tradeoff if the cost is high.

- Sandra: Thank you for the effort. It is a strategic decision to do a hybrid conference. Is this the way to go or should we only do one or the other? We are all learning.
 - HAFS committee will work with Matjia and Char to move forward.
- ii. Elections: Chad Carlson
- iii. Honors, Awards, and Future Sites: Adam Pflieger/Berg (Chair)
- Two sites lined up right now; looking for a third; would like to have three years out.
 - 11 graduate students with grants
 - 7 submissions for Kretchmar awards.
 - Presentation of awards:
 - Student travel awardees stand up.
 - Lukas Mares Kretchmar award winner.
 - 2021/2022 Heather Reid Awards presented (Sailors/Ryall)
 - 2021/2022 Warren Fraleigh Distinguished Scholar Award (Jesus/Hochstetler)
 - Next year (2023) winner is Ivo Jirasek.

5. New Business

a) Update from 2022 Executive Council Meeting

- i. Seeking to develop a IAPS grant proposal process.
- Those representing IAPS at other conferences (FISP, ISCEP)
 - Those who need funding to complete projects that advance sports philosophy
- ii. Proposal to support joint IAPS/BPSA membership: work in progress; ongoing discussions.
- iii. Publishing IAPS Discord server with the intention of promoting discussion and online forum. Heading by Chris Yorke.
- Allows to open an online platform for intellectual community.
 - Welcome to come on board; use server to communicate; share research.
 - Looking to open up “works in progress” seminar series (modeled after BPSA model). Looking for 12 speakers.
 - Looking to have a more perpetual intellectual community, ongoing fashion.
 - Kenneth: should not interfere or replace any existing communication services.

- Shawn Klein: will the server be open to anyone or just the membership? CY: will be gated; will have levels of access to specific types of information. Most valuable/useful information will be gated and only open to membership/exec.
- iv. Discussion about diversity, equality and inclusion (DEI). Looking to form a committee to that end. Colleen and Adam Berg will lead that committee.
- Adam: form a committee to form a committee; goal is to have committee formed before next year's conference. Looking to see if there are places where we can improve with DEI.
 - Need help; requesting additional volunteers to support this initiative, including diverse representation.
 - We need everyone's help/buy-in. Adam encourages everyone to think about how IAPS can improve in this space.
 - Email invite will be forthcoming.
- v. Video material from conferences. What to do with them?
- Agreed to publish those on YouTube and have links to our website. Webmaster duties.
 - Permission will be requested from speakers.
- vi. HAFS is now actively searching for applications to host IAPS.
- If you have any interest, please reach out to Adam Pfliegor.
 - We will have a call for nomination for distinguished scholar and other awards in near future.

b) IAPS 2023 Conference

- i. Matija presented Split, Croatia, September 19 to 22, 2023.

6. Other Business

- a) Any other business for the good of the order?

Adjournment: 1 :23pm

President's Report

Kenneth Aggerholm (kennetha@nih.no)

It is my pleasure to report that the past year has been a successful one for our organization. We began with a wonderful gathering at Penn State to celebrate our 50th anniversary, organized perfectly by Javier Lopez Frias and Colleen English. In addition to the rich academic program, we had constructive discussions about organizational matters that have guided our work throughout the year.

One of the exciting developments of the year has been the formation of our new DEIB (Diversity, Equity, Inclusion, and Belonging) committee. We will consider the proposed amendment to the constitution at our Annual General Meeting in Split. This new advisory capacity is an important consolidation of our shared aim to maintain and strengthen IAPS as a welcoming and inclusive academic community.

We have also made progress in our policies concerning financial support for members representing IAPS and promoting the philosophy of sport. It is wonderful to see members representing IAPS and advancing the discipline of sport philosophy in various ways. To make the process related to financial support more transparent and streamlined, the HAFS committee has formulated a firm policy to formalize the procedures. This will be voted on during our AGM in Split.

