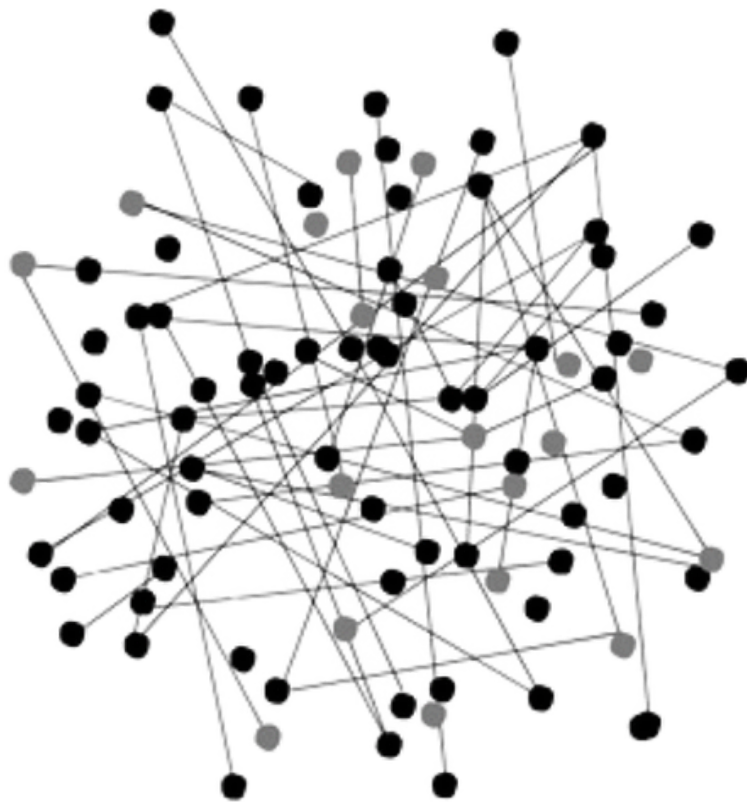


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# CIROS General Assembly #1



**CIROS**  
IRO COMMUNITY

## **Agenda**

The members unanimously approved the Agenda.

## **Welcome & Check-In**

A check-in was conducted with the members. The Secretary updated the attendance of the Commissioners. President Katrin thanked the present members for their attendance and opened the General Assembly.

## **Board Introduction**

The Board Members introduced themselves to the present members and highlighted their roles within the association. The board members introduced their contact points with the (working) members and talked about the aspects they are looking forward to for the upcoming academic year.

## **Committee Head Introduction**

Internal Officers Fiona and Apolline introduced their respective Committees and welcomed all Committee Heads present at the General Assembly. The Committee Heads quickly introduced themselves to the rest of the present members.

## **Club Head Introduction**

Internal Officers Fiona and Apolline introduced the Club Heads for the Photography, Debate, and CIROSMag Club. Internal Officer Apolline further announced that the applications for ReadCycle are still open and that a new team will be formed soon. The board members encouraged people to join this club.

## **Advisory Board (AdBo) Introduction**

VP Adhara introduced the role of the advisory board, namely advising the board and mediating in conflict situations. She further introduced the candidates for this year's Advisory Board: Daria Aron, Nestor Olsommer, and Aurelio Barbier. The candidates were not present, but the Secretary announced that the voting link will include a section to vote for them.

## **Budget Proposal**

The Treasurer presented the plan for this year's Committee budgets which has been confirmed with last year's Treasurer. The budget presented the money allocated in August so some expenses that have already been made in September were not included. The money allocated to each Committee has not been changed from the previous year. A vote for the Budget was included in the link sent to members after the GA.

## **Roadmap**

President Katrin explained the Board's overarching goals for CIROS this year. The Board aims to professionalize CIROS further through more guest lectures and Alumni networking events.

The "Committee Olympics" were introduced this year which are a competition among the Committees based on a score calculated by the Board. The point system is based on the number of events, attended Committee Head Meetings, Commissioners attending the GA, and the number of PR proposals that were submitted on time. The event numbers are counted based on the submitted event reports so events for which there is no report will not be counted. This system aims to increase working members' engagement and motivation.

