



WAAS Management Letter

The New WAAS Management Team

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SPECIAL ELECTIONS

NEW FELLOWS

Exactly two years ago WAAS made a historic transition when our Fellows adopted new Bylaws, elected a new Board and Officers, and set out to rebuild the Academy from the ground up with the highest vote count ever registered in WAAS elections and near unanimous support. Since then we have conducted four general elections, expanded our membership by about 100 new Fellows, dramatically increased the range of our programming and frequency of events, launched *Eruditio* Journal and reinstated the WAAS newsletter. Today the Academy is larger, more active and primed for accomplishment than at any time in recent decades.

This month we make another historic transition with the election of **Heitor Gurgulino de Souza** as our new President and **Winston Nagan** as the new Chairman of the Board, bringing in new leadership and widening our leadership base at the same time. Heitor brings to the Academy a very rich network of relationships in Latin America and in the global academic community that are vitally needed to expand WAAS' activities. Winston brings a strong background in organizational governance and leading edge ideas on global governance. Together they will strive to enhance the Academy's activities in the Americas. Meanwhile, as Honorary President, **Ivo Šlaus** has pledged to remain very active as he is now. While **Garry Jacobs** is stepping down as Chair of the Board this month, he will continue to perform the executive functions of CEO to ensure continuity of service to our Fellows and support for the expanding base of WAAS programs. Thus we view this transition not so much as a change of guard but rather as an expansion of the Academy's management team to handle the rapidly expanding agenda of WAAS activities.

Looking back two years it is remarkable how far we have come in reviving and growing the Academy. Yet this transition is only a modest beginning for WAAS. This Academy is only as strong as our members. The Fellows of the Academy represent an amazing range and depth of expertise as well as a very rich network of relationships with other individuals and like-minded organizations around the world. Our collective challenge now is to fully involve and engage our Fellows in the programs of the Academy and to activate as many links as possible in the chain of inter-organizational relationships in order to forge a global umbrella group of committed individuals and institutions capable of effective leadership in thought that leads to action.

WAAS Conferences

WAAS Programs

WAAS Publications

WAAS Centers

WAAS Partnerships

WORLD
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by World Academy of Art and Science

A five member team consisting of the four of us plus **Alberto Zucconi** has been authorized by the WAAS Board to establish the Consortium and represent the Academy on its Board. The Consortium has been registered as a non-profit corporation in California and we are now in the process of inviting a select group of Charter Member institutions to join the Board of Directors. Next year membership will be open to universities, research institutes and other organizations worldwide. Several major conferences are also being planned in Europe and other locations.

Heitor Gurgulino de Souza, Garry Jacobs, Winston Nagan & Ivo Šlaus

New President's Report

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Dear Colleagues,

I wish to express my deep appreciation to all of you for your vote of confidence.

It is indeed a great honor to be elected President of our Academy, but it is also a great challenge. WAAS is founded on the power of original and creative ideas and its motto is: **“Leadership in Thought that Leads to Action”**. As our founding fathers said over 50 years ago, the Academy should **“discuss the vital problems of mankind”**. They wished that WAAS would function as an informal **“World University”**. (A vision not possible at that time, but certainly more feasible today). And, they also said: *“the fundamental aim of the Academy is to rediscover the language of mutual understanding”;* looking for the *“true enemies of peace and try to fight them”*; dedicating itself to its objective – *“contribute in leading mankind to an era of true progress, true human welfare, and true happiness”*.

These are continuing to be big challenges that we must face well into the future.

Our President **Ivo Šlaus** and our Chairman **Garry Jacobs** have done really a remarkable work these last few years for WAAS, pursuing those permanent goals and in search of a “New Paradigm for World Development”. They have generously agreed to continue to devote their time and efforts, and their fantastic work, so we will now constitute an enlarged team, with myself and the new Chairman of the Board – **Winston Nagan**, our distinguished colleague who has been continually active in our Academy for many years.



Heitor Gurgulino de Souza

With the full support of our Board of Trustees, of all of our Fellows, including the new ones we have just elected, I firmly believe that our *motto* should be: **Continuity and Change** (if and when necessary). We should continue the current momentum, pursue the development of a “New Paradigm”; of a “World University Consortium (WUC)” and possibly, a “World Virtual University (WVU)”;

we should work more closely with similar organizations such as *Pugwash, Club of Rome, Club of Madrid, Academy for Cultural Diplomacy, The Nizami Ganjavi International Center, the UN* and possibly others, also with ones in developing countries, so our joint work will have much greater impact worldwide. We welcome your ideas and suggestions.

Thank you very much and let’s continue to work together.

Heitor Gurgulino de Souza
President Elect

Heitor Gurgulino de Souza, currently the President of the Brazilian Chapter of the Club of Rome, recently retired as Vice President of the Club. He was appointed to the Council of the United Nations University (UNU) in 1986 and was selected by the UN Secretary General as UNU’s Rector the following year. He served in Japan (1987-1991 and 1992-1997) in the truly global and interdisciplinary University, was a Special Advisor to the Director General of UNESCO (1988-1989) and Vice-Rector of UNILEGIS, of Brazil’s Federal Senate.