Another highlight of the past year was the inauguration of a new Associação de Filosofia do Desporto de Língua Portuguesa - AFDLP (Association for the Philosophy of Sport in the Portuguese Language). It was initiated by Constantino Pereira Martins, Luísa Ávila da Costa, Marcus Campos, and Odilon José Roble, and it aims to preserve and stimulate philosophical thinking on sports in the Portuguese language. AFDLP is a most welcome addition to the family of sport philosophical societies, contributing to the continuing growth of our field.

Looking ahead, IAPS will be present at the next World Congress of Philosophy in Rome in August 2024. There will be a thematic session dedicated to the philosophy of sport, with several IAPS members serving as chairs. In addition, we will organize a sport philosophy symposium in collaboration with BPSA and EAPS. I hope that many members will seize this opportunity to showcase our field of study and engage in discussions with philosophers who would not usually attend sport philosophy conferences.

Following this year's elections, there are some changes in the executive board. I want to welcome the incoming officers: Irena Martinkova (President), Filip Kobiela (HAFS Committee member), Nina Windgätter and Steffen Borge (members-at-large), and Lukas Mares (Newsletter Editor). I also want to thank all executives who have served during the last

year, especially the outgoing officers (Joseph Lewandowski, Leslie Francis, Noora Ronkainen and Christopher Yorke) for their dedicated work for IAPS.

Our organization is currently in good standing, as our memberships have reached a ten-year high, and we have a very strong financial situation. This success can largely be attributed to the great work of our secretary-treasurer, Peter Hopsicker. Additionally, I would like to acknowledge the tireless efforts of JPS editor Paul Gaffney, who has worked diligently to uphold the high standards of our journal.

Our conference schedule has also recovered from the pandemic. This year, we will finally go to Split, and next year, the 2024 conference will take place in Nova Scotia. I want to thank the conference hosts, Matija Škerbić and Charlene Weaving, for their flexibility and patience, and a special thanks to our Conference Chair, Emily Ryall, and the HAFS committee for their flexibility in steering us through the changes caused by the pandemic.

Finally, as my tenure as the President of IAPS ends, I would like to thank all members for their support. Serving in this role has been a pleasure and an honor. I am confident that our association is in great shape and has a bright future under the competent leadership of incoming President Irena Martinkova.

Sincerely,

Kenneth Aggerholm

Secretary-Treasurer's Report

Peter Hopsicker (pmh12@psu.edu)

Summary

1. Our membership is at a ten-year high! Membership revenue nets us about \$10,000 each calendar year. Demographics have shifted slightly, although this is usually dependent on conference location. The United States, Japan, Canada, and the United Kingdom account for over half of our membership.
2. IAPS remains in good fiscal health. Please note that the expenses listed below do not include most of this year's conference expenses including travel grants (\$15,000) and speaker/award/executive reimbursement (~\$15,000).
3. Our investments are up \$7,150 over last year and roughly \$18,000 over the initial investment of \$100,000 in 2017. In August of 2021, we were at our highpoint of \$128,000. We are still recovering from the recent economic downturn, but there is no indication we should change our investment strategy.
4. I continue to work with a group of scholars seeking to create a new kinesiology federation.
5. The IAPS Student Travel Fund receives minimal donations. Perhaps a discussion is in order. You can donate at any time [here](#).
6. Remember that IAPS memberships are on a calendar year. You can purchase your 2024 IAPS membership after November 1, 2023. If you are a member in good standing, you should receive an automatic email reminder. You can access the membership portal here: [IAPS Membership Portal](#). Through the portal, you can also make any changes in address, email, or other contact information.

