



# General Assembly 2023 Minutes

**Place:** Malmö Live, Malmö, Sweden

**Date:** June 7, 2023

**Time:** 16:30 (local time)

- 1. Opening of the General Assembly**  
Eva Forssell-Aronsson opened the General Assembly and welcomed all present.
- 2. Election of chairman and secretary**  
Eva Forssell-Aronsson was elected as chairman. Charlotta Nilsson was elected as extra chairman for item 8. Marie Sydoff was elected as secretary.
- 3. Election of signers of minutes and counters of votes**  
Klara Insulander Björk and Andrej Wojcik were elected as signers of minutes and counters of votes.
- 4. Adoption of the agenda**  
The agenda was adopted.
- 5. Validity of this General Assembly**  
The notice of General Assembly together with the agenda and proposals of revised statutes and strategic plan for 2023-2027 were sent by e-mail to all members on May 6, 2023. (The statutes state that notice and agenda should be sent at least one month before the meeting.)  
The present NSFS members validated the announcement of the General Assembly.

6. Report for the period since last General Assembly
  - a. Activity report  
Marie Sydoff presented the activity report (Appendix 1)
  - b. Financial report  
Ann-Sofie Gustavsson presented the financial report until Dec 31, 2022 (Appendix 2).  
Ann-Sofie Gustavsson also presented a preliminary financial report covering 1st of January 2023 to 5<sup>th</sup> of June 2023 for Sweden including the conference costs so far in Malmö.
7. Audit report  
Ann-Sofie Gustavsson presented the audit reports from the Finnish board and from the Swedish board, together covering the years 2019-2022.
8. Decision on exemption from liability for the Board  
The assembly accepts exemption from liability for the board the years 2019-2022.
9. Decision on membership fee  
Presently the member fee is 50 EUR/4 years. The proposal from the NSFS board was that we instead have a yearly membership fee of 15 EUR. The assembly accepted the proposal from the NSFS board.  
One additional suggestion from the assembly was that the new NSFS board should examine the possibility with "Autogiro".
10. Presentation of the National boards for the next period  
Eva Forssell-Aronsson presented the members of the National boards from all the Nordic countries for the next period.

<b>Denmark</b> Sidse Lærke Lolk Claus Højgård Nielsen Peter Sigerseth Grøn	<b>Norway</b> Ingunn Løvik Hilde Knapstad Evabeth Roseth Bruvoll
<b>Finland</b> Jukka Liukkonen Tuukka Turtiainen Siiri-Maria Aallos-Ståhl	<b>Sweden</b> Christian Bernhardsson Eva Forssell-Aronsson Per Seltborg
<b>Iceland</b> Edda Lína Gunnarsdóttir Gísli Jónsson Nellý Pétursdóttir	

#### 11. Election of country for the next ordinary meeting

The NSFS board proposed that Norway should be the next hosting country. The assembly decided that Norway will be the next hosting country.

#### 12. Election of president for the next period

Tore Ramsøy was elected as president of NSFS for the next period.

#### 13. Election of accountants and a deputy accountant

Jens Sögaard Hansen and Tone-Mette Sjömoen were elected as accountants. Ingunn Løvik was elected as deputy accountant.

#### 14. Amendments of the statutes

The proposed statutes had been sent to all members in advance, and were presented and compared with the present statutes. Suggestions of changes are: Subtitles have been restructured, the statutes have been updated and clarified, annual membership fee instead of every 4<sup>th</sup> year, GA every year (digital when not during conference), conference preferably every second year or at least every 4<sup>th</sup> year.

The assembly discussed the proposed changes of the statutes. The following proposals were posed:

- The wording “conference preferably every second year or at least every fourth year” should be omitted (paragraph 4.2). The suggestion was not accepted by the majority of the assembly.
- The period of board membership and presidency should last until the next GA which is held during a conference (paragraphs 3.1 and 3.2). The assembly decided according to the proposal.
- The conference should be announced at least one year before it will take place, instead of six months before it takes place, as was proposed. The suggestion was accepted by the assembly.
- Paragraph 4.1 should include that the agenda of the General Assembly should be distributed to the members one month before the meeting. The assembly decided to follow that suggestion.

#### 15. Decision on Strategic plan for 2023-2027

NSFS has no Strategic plan, while many other IRPA ASs have. A proposed Strategic plan had been sent to all members one month in advance, and was presented. The Strategic plan sets out the vision, objectives and action plan over the next four years. The Strategic Plan should be a living document, regularly reviewed and revised based on progress made on commitments and tasks.

The assembly decided to adopt the Strategic plan for 2023-2027.

16. Election of new honorary members

Rune Hafslund (Norway), Sigurdur Magnusson (Iceland), Jack Valentin (Sweden), Mette Öhlenschläger (Denmark), and Sören Mattsson (Sweden) were elected as honorary members of NSFS.

17. Other matters

Information was given about the following upcoming events within IRPA:  
IRPA 16 Congress, Orlando, Florida, USA, July 7-12, 2024  
7th European Regional IRPA Congress, Liverpool, England, June 1-5, 2026  
IRPA 17 Congress, Valencia, Spain, May 28 – June 2, 2028

18. Closing of the General Assembly

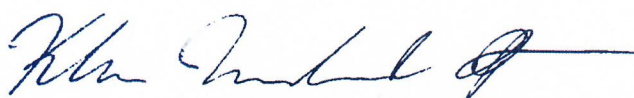
Eva Forssell-Aronsson thanked all present members for participation and fruitful discussions, and closed the meeting.



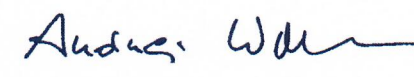
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