He worked for 16 years as Rector of the Federal University of São Carlos, S. Paulo, and as Director of the Department of University Affairs in the Ministry of Education, Director of the National Research Council (CNPq) and, by Presidential appointment, was a Member of the Federal Council of Education, both in Brasilia. Earlier he was Professor Emeritus of Physics at the State University of São Paulo, Brazil, and conducted research work in the Department of Physics at the Universities of Kansas (USA) and S. Paulo, and worked in the Department of Scientific Affairs at the Organization of American States in Washington, DC (USA) and helped set up its large Regional Programs of Science and Technology. Heitor was nominated to WAAS by former President **Harlan Cleveland**.

New Chairman's Report

I address this short statement to the Fellows and the Board of Trustees as the newly elected Chairman of the Board. Since I was one of our concerned trustees, particularly committed to a determined advance of the presence of WAAS in the global affairs of our time, you can be assured that it is my intention to maintain and enhance the progress WAAS has made under the leadership of **Ivo Šlaus** and **Garry Jacobs**. We have shared a similar vision about the role of WAAS and how we might improve its capacity to meaningfully influence global policy-making on a range of problems that are important to the Academy and its Fellows. The enormous progress we have made only scratches the surface of our global potential. There is a great deal of unfinished business as well as many new issues that we will encounter in the future which will require optimal involvement of all of the talented Fellows in the Academy. We have already set major initiatives in motion which require forging partnerships with major fraternal global allies such as the *Club of Rome*, *Pugwash*, the *Club of Madrid* and an expanding range of academic institutions. Among the major challenges that we will soon confront are the responsibilities we have assumed for leadership in global higher education, a new paradigm for the global rule of law and global governance. Additionally, we have been teasing out the idea of new paradigms of thinking with regard to new economics, the problems of global unemployment, the issues of global security, the rational control and regulation and possible abolishment of weapons of mass destruction,



Winston P. Nagan

climate change, the science of networks and scientific complexity and a good deal more. It is obvious that our current agenda and its future development will require optimal involvement of all of the talented Fellows of the Academy. I believe I speak for Heitor and myself when I say that it is our firm intention to continue the progress that has been made already under the leadership of **Ivo Šlaus** and **Garry Jacobs**. Finally, I would like to stress how important it is for you to contribute to our ongoing journals, *Cadmus* and *Eruditio*. Permit me also to thank the Board of Trustees for their confidence in electing me as Chairman of the Board.

Winston P. Nagan
Chair Elect of the Board of Trustees

Winston Nagan is the Sam T. Dell Research Scholar, Professor of Law, University of Florida, Levin College of Law, Gainesville, Florida, Founding Director, Institute for Human Rights, Peace and Development and Fellow, Royal Society of the Arts. A member of the Editorial Board of *Cadmus* Journal, Winston Nagan is the Editor-in-Chief of *Eruditio*, the Academy's e-journal.

He served as Chairman of the Board of Amnesty International USA (1989-91) and as a member of the Board (1986-92). He also served as President of Policy Sciences Center, Yale Law School (1986-1991) and on numerous groups of international experts on issues related to human rights, biodiversity, indigenous rights, and traditional knowledge. Winston Nagan is an alumnus of the University of South Africa (Fort Hare), where he did his B.A (Law), Brasenose college, Oxford, where he got an M.A (Juris), Duke School of Law where he did an LL.M. and later Yale School of Law, where he obtained his Doctorate degree in law under the direction of senior Fellows of the World Academy. He is a co-founder of the Human Rights and Peace Centre in Makerere, Uganda, and an Abogado Defensor of the Shuar Nation of the Amazon. He served for a short period as a High Court Judge in South Africa.

Honorary President's Report

My dear Fellows of WAAS, dear friends,

Many thanks to all of you and each one of you for making our World Academy active and relevant in a global interconnected world. The Dickensian phrase *"This is the worst of times, this is the best of times"* indeed characterizes the last three years of the Academy. Three years ago we were close to complete inactivity and irrelevance. There was a danger that our Academy could split into two or more academies (e.g. there are three European Academies) and we were going in a direction that was contrary to the true mission of WAAS. You all made it the best of times! To be a Fellow of WAAS is a great honor and an opportunity to contribute to the welfare of humankind. We are all proud of being Fellows of WAAS and we hope we are fulfilling the vision of our founding fathers.

My term as your president ends on November 30, 2013, since my eight-year term as a member of the Board of Trustees terminates. I want to thank you all for your support, for your activities, for your initiatives and for your devotion to our Academy. You assured that The World Academy of Art and Science (WAAS) is a unique global Academy contributing to the human security and welfare of our interconnected global civilization, actively enhancing human and social capitals.

