

The Executive Committee of UISPP met online using the google Meet platform, being present the following members with voting rights (one by commission in agreement with UISPP status):

François Djindjian (President), Marta Arzarello (secretary-general, Vice-president of the “Lower Palaeolithic” commission), Alessandro Guidi & (“History of Archaeology” commission president), Françoise Bostyn (“Flint Minings in Pre and Protohistoric Europe” commission president), Iwona Sobkowiak-Tabaka & Mara Weber (“The Final Palaeolithic of Northern Eurasia” commission president & treasurer), Dragos Gheorghiu (“Neolithic Civilization of the Mediterranean Europe” commission secretary), Valeriu Sirbu & Maria Magdalena Stefan (“Mortuary practices in Prehistory and Protohistory” commission president & secretary), Estela Mansur (“Human occupations in Mountain Environments” commission president), Eva David (“Modified Bones and Shells” commission president), Erika Robrahn-Gonzalez (“Archaeological heritage policies and management structures” commission president), Julie Arnaud (“Biological Anthropology” commission Secretary), Larbi Boudad & Jalil Bouzouggar (“North African Prehistory” commission president & vice-president), Mareike Cordula Stahlschmidt (“Pyroarchaeology” commission secretary), Lea Herculat (“Archeogeography” commission delegate), Dirk Brandherm (“Metal ages in Europe” commission president), Emmanuel Anati (“The Intellectual and Spiritual Expressions of Non-Literate Societies” commission president), Bela Török (“Archaeometry of Pre- and Protohistoric Inorganic Artifacts, Materials and Technologies” commission president), Slawomir Kadrow (“Preventive Archaeology” commission president), Christophe Falguères (“Chronologies and constraints of prehistoric sites in Eurasia”, commission president), Barbara Barich (“Art and Civilization in the Sahara Prehistoric Times”, commission president), Árpád Ringer (“Middle Palaeolithic Bifacial Tools, Backed bifaces and leaf points in Western Eurasia” commission president), Madalin Bunoiu (President of the XX UISPP congress in Timisoara)

The committee met from 17.00 pm, with the following agenda:

1. Introduction by the President
2. Report of the secretary-general
3. Report of the Treasurer. Balance 2020, budget 2021
4. Advancement state of the XXth UISPP congress at Timisoara (Romania)
5. Publications of UISPP
6. Project Progress Report "Prehistoric and Protohistoric Societies Facing Climate Change" and perspectives
7. Organisation of the UISPP board
8. Other issues

1. INTRODUCTION BY THE PRESIDENT

The global Covid 19 pandemic has had serious consequences for scientific associations organizing congresses. This is also the case for the UISPP. The XIX World Congress scheduled for September 2020 in Meknes, Morocco, our first World Congress on the African continent, was postponed to September 2021, then held only remotely.

We thank the secretary of the steering committee, Larbi Boudad and all his team, for the efforts made to organize this congress, as well as the board of the UISPP, and especially Marta Arzarello and also the scientific commissions of the UISPP, who organized the 33 sessions of the congress which will nevertheless allow a beautiful publication of the proceedings.

The scientific strength of the UISPP lies in the existence and dynamism of its scientific commissions that link the global network of prehistorians and protohistorians. This network must be constantly reactivated to

replace retiring members with a new generation of researchers and to organize specialized symposia on the themes of each commission.

We must set ourselves two objectives that do not seem so ambitious: a minimum of 15 members per commission and 40 commissions, allowing the UISPP to have a permanent base of 600 members and congresses whose participations exceed 1500 registered. The institutional fee, which was reviewed in 2019, must meet the success it deserves thanks to the promotion that UISPP members will make of it in their own institution. But in the short term, we are asking the commissions to be up to date with their 2020-2022 fees before the end of this year.

The treasurer's financial report informs us that the UISPP is going through the pandemic better than many other scientific organizations because we have very few fixed costs, as shown by the 2020 balance sheet which is miraculously in balance.

We have two years to prepare for the XX Congress in Timisoara, Romania. It is the work of all UISPP members to do so now by deciding on the sessions they will organize.

2. REPORT OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

The general secretary congratulates the organizing committee of the XIX UISPP Congress for the excellent success of the event. Although the congress was held online and the decision was made late, it proved to be a great success. 33 sessions were organized, and more than 300 communications were made.