IAPS Memberships

2023 Memberships

Standard	123
Sustaining	25
Student w/o Journal	27
Student w/ Journal	14
Emeritus	10
Subsidized	6

Total 2023 Membership 211

Historical Membership Totals

2014 Membership = 141 Natal, Brazil
2015 Membership = 163 Cardiff, Wales
2016 Membership = 170 Olympia, Greece
2017 Membership = 169 Whistler, British Columbia
2018 Membership = 204 Oslo, Norway
2019 Membership = 182 Kyoto, Japan
2020 Membership = 150 None, Pandemic
2021 Membership = 169 Virtual
2022 Membership = 174 State College, Pennsylvania, USA

IAPS Membership Diversity

Australia	4	Israel	1
Belgium	2	Italy	3
Brazil	5	Jamaica	0
Brunei Darussalam	0	Japan	18
Bulgaria	0	Netherlands	6
Canada	16	New Zealand	1
China	2	Norway	7
Columbia	0	Poland	2
Croatia	2	Portugal	4
Czech Republic	7	Serbia	5
Denmark	8	Slovenia	4
Finland	1	South Africa	1
France	1	South Korea	1
Germany	4	Spain	5
Greece	1	Sweden	2
Hong Kong (SAR China)	1	Switzerland	2
Hungary	0	Taiwan	3
India	1	United Kingdom	14
Ireland	1	United States	70

44% North America; 41% Europe; 14% Asia; 3% Australia; 3% South America; 1% Africa.

IAPS 2023 Budget

<u>Income</u>		\$59,110.85
Memberships and Student Travel Donations		\$7,713.92
Routledge Royalties		\$49,629.22
PayPal Account		\$1,767.71
<u>Investments</u>		
Investment Balance		\$118,278.68
<u>Expenses</u>		\$22,173.90
Conference Expenses		\$8,380.50*
Legal Fees (Investment, LLC, Inc.)		\$264.92
Online Membership/Website (CVent)		\$8,211.69
Bank Service Charges (international wires)		\$228.00
Other expenses		\$5,088.79
<u>Totals</u>		
Total Cash (M&T Bank)	\$255,937.70	
Total Cash (PayPal)	\$1,767.71	
Total Investments	\$118,278.68	
Grand total	\$375,984.09	

* Does not include most of the 2023 IAPS conference expenses.

