

Minutes

CEPSA Executive Committee (EC) Meeting

 Date: Thursday, 24th September 2026

 Time: 17:15 – 18:45

 University of West Bohemia, Pilsen

Participants:

Agnieszka Kasinska-Metryka, Poland, Vice President

Simona Kukovič, Slovenia, General Secretary

Goran Čular, Croatia

Petr Just, Czech Republic

Jaroslav Ušiak, Slovakia

Ingrida Unikaitė-Jakuntavičienė, Lithuania

Harald Edinger, Austria

Zsolt Boda, Hungary

Jerzy Wiatr, Senior President

Miro Haček, Senior President

Ladislav Cabada, Senior President

Boglárka Koller, President

Agenda/Decisions

The EC unanimously adopted the proposed agenda.

1. Activities marking CEPSA's anniversary year – the 2026 Annual Conference in Pilsen

The conference welcomed 178 participants, approximately 20 fewer than listed in the final published programme.

The EC discussed that about 20 registered participants cancelled their participation, some of them within the last 24 hours before the conference.

In view of these cancellations, the EC discussed the order of the organisational steps for future conferences (selection of papers, and publication of the final programme and the Book of Abstracts).

The EC decided that certificates of attendance will be issued only to those participants who actually attended the conference.

2. The next CEPSA Annual Conference (2027)

The Executive Committee of CEPSA agreed that the 2027 Annual Conference will be held in Budapest.

The targeted dates are the end of September 2027 (23–24 September 2027). Dates and details will be confirmed later in 2026.

3. International relations: MoUs and next steps

APSA: cooperation with the American Political Science Association will be continued on the basis of the existing relations.

IPSA: the EC agreed to strengthen cooperation with IPSA. In connection with Rome, one joint IPSA panel should be organised. Boglárka Koller and Petr Just will discuss the next steps.

German Political Science Association: the possibility of concluding a Memorandum of Understanding was raised.

EUI: cooperation with the European University Institute will continue.

ECPR: the possibility of further strengthening the relationship was raised.

4. New members

No new member associations were proposed at this meeting.

5. CEPSA journals

Miro Haček reported on the CEPSA journals, including J Q1 rankings.

6. Any other issues

The EC noted that the publication process of the CEPSA book volume has not proceeded as originally envisaged.

Surprise for the CEPSA EC members: Simona Kukovič and Petr Just presented the Almanac.

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