The secretary general underlines the problems linked to the payment of the subscription fees to the UISPP. Of the 31 committees present, only 11 presidents paid the membership fee. The secretary general also underlines how many commissions have been totally inactive and proposes a reflection on the need to initiate a procedure for closing or complete renewal of some commissions.

3. REPORT OF THE TREASURER. BALANCE 2020, BUDGET 2021

The President, F. Djindjian, illustrate the UISPP balance 2020 and the budget 2021. The pandemic has disrupted the normal functioning of the UISPP, particularly world congresses and inter-congress conferences that have been postponed, cancelled or held online. These disruptions resulted in a delay and decrease in the payment of UISPP members' fees that severely affected the UISPP operating account. As a result, the expenses item has been reduced to a minimum in order to ensure the future of the UISPP. Fortunately, the amount of fees registered at the Paris Congress in 2018, and paid by the University of Paris 1 at the beginning of 2019, allowed the UISPP to withstand the crisis and to be able to hope for an improvement in 2023, because the year 2022 will be a year without significant income.

Balance sheet 2020

- ✓ With an amount of income of € 1,664, and a positive result of € 293, the 2020 balance sheet of the UISPP is the weakest and the worst since the creation of the legal entity in 2012.
- ✓ The revenue from registrations for the world Congress recorded in 2019 and 2020 for a total amount of € 3,300 will be carried over to the XX world Congress in Timisoara in 2023.
- ✓ The UAI Project "Prehistoric Societies and Climate Change" has received grants for a total amount of €8,062 which will be dedicated to financing the publication of the first two volumes scheduled for late 2021 early 2022

Trésorerie au 1/01/2020

178 689,87

•	Compte courant	101 088,91
•	Livret A association	77 600,96
•	Réserves inscriptions XIX ^e congrès UISPP pour 2020	200,00

• Réserves projet UAI 2018/2019 pour 2020	13 493,02
• Trésorerie au 31/12/2020	195 021,36
• Compte courant	67 016,23
• Livret A association	78 005,13
• Parts sociales BPRI	50 000,00
• Réserves inscriptions XIX ^o congrès UISPP pour 2021	3 300,00
• Réserves projet UAI 2018/2019/2020 pour 2021	21 555,24

Compte principal de cotisations

Recettes 2020 **1 664,35**

• Cotisations membres individuels 2020-2022	760,18
• Cotisations membres institutionnels 2020-2022	500,00
• Revenus financiers 404,17	

Dépenses 2020 **1369,90**

• Cotisation CIPSH	600,00
• Cotisation UAI	728,00
• Frais financiers	5,00
• Commissions rapatriement	0
• Frais de mission	0
• Frais encaissement cartes bancaires	36,90

Résultat 2020 **293,45**

Compte XVIII^o congrès UISPP Paris 2018 (définitif et clos)

• Total recettes	78 474,23
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Compte Projet UAI « Sociétés préhistoriques et changements climatiques »

• Réserves 2019 pour 2020	13 493,02
• Revenus 2020	8 062,22
• Total réserves pour 2021	21 555,24

Compte XIX^o congrès UISPP Meknès 2020

• Revenus Inscriptions 2019	200,00
• Revenus Inscriptions 2020	3 100,00

Total réserves pour 2021	3 300,00
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In accounting 31/08/2021

✓ The income of €7,100 comes mainly from the contributions of individual UISPP members, committee members and participants in the online congress. The amount recorded

on 31/08/2021 is insufficient compared to the number of committee members (more than 400) and communicators at the congress (330). This is an amount of €20,000 in contributions and not €6,200 that should have been received this year. An effort is requested from the board of the commissions to ensure that their members are up to date with their membership fees for the period 2020-2022, and this before 31/12/2021.

✓ The expenses of €1,484 as at 31/08/ 2021 mainly correspond to the annual contributions to the UAI and the CIPSH.