Secretary Elaine presented the current standings:

1st Place: Social Committee, Student Support Committee

2nd Place: Regional Committee, Goodwill Committee

3rd Place: Academic Committee, Sports Committee, Arts & Media Committee, Trips Committee

President Katrin explained another goal, which is the organization of more interfaculty events with other student and study associations such as Fortuna and Custodia, with whom CIROS had a successful event during IROC Month.

More goals are the engagement of third years through more events about Masters and events for exchange students. Lastly, more editions of CIROSMag and new collaborations and partnerships are on the agenda for this academic year.

## **Partnerships & Collaborations**

External Officer Ania presented the active partnerships, which are a discount at PerronxCoffee for hot drinks and Stanza Bookshop for academic books. She explained that the Board is working on more discounts. When it comes to collaborations, there are events with Picasso groups, BASIS, SPIL, and Queer Leiden University coming up.

## **Upcoming Events**

Internal Officer Fiona explained that the IRO'24 Graduation party will be happening on the 19th of October at the Grey Space in The Middle. The event is open to all students. Moreover, the study sessions for first-year students happened on Monday in Collaboration with SPIL. The Picasso Group collaboration Party will be happening on the 14th of November, and CIROS members will get a 10% Discount with the Code: CIROSPARTY1. The Australian Embassy visit has unfortunately been canceled but will be rescheduled for a later date.

## **Policy Proposals**

Secretary Elaine explained that all proposals will be voted on through the voting link that will be sent later in the week. She introduced the amendments to the policy manual proposed by the board.

### **9.10.1.1. Student Support Committee Head Term**

This proposal aims to remove the exceptional clause for the Student Support Committee (SSC) Head. The board believes that the current rule where the SSC Committee head stays in place even after the beginning of the following year is not realistic because students will be graduating or doing an exchange semester. The Board believes that it makes more sense to let all new Committee Heads start at the same time.

### **9.10.1. Terms of Committee Heads**

The Secretary explains that this article has to be amended in the case that the previous article will be removed.

### **9.10.2. Coordination of IROC Month**

Secretary Elaine explains that the Board believes that the Student Support Committee Head alone is not able to coordinate IROC month due to the high number of events and responsibilities. The Board proposes the inclusion of the board in the coordination process to ensure smooth functioning and a clear overview.

### **9.10.2.3. Communication during IROC Month**

The Board believes that handling the communication for IROC Month through the SSC Committee Head complicates the working process. The board must be informed about all events to approve proposals, create tickets, handle signups, etc. The board therefore proposes to move the communication directly to the Board to ensure a smoother working process for all Committee Heads.

### **9.4.3. Status of Club Heads**

The board proposes to turn Club Heads into Commissioners to ensure better communication and accountability between Clubs and their overseeing Committee Head. Secretary Elaine explains that, in the past, Clubs were often disconnected from their respective Committee and, as a consequence, not active throughout the year.

## **Reminders**

The Secretary reminded all members to pick up their membership stickers at the end of the General Assembly or during office hours. She further explained that all CIROS Commissioners have to be CIROS members and reminded everyone to buy a membership if they haven't done so. The Board encouraged all members to reach out with any questions or concerns and asked them to be active on Discord since all updates will be posted there, and Committee communication should also be moved to this platform. The President announced that all Commissioners with a specific role (PR, Treasurer, Vice CH, Secretary) would be given access to the Committee Workspace on Notion soon and encouraged everyone to familiarize themselves with it. The Secretary reminded Committee Heads to assign these positions if they have not done so. Finally, the Board reminded the Committee Heads to submit all event reports a maximum of seven days after an event.

## **Feedback & Questions**

A question about the deadline for PR proposals was posed. The Board responded that the deadline will remain 14 days before an event, but exceptions can be made in communication with the PR Committee Head.

The Board announced that the next General Assembly will be held in early December and emphasized that attendance remains mandatory for all Commissioners.

The President thanked everyone for their attendance and closed the General Assembly.