HES Executive Meeting - January 2025

Action Points

1) Financial Review Committee

The committee reviewed the Society's accounts and financial documents and found no irregularities.

2) Treasurer

Neil Niman will work with the Executive Committee on a strategy to restructure the Society's investment portfolio.

3) Vice President

The Executive Committee decided to initiate a procedure of constitutional amendment to include the Vice President as a fifth voting member of the Conference Planning Committee, to be discussed during the business meeting in Richmond this coming June.

4) Secretary

- a) The Secretary will prepare written mandates for the Society's different committees.
- b) The Executive approved a proposal for collaboration with the International Society for Intellectual History, which will select early career scholars to receive stipends to participate in the Richmond conference.
- c) The Executive decided to discontinue the *ad hoc* Outreach Committee and transfer part of its mandate to the Growth and Outreach Committee.

5) Social Media

The Digital Information Manager will create an account for the Society on Bluesky.

6) Distinguished Fellow

The Executive Committee approved the recommendation received from the Distinguished Fellows Committee, to nominate Annie Cot as the 2025 HES Distinguished Fellow.

7) Early-Career Scholars

Recommendations received from the Early-Career Scholars Committee were approved. Maximiliano Jara-Barrera, Minseok Jang and Isadora Pelegrini Silva will be offered the three remaining grants budgeted for this year.

8) Growth and Outreach Fund

Recommendations received from the Growth and Outreach Committee were approved. The Executive will invite revisions to the sole proposal received during the latest cycle.

9) Elections

The recommendations received from the Nominating Committee were approved. We will invite Pedro Garcia Duarte to stand for election as the next Vice President, David Andrews as the new Treasurer, and Ariane Dupont-Kiefer and Andrej Svorencik to one open position as at-large member of the Executive Committee.

10) Proposal to create a new category of service recognition

The Executive will prepare a proposal for a new prize recognizing individuals who have contributed outstanding service to the Society, to be discussed during the Richmond executive meeting.