

## **IASPM Executive Committee Meeting Minutes**

**Date and time:** May 7, 2020, 12:00 pm UK time

**Location:** multiple places via Skype

**Participants:** Rupert Till, Beatriz Goubert, Bernhard Steinbrecher, Catherine Strong, Keewoong Lee, Simone Krüger, Andrea Dankić, Kimi Kärki,

### **1. CONFERENCE UPDATE**

- Call for papers is updated with COVID-19 information and will be released once the local committee has set up an official email address.
- AD will be the co-chair of the academic committee.
- The EC agrees to add our commitment to reduce the carbon footprint to the call for papers.
- Alternative conference model: in case the conference cannot be developed as usual, the EC committee considers an alternative model with a combination of live and online sessions and increased economic support for those who attend.
- The online sessions will be scheduled in local South Korea time.
- If the entire conference is online we need to discuss how much to charge.
- KL contacted Isabella Peck from Inter-Asian Conference to offer a travel grant; they are interested.

### **2. BUDGET UPDATE**

-SK reports that 5 branches still have to pay their duties (including Italy, Korea, Spain, South East Asia and New Zealand), and 8 have already paid. SK will upload to Dropbox balances of bank account and Paypal as well as an estimated budget. The IASPM budget allows the fellowships to the branches.

- The expenses of the budget include traveling to Korea and scholarships to local branches. The average cost of the trip to Korea for each of the EC members is about \$2,000 US dollars. IASPM also covers the trip of the journal's editor. Usually the members get financial support from their institutions so they do not use IASPM money to travel.

- BR suggests the end of June as the deadline for the branches to pay the fees, but the organization will be flexible with late payments.

### **3. MISCELLANEOUS**

- Scoups accepted IASPM Journal, and the journal doubled its editorial team. Being an open- access and indexed journal will position it as a leading publication in popular music studies.
- BS presents updated IASPM statistics: 11 branches, 1400 members, and 40 individual members.
- Ideas for new regional branches: African branch, Middle East perhaps. To be discussed next meeting