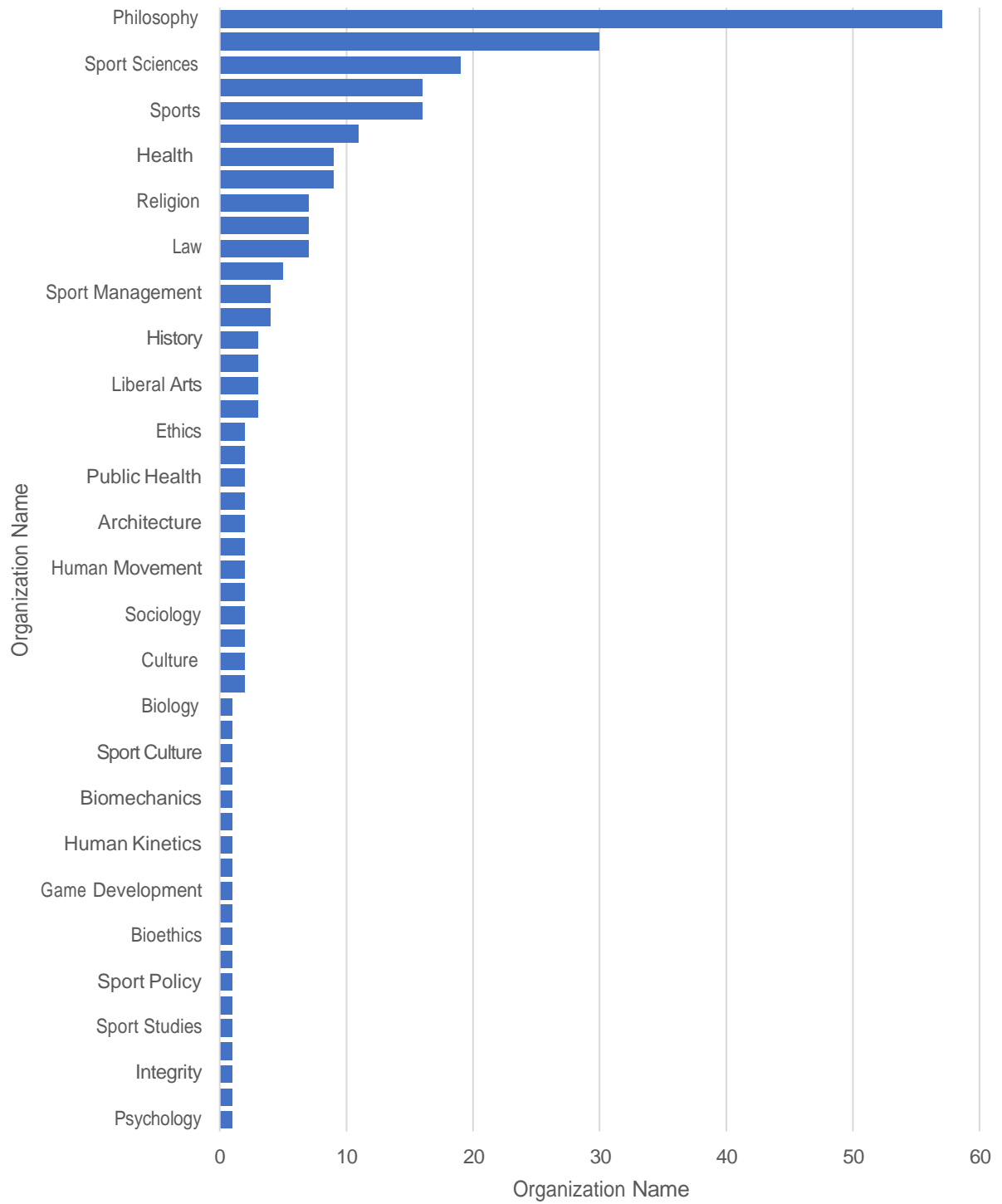
Department Affiliation

Thank you for your help with my survey seeking to determine where philosophy of sport is organizational located at your institutions, as well as to determine who in our membership is affiliated with institutions other than higher education. Below are the results. I will present these data at the 2023 AGM, provide an explanation of how I arrived at this data, and answer any questions you may have. We will continue to require “department” affiliation as part of the membership process.

Organization Name	Count of Organization Name	Organization Name	Count of Organization Name
Philosophy	57	Philosophy	22.27%
Kinesiology	30	Kinesiology	11.72%
Sport Sciences	19	Sport Sciences	7.42%
Physical Education	16	Physical Education	6.25%
Sports	16	Sports	6.25%
Social Sciences	11	Social Sciences	4.30%
Health	9	Health	3.52%
Education	9	Education	3.52%
Religion	7	Religion	2.73%
Humanities	7	Humanities	2.73%
Law	7	Law	2.73%
Sport Ethics	5	Sport Ethics	1.95%
Sport Management	4	Sport Management	1.56%
Pedagogy	4	Pedagogy	1.56%
History	3	History	1.17%
Exercise Science	3	Exercise Science	1.17%
Liberal Arts	3	Liberal Arts	1.17%
Management	3	Management	1.17%
Ethics	2	Ethics	0.78%
Sport Medicine	2	Sport Medicine	0.78%
Public Health	2	Public Health	0.78%
Cognitive Sciences	2	Cognitive Sciences	0.78%
Architecture	2	Architecture	0.78%
Aesthetics	2	Aesthetics	0.78%
Human Movement	2	Human Movement	0.78%
Movement	2	Movement	0.78%
Sociology	2	Sociology	0.78%
Outdoor Studies	2	Outdoor Studies	0.78%
Culture	2	Culture	0.78%
Political Science	2	Political Science	0.78%
Biology	1	Biology	0.39%

