

Minutes
IAPTC Extraordinary Executive Committee Meeting (ECM)
21 April 2021 (VTC)

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION/ DELIBERATIONS	AGREEMENT / DECISION
1. Opening Remarks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - President delivered the opening remarks, highlighting the objectives of the meeting, thanking EC members for their participation and introducing new members: new President and staff, new Host 2022 (Kenya) and new Head of Secretariat. - The Secretariat and Executive Committee members delivered their opening remarks. 	<p>N/A</p>
2. President's report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The presidency highlighted the implications of the COVID-19 pandemic and briefed the EC members on the online activities carried out within the framework of the IAPTC during the extension of Peru's Presidency for an additional year: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Presidency presented the summary of the webinar organized by ALCOPAZ titled "ALCOPAZ beyond borders", on November 10 and 11, 2020. • The presidency presented the status of the 25th Annual Conference final report. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The 25th Annual Conference final report will be shared with the Executive Committee members for their comments and contributions by the end of May. - The Editors expect to get the feedback and contributions from the ExCom during the month of June - The final version will be ready for the ECM in July 2021.
3. Secretariat's updates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Secretariat provided an update on its activities: Updating the IAPTC website on a regular basis, advice and support to the Presidency, follow-up with BIPSOT and IPSTC representatives, follow-up with potential hosts for the 27th annual conference, increasing IAPTC social media engagement. 	<p>N/A</p>

<p>4. Status of the 26th Annual Conference</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - BIPSOT is ready to host the ECM on 4-6 July 2021 and the 26th annual conference 7-11 November 2021 in person. - Majority of members opined that organizing a full in-person annual conference is difficult and highlighted the following points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The vaccination process should be taken into account, especially for members travelling from developing countries. • The COVID-19 pandemic is still presenting unprecedented uncertainty and the Association should adapt to the limitations imposed by the pandemic and consider the possibility of organizing an online conference. • Several members preferred to hold the ECM virtually in July 2021. • Several members envisaged the possibility of holding the annual conference virtually in November or through a hybrid model to have both in-person and online participation. - The Secretariat (CCCPA) briefed the EC members on the virtual Aswan Forum hosted in March 2021 by CCCPA using a flexible hybrid model. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Bangladesh Quarantine Rules and Regulations will be shared by BIPOST, in case the conference will be held in person. - The EC members supported the Presidency and the Secretariat proposal to carry out a general survey to get an indication of actual attendance and decide on the proceedings and the modality of the Annual conference in November 2021 (Online, Hybrid or in-person). - The EC members agreed to hold the ECM virtually in July. - In case the 26th annual conference will be held virtually, the Secretariat (CCCPA) is ready to share its experience of organizing an online event and designing an interactive platform with the conference host, based on its experience of hosting the Aswan Forum second edition. - The ECM will collectively assist any organization that is considering hosting the next IAPTC annual conferences with innovative and cost-effective recommendations based on their experiences.
<p>5. Host 2022</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Secretariat reached out to the Italian Army Post Conflict Operations Study Center to host the 27th annual conference (as per the praxis of geographical rotation). However they informed the Secretariat that due to the current pandemic situation, they won't be able to host the 27th IAPTC Annual Conference in Turin (Italy) in 2022. Other IAPTC members have also been approached by EC 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The issue of hosting the 27th and 28th IAPTC annual conferences will be discussed during the ECM in July 2021. - In case the 26th annual conference will be held virtually, BIPSOT (Bangladesh) will consider hosting the 27th annual conference in person in 2022.

	members on the same issue.	
6. Host 2023	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - IPSTC will get back to the Secretariat about Kenya's position on hosting the IAPTC in 2022, but this depends on whether BIPSOT agree to physically host IAPTC in 2022. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In case BIPSOT hosts the 27th annual conference in 2022, IPSTC (Kenya) will consider hosting the 28th annual conference in 2023. - The Secretariat to follow-up with IPSTC representatives.
7. Follow-up	All ExCom members expressed their good will to contribute to the following stages of the decision making process.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Secretariat and the Presidency will prepare the survey to be shared with the IAPTC community to give guidance on whether the annual conference will be held in-person or virtually. The CDC will assist. - The Secretariat to inform the IAPTC community of the ECM decisions, share the survey with the community, compile the results and update the website accordingly.