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Compte principal de cotisations	
Recettes 2021	7 110,00
• Cotisations membres individuels 2020-2022	6 200,00
• Cotisations membres institutionnels 2020-2022	0,00
• Revenus financiers	910,00
Dépenses 2020	1 484,00
• Cotisation CIPSH	600,00
• Cotisation UA	1 744,00
• Frais financiers	0,00
• Commissions rapatriement	140,00
• Frais de mission	0
• Frais encaissement cartes bancaires	0
Résultat 2020	5 626,00
Compte Projet UAI « Sociétés préhistoriques et changements climatiques »	21 555,24
• Total réserves pour 2021	21 555,24
• Revenus 2021	0
Compte XIX^o congrès UISPP Mekkès 2020	3 300,00
• Total réserves pour 2021	3 300,00
Inscriptions 2021	0

- ✓ Les commissions doivent convaincre leurs membres de payer leurs cotisations 2020-2022
- ✓ Les membres de l'UISPP doivent convaincre leur institution de devenir membre institutionnel de l'UISPP (500€ / an)
- ✓ Commissions must convince their members to pay their 2020-2022 fees.
- ✓ UISPP members must convince their institution to become an institutional member of the UISPP (500€ / year)

4. ADVANCEMENT STATE OF THE XXTH UISPP CONGRESS AT TIMISOARA (ROMANIA)

The progress of the organization of the Timisoara congress is illustrated by Madalin Bunoiu (**ANNEXE 1**).

5. UISPP PUBLICATIONS

The general secretary list all publications made by the UISPP after the Paris Congress:

The XVIII^e UISPP World Congress in Paris (4-9 June 2018) - ARCHAEPRESS PUBLICATIONS - PROCEEDINGS

1. UNDERSTANDING AND ACCESSIBILITY OF PRE-AND PROTO-HISTORICAL RESEARCH ISSUES: SITES, MUSEUMS AND COMMUNICATION STRATEGIES - Edited by Davide Delfino & Valentino Nizzo
2. NEW ADVANCES IN THE HISTORY OF ARCHAEOLOGY - Edited by Sophie A. de Beaune, Alessandro Guidi, Oscar Moro Abadía, Massimo Tarantini.
3. CONTRIBUTION OF CERAMIC TECHNOLOGICAL APPROACHES TO THE ANTHROPOLOGY AND ARCHAEOLOGY OF PRE- AND PROTOHISTORIC SOCIETIE - Edited by François Giligny, Ekaterina Dolbunova, Louise Gomart, Alexandre Livingstone Smith and Sophie Méry. Paperback
4. NEOLITHIC AND BRONZE AGE STUDIES IN EUROPE: FROM MATERIAL CULTURE TO TERRITORIES - Edited by Marie Besse and François Giligny
5. EARTHEN CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY - Edited by Annick Daneels and Maria Torras Freix
6. FROM MINE TO USER: PRODUCTION AND PROCUREMENT SYSTEMS OF SILICEOUS ROCKS IN THE EUROPEAN NEOLITHIC AND BRONZE AGE - Edited by Françoise Bostyn, François Giligny and Peter Topping
7. EARTHEN CONSTRUCTION TECHNOLOGY - Edited by Annick Daneels and Maria Torras Freixa - Buy now
8. MOBILITY AND EXCHANGE ACROSS BORDERS: EXPLORING SOCIAL PROCESSES IN EUROPE DURING THE FIRST MILLENNIUM BCE – THEORETICAL AND METHODOLOGICAL APPROACHES - Edited by Veronica Cicolani
9. FROM MINE TO USER: PRODUCTION AND PROCUREMENT SYSTEMS OF SILICEOUS ROCKS IN THE EUROPEAN NEOLITHIC AND BRONZE AGE - Edited by Françoise Bostyn, François Giligny and Peter Topping
10. PEINTURES ET GRAVURES RUPESTRES DES AMÉRIQUES : EMPREINTES CULTURELLES ET TERRITORIALES - Edité par Brigitte Faugère et Philippe Costa
11. CHARACTERISATION, CONTINUITES ET DISCONTINUITES DES MANIFESTATIONS GRAPHIQUES DES SOCIETES PREHISTORIQUES - Edité par Elena Paillet, Marcela Sepulveda, Eric Robert, Patrick Paillet and Nicolas Mélard. Paperback
12. DIFFERENT TIMES? ARCHAEOLOGICAL AND ENVIRONMENTAL DATA FROM INTRA-SITE AND OFF-SITE SEQUENCES - Edité par Zoï Tsirtsoni, Catherine Kuzucuoğlu, Philippe Nondédéo, Olivier Weller
13. PRE AND PROTOHISTORIC STONE ARCHITECTURES: COMPARISONS OF THE SOCIAL AND TECHNICAL CONTEXTS ASSOCIATED TO THEIR BUILDING - Edité par Florian Cousseau and Luc Laporte
14. STONE IN THE METAL AGES. Proceedings of the XVIII UISPP World Congress (4-9 June 2018, Paris, France) Volume 6, Session XXXIV-6 edited by Francesca Manclossi, Florine Marchand, Linda Boutoille and Sylvie Cousseran-Néré.
15. MAPPING THE PAST: FROM SAMPLING SITES AND LANDSCAPES TO EXPLORING THE 'ARCHAEOLOGICAL CONTINUUM'. Proceedings of the XVIII UISPP World Congress (4-9 June 2018, Paris, France) Volume 8 Session VIII-1 edited by Michel Dabas, Stefano Campana and Apostolos Sarris.
16. NEOLITHIC AND BRONZE AGE STUDIES IN EUROPE: FROM MATERIAL CULTURE TO TERRITORIES. PROCEEDINGS of the XVIII UISPP World Congress (4-9 June 2018, Paris, France) Volume 13 Session I-4 edited by Marie Besse and François Giligny.
17. STUDIES ON THE PALAEOOLITHIC OF WESTERN EURASIA. Proceedings of the XVIII UISPP World Congress (4-9 June 2018, Paris, France) Volume 14, Session XVII-4 & Session XVII-6 edited by György Lengyel, Jarosław Wilczyński, Marta Sánchez de la Torre, Xavier Mangado, Josep Maria Fullola.
18. BIG DATA AND ARCHAEOLOGY. Proceedings of the XVIII UISPP World Congress (4-9 June 2018, Paris, France) Volume 15, Session III-1 edited by François Djindjian and Paola Moscati.
19. ADVANCES IN THE HISTORY OF ARCHAEOLOGY. Proceedings of the XVIII UISPP World Congress (4-9 June 2018, Paris, France) Volume 16 (Sessions Organised by the History of Archaeology Scientific Commission at the XVIII World UISPP) edited by Sophie A. de Beaune, Alessandro Guidi, Oscar Moro Abadía, Massimo Tarantini.