Sport Leadership	1	Sport Leadership	0.39%
Sport Culture	1	Sport Culture	0.39%
Military University	1	Military University	0.39%
Biomechanics	1	Biomechanics	0.39%
Youth Sports		Youth Sports	
Development	1	Development	0.39%
Human Kinetics	1	Human Kinetics	0.39%
Business	1	Business	0.39%
Game		Game	
Development	1	Development	0.39%
Occupational		Occupational	
Sciences	1	Sciences	0.39%
Bioethics	1	Bioethics	0.39%
Rehabilitation	1	Rehabilitation	0.39%
Sport Policy	1	Sport Policy	0.39%
Athlete	1	Athlete	0.39%
Sport Studies	1	Sport Studies	0.39%
First Year College	1	First Year College	0.39%
Integrity	1	Integrity	0.39%
Coach	1	Coach	0.39%
Psychology	1	Psychology	0.39%
Grand Total	256	Grand Total	100.00%

'Organization Name': **Philosophy** appears most often.



JPS Editor's Report

Paul Gaffney (gaffneyp@stjohns.edu)

Submissions

In years past, the Editor's Report to IAPS membership always presented submission statistics for the 12-month period between IAPS meetings (roughly September-August) but three years ago I started issuing calendar year-end reports covering the period January to December. A calendar year-end report is much more intelligible and accurate with respect to statistical trends, demographics analyses, and important journal measurements, such as articles Downloads and Citations, Acceptance rate, Submissions and Re-Submissions, Impact Factor, and Altimetric statistics, among other important indicators.

For comparison, I provide a summary of our submissions/publications in the few past calendar years:

2023: 84 new submissions so far, a total that includes five invited Book Reviews. At this pace we will have about 110 new submissions for the calendar year, as high or higher than any past calendar year.

Volume 50 (in progress): 19 articles; 4 Book Reviews

2022: 79 new submissions between January—December 2022.

Volume 49: 24 articles; a total that includes one Fraleigh lecture (Douglas Hochstetler); in addition, six invited Book Reviews

2021: 102 new submissions between January—December 2021.

Volume 48: 32 articles, a total that includes thirteen invited Special Issue articles ("C. Thi Nguyen's *Games: Agency as Art*, JPS 48-03); in addition, five invited Book Reviews.

2020: 107 new submissions between January—December 2020.

Volume 47: 26 articles, a total that includes one Fraleigh lecture (Pam R. Sailors) and seven invited Special Section articles ("Ancient Philosophy of Sport," JPS 47-03); in addition, six invited Book Reviews.

2019: 88 new submissions between January—December 2019.

Volume 46: 27 articles published, a total that includes one Fraleigh lecture (Carwyn Jones) and eleven invited Special Issue articles ("Emotion in Sport and Games," JPS 46-02); in addition, five invited Book Reviews)

Changes to the Editorial Board

There have been some changes in the last 12 months. We have welcomed three new members: Irena Martínková; S.P. Morris; and Xiaolin Zhang.

Distribution Issues

Occasionally I learn that members have not received their print issues in the mail. When that happens, contact me; please do not attempt to resolve this directly with Taylor & Francis. The first thing we will check is your IAPS membership status. If your dues are all paid up, I will then contact the person at T/F who helps with this, and we will get the missing copies mailed out. In the past we have always been able to get members their missing issues, although admittedly it sometimes takes a while.

Special Sections and Special Issues

We published a Special Issue in November 2021 (JPS 48-03), guest edited by Christopher C. Yorke and J.S. Russell. This Special Issue focused on C. Thi Nguyen's *Games: Agency as Art* and included eleven articles by Chris Bartel, Adrian Currie, Luca Ferrero, William Morgan, Stephanie Patridge, Antonia Peacocke, Jon Pike, Michael Ridge, Emily Ryall, J.S. Russell, and Daniel Vella. Christopher C. Yorke wrote an Introductory article, and C. Thi Nguyen wrote a Response article.

We have two Special Issues planned in the next two years.

****July 2024: "Nature Sports," guest-edited by Kevin Krein.** In July 2024 we will publish a Special Issue on Nature Sports, which will be a full issue comprising approximately 16 new articles. The Call for Papers for this Issue went out in the Fall 2022 and editorial decisions were made in Spring 2023, so participating authors have been notified and writing is in process.

