

ISCH Annual General Meeting

19 June 2025, at 16:15

University of Lapland (Rovaniemi, Finland)

Present from the committee: Dana Weber (Chair), Jasmin Lukkari (secretary), Liisa-Maija Korhonen (treasurer), Chris Forth, Cathleen Sarti, Alessandro Arcangeli, Hannu Salmi, Ecaterina Lung, Anna-Leena Perämäki

+ c. 15 ISCH members

TOP 1 Opening of the AGM

TOP 2 Reception of the report of the committee for the year 2024—2025.

The report can be [downloaded here](#).

TOP 3 Reception of the treasurer's report

Liisa-Maija Korhonen, the treasurer of the ISCH, presents the financial report for 2024. The closing balance of the ISCH bank account and PayPal and Stripe accounts on 31 December 2024 was 12704,42€. In 2024, the net income was 2875,07€. A large part of this income has been used to support the Rovaniemi conference in 2025. The financial situation is stable.

TOP 4 Reception of the report of the editorial board of the society's journal

Chris Forth, the Editor-in-Chief of the Society's [journal *Cultural History*](#), presents the journal and the possibilities to publish in it. Conference speakers are invited to propose their reworked conference papers to the journal. ISCH membership is not required to publish in *Cultural History*. The next two volumes are under preparation, and several special issues are under consideration.

TOP 5 Reception of any other reports esteemed necessary by the committee

- Publication series: Dana Weber, one of the two editors of the book series ([Studies for the International Society for Cultural History](#), by Routledge), presents the possibility to publish in the series. At the moment, one monograph on ancient history has been accepted for publication. Other proposals are under review.
- ISCH conference 2026 in Paris: Laurent Martin, the organizer of the ISCH conference 2026 in Paris, presents the conference venue and theme. The next ISCH conference will be held in Paris on 10-12 September 2026. The theme of the conference is 'Identities, circulations, migrations – a cultural history'. The venue will be Condorcet campus in Aubervilliers. Call for Papers and more information will be published during the autumn.
- Internet activity: Jasmin Lukkari, the secretary, presents [ISCH internet activity](#). We publish ISCH related news such as conference CfP on our website, in our bi-annual newsletter, CULTHIST mailing list, on our Facebook page and on our Bluesky account which was recently created. Our X account still exists but will not be updated any longer.

TOP 6 Reception of the chair's (Dana Weber) report on the call for the election of members for the committee:

In 2025 there were four expiring committee positions:

- Ecaterina Lung (University of Bucharest)
- Jukka Kortti (University of Helsinki)
- Anna-Leena Perämäki (University of Turku)
- Hannu Salmi (University of Turku)

For the four open committee positions, there were four eligible candidates. Therefore, voting is not necessary. We now elect them as committee members for a three-year term:

- Daniel Gicu (The Romanian Academy)
- Noora Kallioniemi (University of Turku)
- Anna-Leena Perämäki (University of Turku), 2nd term
- Pälvi Rantala (University of Lapland)

Starting from now, Josephine Hoegaerts (University of Amsterdam) will join the committee as an ex officio member, in the quality of the Chair of the ISCH Prize committee.

The secretary's term has expired, but the current secretary, Jasmin Lukkari, applied for one year extension. There were no other candidates. The Committee unanimously agreed.

ISCH members are invited to apply to the ISCH committee, since there are open positions also next year.

TOP 7 ISCH Prize competition for the best conference presentation: The Chair of the Prize committee, Alessandro Arcangeli, presents the ISCH Prize competition for 2025. The winner of the 2024 prize, Tarik Orliczek, gives a short presentation on his winning paper via Zoom.

TOP 8 Other issues

TOP 9 Closing of the AGM