We initiated many tasks, but many are unfinished. Allow me to share with you some of my thoughts. Unfinished tasks are underlined. Article III of our Bylaws stresses: *"The objective and purpose of WAAS are to contribute to the progress of global civilization, human welfare, evolution of global governance, peace, sustainable development and the realization of human dignity...."*

Contemporary world has significantly changed. It is very, very different from even hundred years ago! Challenges and opportunities facing the contemporary world require a new paradigm – implying changes in the thinking of people – leadership in thought that leads to action! **Aurelio Peccei**, founder of *The Club of Rome*, wrote: *"The greatest obstacles are individual and social inner limits – psychological, cultural and political, expressed through personal and collective myopia, irresponsibility and incorrect governance... The most valuable assets humankind can count on....to stop the decline and to prepare for the future are to be found in the still untapped resources of comprehension, vision and creativity....inherent in every human being."*

Realization of these tasks involves scientific research, education and political actions; it will be facilitated, indeed it demands (as our President **Heitor Gurgulino de Souza** wrote in *Cadmus* in April 2011) an united action of many organizations, such as Nobel Peace Prize winners: *Pugwash and International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War, The Club of Rome, Club of Madrid, Green Peace International, Inter-Academy Panel, ALLEA, European*



Ivo Šlaus

Leadership Network, Cultura de Paz, Campaign for the Establishment of the UN Parliamentary Assembly as well as National Academies, International Research Centers, Universities and Associations of Universities. WAAS is already collaborating with more than 50% of these organizations. Endeavors to form harmonious joint action will be developed in Podgorica, Barcelona and Baku in 2014.

WAAS has applied for IAP/IAMP Membership. WAAS became a member of *IAMP*, and already cosigned **"A Joint IAP/IAMP Statement: Antimicrobial Resistance: A Call for Action"** (also published in *The Lancet*). The process of WAAS becoming an IAP member is in progress. While *ALLEA* and *IAP/IAMP* are associations of academies and therefore they are strongly interrelated with national academies, WAAS is the academy of individuals. Nevertheless, it is prudent for WAAS to support national academies in the fulfillment of their basic duties. It would be appropriate to have formal agreements between national academies and WAAS. There is an initiative to sign *TWAS-WAAS* agreement.

Education is an essential component. It includes everything from preschool to life-long education. It is intertwined with employment. Notwithstanding the broad spectrum of education, it is appropriate that WAAS focuses on higher education. The *World University Consortium* and the *Global University/World Virtual University (WVU)* could fill the gap that currently exists. Higher education is presently undergoing major paradigmatic changes: a) increase in the number of students by a factor of 100, or in numbers: hundreds of millions of students demanding huge number of universities and professors, and b) change in the content from disciplinary to problem-solving and in the mission best presented by our Fellow **Stig Strömholm**: *"University has a mission and a responsibility which goes far beyond the task of providing industry with efficient employees, marketable ideas or science-based solutions. The mission is the production of mature, independent, critical, responsible personalities, who are not tools in the service of Church, State, party, business or trade union."* Higher education

structure includes public and private universities, many institutions of higher education, colleges, community colleges, the UN University and now an increasing number of virtual education systems.

While the structure of academies is fairly complete, it is not so for research institutes and research universities – generators of scientific research. Support and assurance of scientific research are the paramount task of WAAS. It is not done by focusing on specific research issues within WAAS, but by assuring and stimulating scientific research structure. Establishing agreements with outstanding research centers in the world, e.g. CERN, is the right action and WAAS initiated such an agreement, and it should continue with organizations such as EMBL etc. WAAS should do more, e.g. stimulate establishment of regional and international scientific research institutes. Specifically, it can establish a network of scientific research institutes of advanced studies focused more on problems than on disciplines, but not ignoring disciplines. In many countries, developing and highly industrial, freedom of scientific research is attempted to be restricted and support for curiosity-driven research is constantly decreasing under the pressure of austerity programs. WAAS' duty is to clearly state that such actions and attitudes are detrimental to human welfare. WAAS Fellows were involved in forming IFIAS (International Federation of Institutes for Advanced Studies) and we are currently contemplating whether an appropriate association/network has to be formed and how to do it. System of interconnected research centers is an essential complement to WVU.

Actions involving policy-making and decision-making, in short leadership that leads to actions, are essential. They are difficult, even controversial, and have a rich, often painful, history. Though only some academies have been established by political patrons, historically academies and local political elites have been interconnected. WAAS is again unique, since though the world is global, there is no global governance structure. The UN system is based and dependent on sovereign nation states. WAAS established a solid relationship with the UN Office in Geneva. WAAS had some support from UNESCO, interrupted in 1997, and now WAAS has initiated a new collaboration agreement with UNESCO, and links with ILO, ECOSOC and UN. (It should not be forgotten that the first president of WAAS was DG of FAO.) While WAAS for several years has been collaborating with the Club of Rome, Pugwash Movement and European Leadership Network, it now started to collaborate with the Club of Madrid, an association of former heads of states and heads of governments (some again active). It would be appropriate to organize a joint conference with the Club of Madrid on **New Paradigm** involving also *Cultura de Paz* founded by our Fellow **Federico Mayor**, and *Biblioteca Alexandrina* and our Fellow **Ismail Serageldin**, who is the Director of the organization. Though the essence of contemporary political structure is in nation sovereign states, WAAS has been and should be active in developing governance beyond that system, e.g. establishing the UN Parliamentary Assembly. In endeavoring to achieve a world without wars WAAS should study and initiate various actions of direct democracy and global referenda.

