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Preface

It is a new year for ISHA. With that, comes a new policy paper. We took the time to work everything out, but we are pleased with the result. We hope you will be, too.

As you will see, this year's policy paper looks quite different from the ones that have been written in the years before. If you look a bit closer however, you will see that the hopes, dreams and expectations of this year's IB are just as ambitious as the previous ones. Together with the council, we hope to run the organization well and improve ISHA as much as we can in the upcoming year. Some ideas might fail, or not work out as planned, but even when they do, we have explored the possibilities within ISHA and that is something we can learn from. We will see can be achieved in a year!

Greetings from your IB,

Leonie Huijs (President)
Sophia Freund (Secretary)
Irene Croonen (Treasurer)

Tasks IB 2007-2008

TASK	Time frame
Search for ways to improve the academic level of conferences and seminars	AUG – MAR*
Secure future and maintenance of the website	AUG - DEC
Improve relations with other NGO's and organisations like ESN, IFISO, possibly CliohNet	AUG – MAR*
Look at the possibilities of new merchandising (+ new shirts)	AUG - DEC
Together with the Carnival editor, improve the quality of the magazine	AUG - DEC
Together with the council, look at the possibilities of moving the archives together in one place	AUG – MAR*
Together with the council, look at the possibilities of turning ISHA into an EU-organization	AUG – MAR*
Together with the council, look at the possibilities of retrieving the money from Belgium	AUG – MAR*
If possible, retrieve the money from Belgium	MAR - JUL
GENERAL TASKS	
Look out for continuators for 2008-2009	JAN – MAR*
Secure the organization of future seminars and the 2009 conference	
Stay in touch with sections and try to establish new ones	
Be active on the forum	

* MAR as a deadline refers to the annual conference, to be held in March

In this scheme, you can see what the IB wants to accomplish this year, and within what period. We want to handle some issues that have already been going on for a few years, as well as some issues that have come up recently. We will regard the annual conference in 2008 as a deadline. This deadline has been chosen, because by that time we can assess our progress and decide what can be done in the remaining months. After March, there is still some time

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left to deal with several topics. Also, we plan on discussing our progress with the sections present at the Conference. If we are to make any important changes regarding ISHA, we want to involve all sections as much as possible.

The academic level of the seminars is something that has already often been talked about.

Tasks Council 2007-2008

SPECIFIC TASKS (to be equally divided)	Time frame
Document possibilities, pros and cons of turning ISHA into an EU-organisation (present report)	AUG – MAR*
Document what archives we have, where they are and the possibilities of bringing them together (in Nijmegen?) (present report)	AUG – MAR*
Arrange for the archives to be transported to one location	MAR - JUL
Document what action has been taken concerning the money in Belgium so far and explore further possibilities (present report)	AUG – MAR*
GENERAL TASKS	
Assist IB in finding continuators for 2008-2009	JAN – MAR*
Be active on the forum	

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Tasks Carnival editor 2007-2008

TASK	Time frame
Together with the IB, design a new lay-out which can also be used for future issues and document this	AUG - DEC
Together with the IB, think of ways to make Carnival more appealing by adjusting contents.	AUG - DEC
Have a new (and hopefully improved) issue ready before the 2008 Conference	AUG – MAR*

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This year, we hope to have a new issue of the Carnival-magazine ready before the 2008 Conference. Of course, this is a very ambitious goal, because the past years have taught us that putting together a complete issue is more easily said than done.

The one thing that springs to the attention when you have a look at previous Carnival issues, is that they all look completely different. There is no uniformity whatsoever and we believe that is an aspect that could be improved. We would like to design a new lay-out which can function as a basic design for future issues.