

2021-02-21 SI Exco Meeting agenda & minutes

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UTC Time Zone Sunday February 21 2021 14:00-16.00

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Ottawa, Canada February 21 2021 at 09:00 EDT (UTC -5)
New York, USA February 21 2021 at 09:00 EDT (UTC -5)
Stockholm, Sweden February 21 2021 at 15:00 CET (UTC -5)
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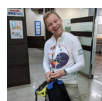
Participants



Carla Kristensen



Jim Leask



Jonny Sägänger



Kiat Y Tan



Paige LaCombe



Paul Nielsen



Radha Radhakrishna

Participant	Position	Present (Y/N)
Jonny Sägänger (JS)	SI President	Y
Carla Kristensen (CK)	SI Vice President	Y
Kiat Y Tan (KT)	SI General Secretary	N
Paige LaCombe (PLC)	SI Peace Secretary	Y
Radha Radhakrishna (RBR)	SI Treasurer	Y
Jim Leask (JL)	Co - SI Membership & Technology Secretary (MTS)	Y
Paul Nielsen (PN)	Co - SI Membership & Technology Secretary (MTS)	optional

By invitation: None this time.

Pre-announced difficulty to participate: Kiat Y Tan

Goals

Being on track with fulfilling SI GA 2018 decisions and SI Exco tasks according to the SI statutes.

Minutes recording: *Jim Leask (JL)*

Time keeper: Paige LaCombe (PLC)

Criteria for agenda items

Items are in priority order.

Decision Item (DEI) = needs immediate decisions. Long or short discussion.

Discussion and Decision Item (DDI) = Item that requires discussion & possibly involves decision

Discussion Item (DII) = Item that involves discussion and brainstorming

Update item (UI) = Normally documented in SI Exco members monthly status report; only short discussion

Information item (II) = On brand new ideas or earlier SI Exco decisions. Normally documented in SI Exco members monthly in status report; only short discussion.

Agenda

Item	Time (UTC)	Item subject	Who	Reference & background material	Minutes (Notes, decisions, tasks, who & deadlines):
1.0	13.45-14.00	Chit-chat: "Social round"	optional		
2.0	14.00-14.05	Today's agenda: Any important last minute items for the agenda?	Jonny Sägänger Kiat Y Tan		Minutes:
2.1		Zoom account		Question on if the zoom account is setup for SI.	Radha will setup the zoom account for use by SI. The account is needed for an upcoming meeting. <input type="checkbox"/> Jim Leask Radha Radhakrishna Setup the zoom account in conjunction with ICT. 22 Feb 2021
3.0	14.05-14.15		Paige LaCombe	Update on UNCSW65 (PL) The sixty-fifth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (UNCSW65) will take place from 15 to 26 March 2021.	Minutes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ SI can bring more delegates than the usual 20 because UNCSW65 is a virtual conference this year. ■ We have about 28 delegates going to the CSW conference this year. ■ Confluence is being used for all members of CSW. ■ Reports will be uploaded on Confluence after the conference is done. ■ By having the conference setup and reports in Confluence, it will be easier to repeat next year. ■ There is a WhatsApp group for chat for the group. Plan to move to Signal for chat next year. ■ SI Exco is glad to report that this year there is also representation from African countries who wouldn't be able to attend if it was a physical meeting.
4.0	14.15-14.30		Jonny Sägänger Radha Radhakrishna	Reports	Minutes:
4.1				Report on SI Registration with a registration number and the application for tax-exempt status.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ■ SI will be able to register and get tax exempt status in Switzerland. This requires us to make changes to SI's statutes as per our discussion with the Swiss authorities. As per our statutes, these statutes changes need to be approved in a SI general assembly. SI Exco will be proposing to the SI member groups through a SI Distant Vote that SI Exco arranges an extra-ordinary SI general assembly (E-SIGA) for this purpose. The changes proposed by the Swiss authorities to our statutes are minimal. A copy of the changes will be made available to general assembly well before the vote, as stipulated by the SI statutes.