****July 2025: "The Sport Philosophy of John Russell," edited by Paul Gaffney.** In July 2025 we will publish a Special Issue on the Sport Philosophy of John Russell, which will be a full issue comprising approximately 14-16 new articles, plus a response article from John Russell. This Special Issue is in the planning stages; we anticipate that a Call for Papers will go out in Fall 2023.

JPS Policy for Special Issues and Special Sections

A few years ago, at the IAPS conference in Kyoto, the JPS Editorial Board agreed that Special Section/Special Issue proposals should go through a formal evaluation process by the full Editorial Board, typically at the IAPS conference meeting although possibly at different times during the year, depending on the circumstances of the proposal and the publication schedule. There is a link on the JPS website with information about how to submit proposals for Special Sections and Special Issues. In response to some suggestions by JPS Editorial Board members, the original link was revised to include as part of every Special Section/Special Issue proposal a limited Call for Papers to consider contributions from as many authors as possible. We hope that this practice will make the process more open and inclusive.

Editing Services Offered by Taylor & Francis

There is an “Editing Services” link under the “Submit Your Article” link on the JPS webpage. Here is what they offer:

“Do you need help preparing your manuscript for submission to a journal and then promoting your published article to a wider audience? Taylor & Francis offers a full range of services to take care of tidying up your manuscript and maximizing impact so you can devote time to your research.”

- English Language Editing
- Scientific Editing
- Manuscript Formatting
- Rapid Technical Review
- Research Communication Services
- Translation with Editing

Journal Metrics

As you have noticed there is also a new link of the JPS website that provides up-to-date and valuable information about the journal’s performance in terms of its Usage (downloads/views), Impact Factor, Cite Score, Acceptance Rate (currently 28%), Time in Review, and other measures. All terms are explained on the webpage. Journal Metrics can be used to provide hard evidence of the journal’s performance and prestige in the academic world and is always available to JPS subscribers.

Journal Metrics Highlights

- **Downloads/Views:** This is perhaps the surest indication of our impact and presence in the scholarly world. We measure the total number of times articles in the journal were viewed by users of Taylor & Francis Online in the previous calendar year, rounded to the nearest thousand. Note that from the year 2019 to 2022 our download/view numbers increased by 174%
 - **Total Downloads**
 - 2022: 119,000
 - 2021: 107,000
 - 2020: 65,000
 - 2019: 43,000
- **Altmetrics Report:** Reports on the journal's "alternative metrics" such as social media mentions, news and blog mentions, and much more, which can demonstrate the real-world impact of the *Journal of the Philosophy of Sport*.
 - In the past 12 months *Journal of the Philosophy of Sport* was mentioned **1591** times on social media, such as Twitter, Facebook, and LinkedIn.
 - In the past 12 months *Journal of the Philosophy of Sport* was mentioned **93** times on news outlets and blogs.
- **Impact Factor:** The average number of citations received by articles published in the journal within a two-year window.
 - .700

- Five Year Impact Factor: the average number of citations received by articles in the journal within a five-year window.
 - 1.10

- Speed/Acceptance
 - 31 days average from submission to first decision
 - 49 days average from submission to first post-review decision
 - 15 days average from acceptance to online publication

- Acceptance rate
 - 2021: 36%

Newsletter Editor's Report

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(Not submitted)

Website Editor's Report

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Website

Website traffic from September 2022 through August 2023 has been mostly consistently with previous years. As in previous years, the month of March saw the highest traffic.

Below are several visual representations of our traffic data:

Monthly:



Yearly:



Over the past year, I have maintained the website and performed a few minor updates to enhance the navigability of the site and its organization. In the future, the organization may want to consider if WordPress is still the best way to manage the website—there may be easier-to-use or more flexible options. WordPress is often significantly impaired, presumably by site maintenance. For example, I am often unable to edit our site because the host is down, pages will not load, pages will not save, et cetera. In many cases, edits that I make to the site simply do not update and I have to try again at a later time to make edits. This is painstaking and annoying, but probably does not warrant a changing hosts. This paragraph was not altered in any way from the 2022 report.