20. UNDERSTANDING AND ACCESSIBILITY OF PRE-AND PROTO-HISTORICAL RESEARCH ISSUES: SITES, MUSEUMS AND COMMUNICATION STRATEGIES. Proceedings of the XVIII UISPP World Congress (4-9 June 2018, Paris, France) Volume 17, Session XXXV-1 edited by Davide Delfino and Valentino Nizzo.

The XVIII° UISPP World Congress in Paris (4-9 June 2018) – UISPP JOURNAL – SPECIAL ISSUE

1. VOLUME 2 - September 2019 - Special Issue (Thematic Volume) n° 2- THROUGH TIME, SPACE AND SPECIES: IMPLICATION OF NEW DISCOVERIES, TECHNOLOGICAL DEVELOPMENTS AND DATA DIFFUSION IMPROVEMENT IN BIOLOGICAL ANTHROPOLOGY
2. VOLUME 2 - March 2019 - Special Issue (Thematic Volume) n°1 - NEW RESULTS AND ANALYTICAL METHODS FOR THE CHARACTERIZATION OF PRE- AND PROTOHISTORIC METALS AND OTHER INORGANIC MATERIALS
3. VOLUME 3 - 1 January 2021 - Special Issue (Thematic Volume) n° 1- INTERACTIONS, NETWORKS AND ROUTES WITHIN AND THROUGH MOUNTAIN RANGES
4. VOLUME 3 - 2 September 2021 - Special Issue (Thematic Volume) n° 2- THE VARIABILITY OF BIFACIAL TOOLS IN THE MIDDLE PALAEOOLITHIC AND THEIR IMPORTANCE IN THE TRANSITION TO THE UPPER PALAEOOLITHIC IN WESTERN EURASIA: RAW MATERIAL, TECHNO-TYPOLOGY, CHRONOLOGY AND INTERACTIONS IN THEIR ENVIRONMENTAL AND CULTURAL CONTEXT