The Objectives and Purpose of WAAS determine our Program, Membership and Organizational Structure

Program

- From concern for Sustainable Development and Natural Capital to Development of Human and Social Capital, and
- From several often independent different programs to a unified, interconnected Global New Paradigm.

Some of our work is now part of the mainstream: not only WAAS, but also Sarkozy's Commission, **George Soros' New Economic Thinking program**, and **Partha Dasgupta et al's Inclusive World Report** recognize that current economic indicators and thinking are inadequate. More importantly, all of them recognize that there is a need for a **New Economic Paradigm**. Most of them recognize that employment is essential. Our discussions with political leadership (e.g. **President J.M. Barroso**, his *BEPA*, ILO representatives and few national leaders) show that it

is vital to increase employment rate. However, though our work (**Orio Giarini**, 20 years ago) preceded it, or at least was simultaneous (first issue of *Cadmus*) – WAAS is not appreciated as an important actor in this field. Possibly our Human Capital project combined with the Rule of Law project (a major paradigm change is required in the Rule of Law emphasizing the significance of human and social capital) could underline the role of WAAS.

WAAS can and should have major global political impact in **Abolition of WMD** and elimination of inter- and intra-state violence and conflicts. This endeavor has a long tradition in WAAS, at least from the 1999 Chennai, 2005 Washington and Zagreb 2005 workshops, it has reached a remarkable point in 2012, and now it has to produce a major global political action: global referenda, UN parliamentary assembly coalescing with another major WAAS endeavor – gov-

ernance. Abolition of WMD and abolition of war have been and are a main goal of *Pugwash*, and now *European Leadership Network (ELN)* has also joined this effort. An excellent conference organized by our Fellow **Emil Constantinescu** on Levant and culture stretching to peace in Middle East and then the much broader WMD (Weapons for Mass Destruction) disarmament and global peace represents currently a crucial cultural-political action that WAAS can and should do. This will also require coherent action involving several organizations and placing WAAS in the global action arena that requires immediate solution.

A third major endeavor with a global impact is the **Anthropocene project** which again may and will overlap with several global organizations. All these seemingly diverse programs and several others, e.g. Human Capital, Individuality, Limits to Rationality, From Crisis to Prosperity and Employment

can be integrated within a New Paradigm.

WAAS should not be mesmerized by overlaps and with our identity. Many of us have multiple identities (loyalties, affiliations) and these multiplicities should enrich us and our actions. *Pugwash, ELN, the CoR and WAAS* have similarities and also differences.

Fellowship

Fellows are the gem of any organization! Fellowship in WAAS is an honor and an impetus for action. In many Academies it is mainly honor, and action – if any – is focused on continuing a Fellow's professional activity. WAAS Fellows are elected because they are outstanding artists, life scientists, writers, economists, physical scientists, political and business leaders and because of their commitments to global welfare: their activity in WAAS should be focused on global issues. To take an example, WAAS is not a place where physicists should engage in Higgs boson studies. The reason is simple: this is much better done at *CERN*, in physical societies, at universities and institutes. Of course, physicists – Fellows of WAAS – should continue their research in physics and in addition, they should work on WAAS projects putting results of their research and their creativity, leadership and actions in service of human welfare – as **Einstein** and many others have done. It is conceivable that – at certain periods of our lives – demands imposed by WAAS Fellowship may be too much. It is therefore quite acceptable that some Fellows require temporary non-active status. For instance, in the *CoR* members having

WAAS is the only global academy – and this feature puts us in the history that stretches from Plato's Academy to numerous national academies, *TWAS* and several European academies. This is our distinctive characteristic. On the other hand our mission aimed at global action for global welfare gives us a unique feature different from na-

high political office were considered to be in a dormant status. There are degrees of this dormant status and it can include: no active participation, no WAAS emails, no WAAS publication, or just some of it. Reactivation of the active status should rest on the Fellow. We have to be aware that WAAS has been quite active recently. It implies that we have to judiciously select new projects (not to fully discourage them). New projects should be connected – as far as possible – with existing ones to give them deeper meanings and implications.

WAAS has about 700 Fellows. In addition to about 200 very active Fellows, one could distinguish a group that paid dues and those that participated in WAAS activities at least once in the last three years. Also, a large number of Fellows passed away. Just superficially going through our Directory I found many who have died (e.g. **R. Blinc** (Slovenia), **S.P. Kapitza** (Russia), **G. Efremov** (Macedonia), **G. Pifat**, **B. Kamenar**, **M. Berber** (Croatia), **P. Malaska** (Finland), **E. Hammar skjold** (Sweden). We made a serious omission of not including their obituaries in our Newsletter. We should organize special conferences devoted to our Fellows who passed away (It was done recently at

tional and regional academies. There are potential areas of conflict and application for financial support can be one of them. Another is conflict of organizational priorities. These can be overcome by carefully electing leadership that is aware of richness provided by different organizations aimed at achieving the same goal.

