

Quality of Democracy

Venue: Madrid, IPSA Congress, School of pharmacy room Tutorial 23E

Date: Tuesday 10th July 2012

The meeting starts at 13.10.

Agenda

- ❖ Welcome and presentation
- ❖ Interim meeting in 2013: venue and topic; Interim meeting in 2014: venue and topic
- ❖ Web site
- ❖ Chair and executive committee members
- ❖ Other issues

Present as preregistered members

Marianne Kneuer; José Alvaro Moises; Daniela Piana; Luca Tomini; Jean Michel de Waele.

Marianne Kneuer recalls the key points of the workshop held on Sunday, 8th July, to launch the RC. She also summarizes the main things done over the last months, such as the web site, the mailing list – which needs to be constantly updated specially after this congress – and the organization of the panels hosted in Madrid at the world congress. She also mentions that during the workshop some flyers have been distributed.

José Alvaro Moises stresses that one point of the RC agenda is to aggregate methodological senses and dimensions.

Daniela Piana, drawing on the discussion that took place in the workshop, points to the need to go beyond the conception of one model of quality democracy.

Marianne Kneuer addresses the second point on the agenda, which is the organization of an interim meeting. The RC has already some proposals.

The RC decides to consider two options, not alternative, but possibly complementary. The first one is a meeting on measuring democracy and the second is a meeting to collect the finding of the research carried on so far on quality of democracy. The first meeting can take place in 2013 Germany or in Brussels – Jean Michel de Waele and Ramona Coman mentioned also this possibility. The second meeting can take place in 2014 in Sao Paulo. The RC agrees on asking Leonardo Morlino to give a key note speech at the first meeting.

The RC discusses the possibility to open up the meeting and to have publications based on the papers presented.

Marianne Kneuer suggests to see how many scholars involved in world-wide projects will accept the invitation to present their methodologies in the interim meeting and then open up the meeting accordingly.

The RC agrees.

Claudia Wiesner suggested to put on the RC agenda both qualitative and quantitative methods.

Both Marianne Kneuer and José Alvaro Moises agrees on endorsing a pluralistic view in the RC.

Marianne Kneuer addresses the third point : Web site

The RC agrees on having Marianne's assistant as contact person for the web site [Aileen Bolling]

And on sending individual and collective works to build a common data base.

Then the RC goes to the next point on the agenda.

Daniela Piana presents the candidacy of José Alvaro Moises as chair and of Marianne Kneuer as vice-chair.

Everybody agrees to have not written vote

Vote on the chair with the candidacy

Unanimously elected as chair José Alvaro Moises.

None against.

On the position of vice-chair, unanimously is elected Marianne Kneuer

On the position of secretary Unanimously is elected Daniela Piana.

Executive committee unanimously elected

Dr. Anna M. Sroka University of Warsaw Poland

Dr. Claudia Wiesner, Jyvaeskylae University (Finland) and Marburg University (Germany)

Dr. Rune Holmgaard Andersen, Institute of Government and Politics, University of Tartu (Estonia)

Dr Christiane de Paula Fundação Getulio Vargas FGV Brazil

Prof. Dr Jean Michel de Waele Université Libre de Bruxelles

Dr. Ramona Coman Université Libre de Bruxelles

Since no other points are raised by the public, the business meeting is over at 2.15 pm.