5.0	14.30-14.55	SI Distant Vote May 2021 (DEI)	Kiat Y Tan Jonny Sägänger Radha Radhakhri ishna	a) SI DV timetable (KT) b) Motions for May 2021 SI DV: 1. SI Funding Model (structural changes proposed by SI DVA). Download new version of the SI DV motion in Nextcloud here (log in needed). 2. Distant Extraordinary Servas International General Assembly (E-SIGA). Download the SI DV motion in Nextcloud here (log in needed). 3. Servas Tanzania to become SI member group. Motion here. Download the SI DV motion in Nextcloud here (log in needed). 4. SI DV motion to accept the Audited SI financial reports for 2019-20. Download the SI DV motion in Nextcloud here (log in needed). 5. SI DV motion to approve SI financial reports every November DV as routine business. Download the SI DV motion in Nextcloud here (log in needed).	Minutes: Decision: The motions 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 have been approved by SI Exco for a vote in the SI DV in May. <input type="checkbox"/> Jonny Sägänger & Kiat Y Tan will share the motions with the SI DV Administrator for further processing. 22 Feb 2021
6.0	14:55-15:00	SI Exco member's verbal and written reports Questions about the reports, anyone?	Kiat Y Tan Paige LaCombe Jim Leask Carla Kristensen Jonny Sägänger Radha Radhakhri ishna	Please upload your written reports in Nextcloud, 24 hours before the meeting starts. Insert the weblink to your report in Nextcloud (accessible via Nextcloud with appropriate sharing permissions).	Minutes: No questions or discussion on the reports.
	15.00-15:05	Stretch Legs			
7.0	15:05-15:20	Discussion and Decision Item: Three SI MTS motions (DII)	Jim Leask	Four SI MTS motions for discussion	Minutes:
7.1				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Motion - Affiliate Members 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SI MTS will update affiliate member motion with info need more information on what data is available to the affiliate member, and clarify how the member interacts with the member group to join In principle SI Exco agrees with the concept of having affiliate members as outlined in the proposed motion.
7.2				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Motion - Members can control their Host /Traveller status 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SI MTS will work with Servas Member groups to refine the details needed In principle SI Exco agrees that members should be in more automation and refinement of the hosting and travelling procedures and status.
7.3				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Motion - Membership by Interview or Referral 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> In principle, SI Exco agrees that a membership process based on referrals is worth pursuing. SI heard anecdotes of how some countries already use a similar informal process in some cases for their country membership.

7.4				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Motion - Static (stored) PDF Host Lists will not be supported 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ In principle, SI Exco agrees to the elimination of use of static (stored) PDF Host Lists. SI MTS will work through the details to propose a final motion for vote.
8.0	15.20-15.25	Update item. (UI)	Radha Radhakrishna	Update on SI financials (RBR)	<p>Minutes:</p> <p>1) Most countries have paid their fees, despite 2020 being a tough year. There are a few that are yet to pay. Of the total receivable amount of CHF 56,280 for the year, SI has already received CHF 46,850 as of 15th of February.</p> <p>2. On top of that, we have also received extra funds this year from some countries over and above the fees payable by them, some of it paid in advance for 2021 and some as donations. Three countries that made sizeable donations this year are Canada, Switzerland and Spain.</p> <p>3. More details on the SI financials will be presented in the next SINB (SINB-1-2021).</p>
9.0	15.25-15.30	SI News Bulletin (SINB) (UI)	Jonny Sägänger Carla Kristensen	Proposal for SI News Bulletin (SINB) Editor in Chief	<p>Minutes:</p> <p>Michael Johnson of Servas Canada has accepted the role as Editor in Chief of SI News Bulletin.</p> <p>SI Exco welcomes MJ in his new role starting on April 1, 2021.</p>
10.0	15:30-15:35	Update (UI)	Kiat Y Tan Jonny Sägänger	SI Annual Report 2020 templates to be sent out to: A) Servas countries. Deadline: ? B) SI officers and other key persons. Deadline: ?	<p>Minutes:</p> <p>SI GS distributed the templates on February 20, 2021.</p>
11.0	15:35-15:45	Open space for SI Exco member's proposed items Items anyone?	Kiat Y Tan Paige LaCombe Jim Leask Carla Kristensen Jonny Sägänger Radha Radhakrishna		
11.0	15:45-15:50	Next meetings – time and dates		<p>Proposals:</p> <p>(Proposed regular time: third Sunday every month UTC 14.00-16.00 (1 hour later during summer months). The time and /or date gets adjusted if the ServasOnline Team meeting date is adjusted)</p> <p>2021-04-15 UTC 14.00-16.00</p> <p>2021-05-15 UTC 14.00-16.00</p> <p>2021-06-19 UTC 14.00-16.00</p> <p>2021-07-18 UTC 14.00-16.00</p> <p>2021-08-15 UTC 14.00-16.00</p> <p>2021-09-19 UTC 14.00-16.00</p> <p>2021-10-17 UTC 14.00-16.00</p> <p>2021-11-21 UTC 14.00-16.00</p> <p>2021-12-19 UTC 14.00-16.00</p>	<p>Minutes:</p> <p>Next meeting:</p> <p>Decision: 2021-03-21 UTC 14.00-16.00</p>
12.0	15:50-16:00	Instant minutes	All	Review the minutes so they can be finalized.	

	Time:	End of meeting: 16:25 UTC	Paige LaCombe		

Task Summary

Incomplete Tasks from this meeting

Description	Due date	Assignee	Task appears on
<input type="checkbox"/> Jim Leask Radha Radhakrishna Setup the zoom account in conjunction with ICT. 22 Feb 2021	22 Feb 2021	Jim Leask	2021-02-21 SI Exco Meeting agenda & minutes
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Completed Tasks

Task report

Get going, no tasks completed yet.

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