WAAS sponsored SDEWES 2013 for **R. Blinc**).

Connection with academies suggests that WAAS should pay special attention in electing presidents of Academies as Fellows. We did that, but more should be done, since particularly our connections with *Royal Society, Russian Academy, National Academy of Sciences, Leopoldina, Swedish and Dutch Academies, Accademia dei Lincei and Académie Française* are non-existent.

A special issue is the election of political leaders, particularly those who are still in an executive office. Some academies elect such persons as honorary members, or as patrons, some organizations as the *Club of Rome* place them in a dormant status. *Pugwash* keeps them in active membership. WAAS has traditionally elected and kept them as Fellows indistinguishable from others. The essential criterion is their activity. However, there are cases when political or business personalities act in such a way that is – or at least it seems to be – in contradiction with the main objectives of WAAS. I believe that WAAS should not ignore such differences but should engage in a debate and clarify the issue: after all governance is our project.

Organizational Structure

WAAS should be a bottom-up organization. This does not imply that the Academy's leadership is irrelevant. On the contrary! All Fellows are responsible for leading the Academy, and they – you – have done so in a critical period. Ever since June 2011, WAAS tried to implement and stimulate this bottom-up approach. My suggestion is to allow maximum autonomy and focus our Board of Trustees to be the coordinating center rather than a supervisory body. It is the common spirit within and of WAAS that assures the achievement of WAAS objectives rather than the imposition of control.

I do consider it my duty to continue completing all the unfinished tasks we started, and – if Fellows and the BoT agree – I am prepared to do them.

Ivo Šlaus
Honorary President

CEO's Report

The Academy's Expanding Network of Networks

The Academy was founded as a network of concerned individuals committed to addressing the multi-faceted global challenges of the modern era. It would appear that a small group of people – no matter how distinguished – cannot expect to have significant impact on problems that span the entire globe and confront all of humanity. But appearances can be deceiving. On closer examination, we discover that each of our members is a member of many other networks that cross organizational boundaries, disciplines, fields of activity and national borders to form a rich web of interrelationships as intricate in its variety and complexity as the Internet. We are all nodes on that global network.

The development of the World Wide Web has made self-evident just how powerful interlinking relationships can be for accomplishment of any objective. Indeed every society is such a network and all of the work accomplished by the world today depends on these subtle linkages. The power of language, money and the Internet derives from the fact that they are tools that facilitate networking. Every individual constitutes a network of immense potential. That explains why single individuals throughout history have exhibited a remarkable power to change the world as explored in the Academy's [project on Individuality](#). What applies to individuals is even more applicable to organizations of individuals.

It is with this understanding that the Academy has consciously set out over the past few years to foster and strengthen our relationships with like-minded institutions – organizations such as *CERN, Club of Madrid, Club of Rome, European Leadership Network, Foundation for the Culture of Peace, Global Security Institute, Institute for Cultural Diplomacy, Institute of Person-Centered Approach, Inter-Academy Panel and Medical Panel, Inter-University Centre, Library of Alexandria, Montenegrin Academy of Sciences & Arts, The Mother's Service Society, Nizami Ganjavi International Centre, Parliamentarians for Nuclear Non-proliferation and Disarmament, Pugwash, United Nations*



Garry Jacobs

Academic Impact and World Future's Council – nearly all of which are headed by Fellows of the Academy who are themselves members of many other distinguished organizations. And these tentative steps are only the beginning.

With the founding of the World University Consortium of educational institutions this year, WAAS has taken the first steps to convert these informal relationships into a formal umbrella group of organizations capable of leadership in thought that leads to action at the global level. We are now in the process of constituting two other umbrella groups to develop a New Paradigm for Human Development and promote peaceful development in the Levant. Each member can contribute to the growth and development of these networks by serving as an active link between WAAS and the other organizations with which you are associated.

As an Individual, each of us is a psychological network whose potential power for effectivity remains largely unperceived and unexpressed. Becoming fully conscious of that capacity will enable each of us and the Academy as a whole to accomplish far more than we now think possible. We invite you to collaborate in this endeavor.

Garry Jacobs
Chief Executive Officer



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Ways to Contribute to WAAS

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Here is a short list of ways in which members can actively participate and contribute to making WAAS a world-class leader in thought that leads to action.

1. Active participation in on-going WAAS activities and programs including General Assemblies, conferences and e-conferences.
2. Contribution of creative proposals for new WAAS programming.
3. Networking and forging partnerships and alliances with other organizations.
4. Nomination of new Fellows.
5. Publishing in WAAS journals and newsletters.
6. Service on WAAS Committees.
7. Voting in WAAS elections held twice annually.*
8. Payment of annual dues as set by the Board.* Present dues for Fellows and Associate Fellows: \$135 (€100), Junior Fellows: \$65 (€50).
9. Donations and Fundraising.
10. Maintain up-to-date personal directory information accessible only to other Fellows.