Below is a graphic, with accompanying data, on where our views are coming from, geographically (not an exhaustive list):



Social Media

IAPS currently has 924 Twitter followers, up from 905 in 2022 and 865 in 2021. IAPS Twitter activity is typically steady throughout the year, with the most significant activity in September, during the annual conference. In general, Twitter is a useful tool that seems to reach a significant number of users, many of whom are not members of the organization. IAPS has both a Facebook Page and Facebook Group. The page currently has 292 followers. That is up from 263 in September of 2022. Posting on the page is limited to the administrator (me) and most posts convey information about the conference or the organization. The posts typically reach between 100-200 people, though at times the reach extends to 300-400. Neither the Facebook Page or Group is very active.

Social media could likely be leveraged more for the organization, as a way to promote the conference and Journal and to recruit new members. In 2023 I also recorded three podcast-style conversations for the IAPS YouTube page. The conversations were with Bill Morgan, Scott Kretchmar, and Pam Sailors and the can all be viewed here:

<https://tinyurl.com/2yjn2sem>. I expect to continue this practice going forward.

Conference Chair's Report

Emily Ryall – (eryall@glos.ac.uk)

Conference 2023 – Huge thanks to Matija Mato Škerbić for his hard work in organising this year's conference. It has had its own challenges which have required significant time and effort in resolving. The popularity of this year's conference (arguably due to its glorious location) originally saw nearly 150 papers submitted which increased the workload in correspondence and administration. Unfortunately, there were significant issues caused by changes in senior management at the University of Zagreb which hindered financial and administrative sign off and delayed processes, including the set-up of the website and registration. This had a knock-on effect on the processes for conference payment. The conference payment procedures proved complicated and difficult for many attendees, and this is something that ought to be discussed in the Executive meeting and AGM to ensure that payment processes are as smooth as possible for future conferences. Finally, additional thought needs to go into the provision of virtual sessions for remote participants and the registration costs for attendees. There was initially some confusion over the fee for remote attendees and this meant that some individuals dropped out altogether. Again, some discussion over what provision is expected and a guidance to costs and registration fees would be useful for future hosts.

Student Essay Prize – We received ten submissions for the Kretchmar Student Essay Prize, covering a diverse range of topics, from geographically various locations, and of extremely high quality:

- i. *****Winner*** Yaneí Lezama (KU Leuven) - When "Higher, Faster, Stronger" Implies Harm. Ethically characterizing violence in elite sport**
- ii. Alan Oldham (University of Western Ontario) – Scales of Ignorance: an ethical framework to justify acceptable risk in sport classification regimes
- iii. Alexander Pho (University of Wisconsin-Madison - A Preliminary Confucian Assessment of the Ethics of Sport Category Eligibility Criteria Vis-à-vis Transwomen Athletes
- iv. Daniel Hague (University College London (UCL)) - Two Concepts of Rules in Sport
- v. Dylan Williams (Fort Lewis College) - Layered Conventional Theory of Sport
- vi. Gordan Birse (Swansea University) - Ready, Player Two? Joint action and the limitations of methodological individualism about sport
- vii. Nelson Morales (Western Ontario University) - The coach-young athlete relationship and doping: institutional paternalism and exploitation
- viii. Pavel Gregory Krippa (KU Leuven) - To what extent is a harm-reduction doping proposal ethically justifiable?
- ix. Rafael Mendoza Gonzalez (University of Rome "Foro Italico") - Football for good? Analyzing the initiatives that aim to foster the "good game"
- x. Vid Kučko (University of Zagreb) - The Implementation of The Challenge System in Football

Congratulations Yaneí! And commendations to all the others. It is great to see so many students present their work at our conference and we would encourage all to develop their work further for publication.

