

# IASPM Treasurer/Membership Secretary Report 1999-2001

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## Financial Report

### Notes

- 1) The period covered by this report is from 31 May 1999 to the present day. 31 May 1999 is the date up to which the last treasurer's report, by Dave Hesmondhalgh, covers. The rationale for not stopping this report at 31 May 2001 is first, so that members are presented with a continuous record of income and expenditure since the last treasurer's report. Second, subscription requests were sent out very late this year, resulting in more income arriving in June than usual.
- 2) IASPM runs two accounts – a main dollar account and a subsidiary sterling account. The keeping open of the sterling account is a requirement of the dollar account. However, it has also proved useful at points as a means of paying expenses, to myself and through myself to others, with fewer transaction and exchange charges. The dollar and sterling accounts are presented separately. With a few exceptions, all subscriptions have been paid in dollars.
- 3) Branch subscriptions are paid for the previous calendar year. Subscription requests are sent out in spring but often take several months to arrive from some branches. This figures on this report include payments made by various branches for every year from 1996 to 2000.

| <b>DOLLAR ACCOUNT</b>                 |                 | <b>STERLING ACCOUNT</b>         |               |
|---------------------------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>Income</b>                         |                 | <b>Income</b>                   |               |
| Branch subscriptions                  | 13988.75        | Branch subscriptions            | 299.24        |
| Subscriptions by individuals          | 66.06           | Subscriptions by individuals    | 6             |
| Interest                              | 577.42          | Transferred from Dollar Account | 500           |
| <b>Total Income</b>                   | <b>14632.23</b> | <b>Total Income</b>             | <b>805.24</b> |
| <b>Expenditure</b>                    |                 | <b>Expenditure</b>              |               |
| EC Travel expenses                    | 4914.91         | EC Travel expenses              | 390.51        |
| Other travel expenses                 | 500             | Misc Expenses                   | 122.61        |
| RPM + Website                         | 4944.11         | Bank charges                    | 42.8          |
| Bank charges <sup>1</sup> /tax        | 199.98          |                                 |               |
| Transferred to sterling account       | 739.27          |                                 |               |
| <b>Total Expenditure</b>              | <b>11298.27</b> | <b>Total Expenditure</b>        | <b>555.92</b> |
| <b>Income - Expenditure</b>           | <b>3333.96</b>  | <b>Income - Expenditure</b>     | <b>249.32</b> |
| <b>Updated balance (26 June 2001)</b> | <b>13796.40</b> |                                 | <b>330.14</b> |

Major expenditure to come includes travel expenses for the 2001 conference (likely to be in the region of 2000 dollars). We are awaiting subscriptions from a number of branches, including the US, whose subscriptions usually come to well in excess of 2000 dollars.

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<sup>1</sup> This figure does not include bank charges for cashing foreign checks and for making cash transfers abroad – the expenditure figures have these charges already deducted.

## **Membership**

### **Branch Members:**

Branches are supposed to send the executive committee their updated membership lists along with their subscriptions (paid a year in arrears). The figures below for each branch are based on the number of members of each branch in the IASPM database. Since not every branch is paid up for 2000 and since not all those that have sent updated membership lists, the figures should be seen as approximate.

Japan 60  
Australia/New Zealand 28  
Benelux 24  
Turkey 12  
USA 221  
Italy 12  
German speaking 13  
Spain 18  
Bulgaria 6  
Czech Republic 17  
Norden 49  
Slovenia 14  
Canada 33  
Latin America 80 (approx)  
United Kingdom 69

There is also a French branch in the process of formation.

Total number of branch members: 656

[NB: In his 1999 treasurer's report, Dave Hesmondhalgh estimated 520 fully paid up members worldwide]

### **Individual Members:**

There are 36 members from countries where no branch exists on the IASPM database. None of them are fully paid up now. There has never been a comprehensive system to deal with non-branch members in IASPM. At the start of my period in office I intended to institute a system whereby members were sent annual subscription requests. The problem with this system is that the costs of transferring subscriptions may exceed the costs of the subscription itself. Moreover, the executive committee's proposed changes to the statutes and membership fee structure have meant that it was not possible to send out subscription requests since the subscription fees were liable to change after the general meeting in Turku.

With regret therefore, I must pass on the issue of individual members to the next treasurer/membership secretary.