* The asterisked items are minimum requirements for membership in WAAS.

A Holiday Gift Suggestion



Alberto Zucconi

For the approaching Holidays Season we have decided to exchange with our friends and family some socially conscious presents. Instead of giving a tie or a scarf, we will instead give and ask our dear ones to make a donation to the World Academy of Art & Science and the World University Consortium.*

Several friends and colleagues of WAAS are doing the same, we hope that you, your family and your friends will join us in celebrating our blessing with some sharing of common values and goals.



Bob Berg

Happy Holiday Season to you & your loved ones!

[Click here](#) for information on how to donate to WAAS.

*Names of donors of €100 or more will be acknowledged on the WAAS website.

Alberto Zucconi & Bob Berg, Co-chairs, WAAS Fundraising Committee
Zbigniew Bochniarz, Heitor Gurgulino de Souza, Augusto Forti, Garry Jacobs,
Winston Nagan, Nebojša Nešković, Ivo Šlaus & Mikel Vanry

E-Com Subcommittee Report

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Mila Popovich

Recognizing the need for a wider representation of WAAS activities and publicizing of the Academy's initiatives in the digital media, the E-Communications Subcommittee was formed in June 2013 with the following members – **Janani Harish, An Krumberger, Hariny Narayanan, Shweta Rangan, Ranjani Ravi and myself.** A working group was constituted

to explore the most effective social media for the promotion of the Academy.

After a series of decisive meetings, the subcommittee decided to create an official WAAS Facebook Page and YouTube Channel as well as Facebook pages for the World University Consortium and World Academy Forum for promotion of WUC activities and events.

The multifaceted purpose for the creation of the Facebook pages and YouTube channel is to

- expand the Academy's informational services to our members
- promote WAAS activities and introduce the Academy's leading-edge initiatives to the widest range of audiences
- augment the public presence and virtual reach of WAAS
- strengthen associations with collaborating organizations and institutions via direct links
- showcase our Fellows, their work and associations
- generate consistent and immediate updates on the most current events and activities
- create an open platform for discussions, suggestions, and input from the widest and most diverse audience.

The [WAAS YouTube Channel](#) already has 59 videos of presentations and speeches from our numerous web seminars and conferences. The WAAS Facebook pages have garnered considerable following so far with numbers changing daily: [WAAS \(129\)](#), [WUC \(48\)](#) and [WAF \(59\)](#). The WAAS page currently offers textual and photo/video track record of all the major conferences and roundtables since 2009 as milestones, information and updates on web seminars, our publications, our worldwide centers, as well as the newest partnerships with other notable organizations and the Academy's membership in the most prestigious associations.

We utilize the WAAS page not only for the promotion of the Academy's work but also for showcasing the activities of our distinguished Fellows that are aligned with the Academy's goals. The page has generated substantial interest and enthusiastic reception shared with the committee via e-mails and FB messages and posts. It initiated contacts and engagement from previously inactive Fellows, who sent positive feedback particularly praising the possibility of having information and quick updates from the Academy on the go.

We are cordially inviting our Fellows to "like" our Facebook pages and subscribe to our YouTube channel in order to connect and gain insight into the remarkable wealth of activities and initiatives the Academy generated in the last two years. Additionally, we have created a "Donate" button on the Facebook pages so that our Fellows can efficiently and securely pay their dues and make donations and, thus, support and personally impact the emergence of the Academy as the leading global organization.

Mila Popovich

Coordinator, WAAS E-Com Subcommittee



One of the main reasons many Fellows join the Academy is to interact and work with other Fellows who have shared values, creative ideas, fresh insights and similar research interests. Op-Ed is a forum in which Fellows can share not only your ideas and opinions with others but also your recent interests, activities, publications, research projects or experiences. Write to us what you are thinking about or working on in 250 words or less with links to more detailed articles, papers or reports to e-com@worldacademy.org.

TELL US WHAT YOU THINK

Nominations Committee Report

On the Election of New Members to WAAS



N. Nešković

In June 2013, the Board of Trustees accepted the Action Plan prepared by the Nominations Committee for the period between June 15, 2013 and June 14, 2017. According to the plan, new members should be nominated and elected to the Academy with the following preferences:

- Capable of strengthening the existing Academy's projects as well as initiating and carrying out new projects preferably in the arts, formal and natural sciences, interdisciplinary and applied sciences, and the humanities.
- Candidates from the arts and the humanities.
- From Asia, South America, Africa and the Middle East, with emphasis on Brazil, Russia, India, China, South Africa, Indonesia, South Korea, Thailand, Japan, Mexico, and other underrepresented countries.
- Women.