The XVIII° UISPP World Congress in Paris (4-9 June 2018) - JOURNAL OF ARCHAEOLOGICAL SCIENCE - PROCEEDINGS

FUNCTIONAL STUDIES OF PREHISTORIC ARTEFACTS AND THEIR SOCIO-ECONOMIC MEANING - Editors: Alfred Pawlik, Andreu Ollé, Belén Marquez, Laura Longo & Natalia Skakun

The XVIII° UISPP World Congress in Paris (4-9 June 2018) - AFRICAN ARCHEOLOGICAL REVIEW - SPECIAL ISSUE

SOCIAL AND CULTURAL DYNAMICS IN NORTH AFRICA DURING THE HOLOCENE - Editors: Giulio Lucarini and Jörg Linstädter

The XVIII° UISPP World Congress in Paris (4-9 June 2018) - MATERIALS AND MNUFACTURING PROCESS-PROCEEDINGS

Volume 35, Issue 15 (2020)

The XVIII° UISPP World Congress in Paris (4-9 June 2018) - JOURNAL OF PALAEOOLITHIC ARCHAEOLOGY

The bifacial shaping phenomenon over time and space Journal of Palaeolithic Archaeology. Vol 4:1

The XVIII° UISPP World Congress in Paris (4-9 June 2018) - QUATERNARY INTERNATIONAL

COASTAL PREHISTORY AND SUBMERGED LANDSCAPES: MOLLUSCAN RESOURCES, SHELL-MIDDENS AND UNDERWATER INVESTIGATIONS - Edited by Geoff Bailey & Karen Hardy.

The XVIII° UISPP World Congress in Paris (4-9 June 2018) - BSPF

1. MAGDALENIAN CHRONO-STRATIGRAPHIC CORRELATIONS » AND CULTURAL CONNECTIONS BETWEEN CANTABRIAN SPAIN AND SOUTHWEST FRANCE... AND BEYOND - Edited by Lawrence Guy Straus et Mathieu Langlais
2. LA SPECIALISATION DES PRODUCTIONS ET LES SPECIALISTES - Edited by Rebecca Peake, Sylvain Bauvais, Caroline Hamon and Claude Mordant

The XVIII° UISPP World Congress in Paris (4-9 June 2018) - Archéologie Sociétés et Environnement

Vol 2- Issue 1 - <http://www.openscience.fr/Issue-1-592>

6. PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT "PREHISTORIC AND PROTOHISTORIC SOCIETIES FACING CLIMATE CHANGE" AND PERSPECTIVES

The President summarized the progress of the work:

- ✓ The first two volumes are ready to publish
- ✓ Volume 1 Pleistocene 12 chapters
- ✓ Volume 2 Holocene 13 chapters
- ✓ Contract with editor Brepols in progress
- ✓ Agenda of publication 12-2021 / 03-2022
- ✓ UAI asks for continuing the project 2022-2023
- ✓ We are expecting proposals of contributions from the UISPP commissions for volume 3 and 4

7. ORGANISATION OF THE UISPP BOARD

According to the statute of the UISPP, the President and the General Secretary will be in charge until the Congress of Timisoara (where a new election will be organized):

Art 10/3 - The tenure of the president is for a period of six (6) years, once renewable for a period of three (3) years, as long as he/she did not reach the age limit of 70 years when voting.

Art. 11/5 - §5. The tenure of the secretary general is for a period of six (6) years, once renewable for a period of three (3) years, as long as he/she did not reach the age limit of 70 years when voting.

Following the resignation of the treasurer A. Sarris, J. Arnaud was temporarily appointed acting and, according to the art 12/6 of the statute, the general secretary will be the treasurer at interim till a new treasurer is appointed.

8. OTHER ISSUES

Due to lack of time, the reports of the commissions are not discussed during the EC but are sent as an annex to these minutes (**ANNEXE 2**).

Candidatures for XXI^o worldwide congress 2026: a candidature letter has been received by the University of Poznan (Poland) (**ANNEXE 3**) and an oral engagement was made by the Queen's University of Belfast (UK) for 2029. The decision on this will be taken at the next EC meeting.