Abstract Submission Process – We have used EasyChair for the submission of abstracts for at least the past five years, if not longer. However, this year we ended up being locked out of the system as it seems to have changed to a payment model. We then had to quickly pay \$1098 to be able to access the system and the submitted abstracts. In my time as conference Chair, EasyChair has always been free to use and this payment felt like we were being held hostage as all the abstracts and author information were being stored on its system with no way of accessing it. Personally, I have never been particularly fond of EasyChair nor found it easy to use. We also have not used, or needed to use, the full functionality that EasyChair offers. I would like to propose to move away from EasyChair for future years and that this forms part of the discussion at the Exec and AGM.

Elections Chair's Report

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Thanks to all who voted in the recent election last month. Special thanks for Adam Pflieger and Peter Hopsicker for the extra efforts they put into this, due to my personal situation. And thanks to all of the nominees, great to feel your commitment! Each open position had only a single nominee, in which case we follow the IAPS Constitution requiring a two-thirds majority of those voting to present the nominee for ratification. Each of the candidates for these open positions garnered more than two-thirds of the votes.

Congratulations to those being presented for ratification!

IAPS President - Irena Martinkova

Member of the Honors, Awards, and Future Sites (HAFS) Committee - Filip Kobiela

Two new Members at Large - Nina Windgatter & Steffen Borge

Newsletter Editor - Lukas Mares

The winners of the Warren Fraleigh Distinguished Scholar Award and the Heather Reid Distinguished Service Award will be announced at the AGM.

The next call for nominations will be in the March 2023 IAPS Newsletter. Please consider being a part of this process in some way.

Honors, Awards, and Future Sites Committee's Report

Chair: Adam Pfleegor (apfleegor@siena.edu)

Committee: Eric Moore, Noora Ronkainen

Site Hosting Submissions

The September 2024 conference is scheduled for Nova Scotia, Canada with Charlene Weaving acting as conference host.

Additional call for proposals was made for in July 2023. To date, we have received one firm/completed proposal to host the 2025 conference which has been evaluated by the HAFS committee. In addition, we are actively working with a potential 2026 host on preparing a bid document.

Warren Fraleigh Distinguished Scholars Award

HAFS nominated – Jeffrey P. Fry (Ball State University)

From the nomination letter: “Professor Fry has been an important, prolific, and diverse contributor to philosophy of sport over the last 25 years. Recently, he has published a series of articles and co-edited a volume of essays (with Mike McNamee) that has pioneered investigations into sport and neurophilosophy, using resources from neuroscience, cognitive science, and philosophy of mind and action. He has written extensively about emotions in sport and about a wide range of ethical issues in sport, including ethical issues in coaching, duties to try one’s hardest, sport as a kingdom of ends, moral luck, redemption in sport, self-esteem, and most recently he has contributed to and co-edited (with Andrew Edgar) a volume focusing on ethical issues the pandemic presented for sport. He has also used philosophical resources and often resources from neuroscience to write about familiar phenomena in sport, such as injuries, choking under pressure, comebacks, and different types of naivety in sport. A characteristic of nearly all of Professor Fry’s work is that it has identified new topics in philosophy of sport and in so doing has broadened the ambit of the discipline and begun new discourses.”

Heather Reid Distinguished Service Award

HAFS nominated – Paul Gaffney (St. John’s University)

A longstanding IAPS member and member of the executive committee, Paul currently serves as the editor for the Journal of the Philosophy of Sport. In his time as the editor, Paul the journal has made tremendous strides in terms of content (both quality and quantity). In addition, he has overseen the transition of the journal’s publisher and renegotiated our publication contracts to help maintain IAPS in a strong financial position.

R. Scott Kretchmar Student Essay Award

Yanei Lazana, When Higher, Faster, and Stronger Implies Harm: Ethically Characterizing Violence in Elite Sport. In total, we received 11 submissions this year.

IAPS Student Travel Award

17 students will receive the award for travel to the 2023 conference in Split, Croatia.

Financial Policy Proposal

The HAFS committee worked to present a proposal for a formal policy on financial requests by members to the organizations. Following comments from the executive committee, a final amended version was resubmitted in July 2023. The policy, if approved by the executive committee, will formalize the process, procedures, amounts, and dates for requesting funds from IAPS.