The Action Plan also resulted in the reorganization of Nom-Com into two subcommittees – Nominations and Evalua-

tions. The task of Nominations Subcommittee will be to identify candidates for membership from the underrepresented regions, countries, and fields of interest. The task of the Evaluations Subcommittee will be to evaluate the nominated candidates for membership in the Academy.

The Academy received about 50 new nominations for Fellowship during the first half of 2013, of which the Nominations Subcommittee proposed 30 candidates for election as Fellows, 2 as Associate Fellows, and 1 as Junior Fellow. After final review, the Board recommended 22 candidates for Fellowship, whose names were placed on the ballot in the Fall general elections, which ended on November 15, 2013. All 22 candidates received the requisite 67% vote and were elected to the Academy. During the year the Board also used the special powers assigned to it under the Bylaws to directly elect the UN Undersecretary General **Kassym-Jomart Tokayev** and Macedonian President **Gjorge Ivanov** as Fellows along with 2 Associated Fellows and 1 Junior Fellow.

Nebojša Nešković
Chair, Nominations Committee

Invitation to Participate



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- A. Political and Economic Change**
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Elected by the Board of Trustees on June 2, 2013

Kassym-Jomart Tokayev is a Kazakh politician and diplomat who is presently Chairman of the Senate of Kazakhstan. Previously, he was Prime Minister of Kazakhstan (1999-2002), Under-Secretary General and Director General of the United Nations Office at Geneva (2011-2013). Mr. Tokayev also held the post of Kazakhstan's Foreign Minister for ten years (1994-1999, 2002-2007). During that time, he played an active role in the field of nuclear non-proliferation with the diplomatic rank of Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary. As Chairman of the Senate of the Parliament of Kazakhstan, Mr. Tokayev was elected in 2008 Vice-President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE). He earlier served as Secretary-General of the Conference on Disarmament and also as the Designated Official for safety and security of UN personnel for Switzerland.

Elected by the Board of Trustees on September 16, 2013



Gjorge Ivanov

Gjorge Ivanov is the President of the Republic of Macedonia since 2009. He is the Professor of political science at Ss.Cyril and Methodius University in Skopje. He is the first to introduce systematic research on civil society in Macedonian Academia. A consultant to leading think-tanks and researchers, generations of leaders have received his training in political management. Professor Ivanov is the co-founder of the first Macedonian political science journal Political Opinion. He is also one of the founders of the Institute for Democracy, Solidarity and Civil Society, a renowned Macedonian think-tank which has helped shape the political landscape in Macedonia. During his Presidency, President Ivanov has been invited to deliver numerous lectures at renowned universities in the European centers.

Invitation for Proposals for Courses at IUC Dubrovnik



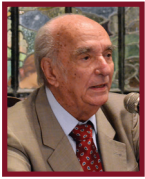
The World Academy is now a member of [Inter-University Centre in Dubrovnik](#), an association of 170 leading educational institutions from around the world. As a member WAAS is eligible to conduct innovative, interdisciplinary academic courses of one to two week duration on subjects of international interest in collaboration with faculty from other member institutions. Students from all IUC member institutions are eligible to enroll in approved courses.

All the members of the World Academy are invited to submit course proposals for consideration. Faculty for the course must include instructors from at least one other IUC [member institution](#). Fellows are also eligible to join the faculty of other IUC courses listed in the [Academic Programme](#).

For more information on eligibility and requirements, see the [course guidelines](#). To submit a proposal, contact the [WAAS Program Committee](#).

Fall Elections 2013

Fellows



Candido Mendes de Almeida (Brazil): Rector and President, Universidade Candido Mende; Secretary-General of the Académie de la Latinité; Ambassador, Alliance of Civilizations (United Nations); Special Counselor to the President of Brazil.

Øivind Andersen (Norway): Professor of Classical Philology, University of Oslo; Secretary General, The Norwegian Academy of Science and Letters; Member of the Board, The Association of All European Academies (ALLEA).



Anantha Kumar Duraiappah (Germany): Executive Director, International Human Dimensions Programme, United Nations University; Member, International Advisory Board for the World Bank; Visiting Professor, Beijing Normal University and University of Tokyo Network.

Christina E. Erneling (Sweden): Senior Lecturer, School of Social Work, Lund University; Visiting Professor, Department of Philosophy, York University; Fellow, Centre for Philosophy of Science, York University.



Mauro Giacca (Italy): Director, Trieste Component of the International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology (ICGEB); Senior Scientist and Group Leader, Molecular Medicine Laboratory, ICGEB; Full Professor of Molecular Biology, University of Trieste.

Paulo Alcantara Gomes (Brazil): President, Technology Network; Member and Former President, State Council of Education (CEE); Member, Board of the Institute of Advanced Studies-United Nations University (UNU); Former Rector, Federal University of Rio de Janeiro.



Heron José de Santana Gordilho (Brazil): Professor of Environmental Law at the Federal University of Bahia, Salvador, Brazil; Founder and the First President of Abolitionist Institute for Animals, State of Bahia; Founder and Editor, Brazilian Animal Rights Review.

Gerald A. Gutenschwager (Greece): Professor Emeritus, School of Architecture, Washington University; Research Fellow, Department of City and Regional Planning and Development, University of Thessaly, Greece



Gloria M. Gutman (Canada): Research Associate, Gerontology Research Centre, Simon Fraser University; Professor Emerita, Gerontology Department; Associate Member, Faculty of Health Sciences; President, International Network for Prevention of Elder Abuse.

Jasmin Komic (Bosnia and Herzegovina): Minister of Science and Technology of the Republic of Srpska, Bosnia and Herzegovina; Full-time professor of Statistics and Chairman of Cathedra for Mathematics and Statistics, Faculty of Economics, University of Banja Luka, Bosnia and Herzegovina.



Nisreen Salameh Mahasneh (Jordan): Professor of Law, Yarmouk University; Member and Founder, First Legal Clinic; Member, Accreditation Committee, Ministry of Higher Education, University Council, Yarmouk University; Board Member, Jordanian Journal of Law & Politics.

Louise Mandell (Canada): Attorney, First Nations Agreements, Claim Settlements, Aboriginal Issues, Of counsel, Mandell Pinder LLP; President, Union of B.C. Indian Chiefs and the World Council of Indigenous Peoples.



Bongani M Mayosi (South Africa): Professor and Head, Department of Medicine, Faculty of Health Science, University of Cape Town; Chief Specialist, Groote Schuur Hospital; President, The College of Physicians of South Africa.

Karim El Mufti (Lebanon): Associate Professor, Political Science and International Affairs, Beirut Arab University; Associate Professor of International Relations, Saint-Joseph University; Associate Professor of International Human Rights Law, La Sagesse University; Director, Human Rights Legal Clinic, La Sagesse University.



Manoel Jorge e Silva Neto (Brazil): Professor of Constitutional Law, Federal University of Bahia, Brazil; Secretary General, Instituto Baiano de Direito do Trabalho; Member, Academia Nacional de Direito do Trabalho; Member, Associação Nacional dos Procuradores do Trabalho.

Roberto Poli (Italy): Research Professor, Department of Sociology and Social Research, University of Trento; UNESCO Chair, Anticipatory Systems (2014-2017); Fellow, STIAS—Stellenbosch Institute for Advanced Studies; Editor-in-chief, Axiomathes; Member, Editorial board, Futures, European Journal of Futures Research.



William C. Potter (USA): Founding Director of the James Martin Center for Nonproliferation Studies at the Monterey Institute of International Studies (MIIS); Member, Council on Foreign Relations and International Advisory Board, Center for Policy Studies in Russia.

Joanílio Rodolpho Teixeira (Brazil): Emeritus Professor, Faculty of Applied Social Studies, Department of Economics, University of Brasilia; Reader, Cambridge University Press; Member, Association des Amis de la Fondation Maison des Sciences de l'Homme (FMSH), and Association de la Cité Internationale de Paris.





Tibor Tóth (Austria): Executive Head, Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization (CTBTO); Chair, World Economic Forum, Global Agenda Council Weapons of Mass Destruction.

Andrea Vacchi (Italy): Director of Research at INFN (National Institute for Nuclear Research), Trieste Section; Chair of the National Technology Transfer Board of INFN; President, Trieste International Foundation for Scientific Progress.



Alyn Ware (USA): International Representative, Peace Foundation; Founder and Global Coordinator of Parliamentarians, Nuclear Non-proliferation and Disarmament; Director, Aotearoa Lawyers for Peace; UN Coordinator for the World Court Project; Founder, the Nuclear Abolition Forum.

Shuiyuan Xiao (China): Professor, Social Medicine and Psychiatry; Dean, School of Public Health; Director, Xiangya Hospital Mental Health Center; Director, Institute of Suicide Prevention, Central South University; Vice Director, National Training Center for School Health.



Associate Fellows



Zoran Ilievski (Macedonia): Assistant Professor, Head of the Department of Political Science, Head of Master Programmes of Political Science, Head of the Center for Political Research and Analysis, Ss.Cyril and Methodius University- Skopje, Faculty of Law "Iustinianus Primus"; Political Advisor to H.E Dr. Gjorge Ivanov, President of the Republic of Macedonia.

Ljudmila Popovich, a Junior Fellow, was re-elected as an Associate Fellow by the Board of Trustees on September 16, 2013.

Ljudmila Popovich (USA): Comparative Literature, Film Studies and Humanities, University of Colorado; Published Poet; International Dance Artist; Associate Expert at the Seventh Research Framework Programme at the European Commission; Coordinator of the WAAS E-Communications Subcommittee.



Richard Keith Smith (Canada): Professor, School of Communication, Simon Fraser University; Director, Centre for Policy Research on Science and Technology, Simon Fraser University.

Junior Fellow

Liuba Ceban (Republic of Moldova): Freelance Consultant and Trainer in Personal and Organizational Development; President, Trainer and Program Manager, Altruism Association.

