

ISPA CONSTITUTION Proposal – July 7th from the Constitution and Bylaws Committee

as approved by the GA discussion with the ISPA in July 2023

Article I: Name

The name of the Association shall be the International School Psychology Association (ISPA).

Article II: Purposes of the Association

To promote globally

1. the rights of all children and youth,
2. the use of sound psychological principles within the context of education,
3. school psychologists' training, employment, and use of high-quality research,
4. collaboration among parents/caregivers, educators and other professionals who are committed to improve the well-being of children and youth,
5. the protection of all children and youth from all forms of discrimination, advocating for the inclusion and participation of all children and youth,
6. the cooperation with other organizations working for purposes similar to those of ISPA.

Article III: Membership

Membership provisions are stated in the Bylaws.

Article IV: General Assembly

1. The General Assembly (GA) consists of all individual ISPA Members and all official representatives from Affiliate Organizations who attend it.
2. The GA is responsible for approving the policies, the reports, and the budget of the Association.
3. Every year ISPA organizes at least one GA.
4. Each ISPA member has one vote and can also, concomitantly, have the voting mandate of an Affiliate Organization.
5. The Bylaws define the operational aspects of the GA.

Article V: Executive Committee

1. The Executive Committee is responsible for governing the Association.
2. The officers of the Association shall be the President, the President-Elect, the Past-President, the Secretary, and the Treasurer.
3. The officers must be members of the Association. They are elected by the membership.
4. The procedure for their election and terms of office are stated in the Bylaws.

Article VI: Central Office

The role and functions of the Central Office of the Association are defined in the Bylaws.

Article VII: Dissolution of the Association and Dedication of Funds

1. All assets of the Association shall be permanently dedicated to the purposes set forth in Article II of the Constitution. No part of these funds shall be distributed to members of the Association.
2. In the event of dissolution of the Association, any funds remaining after payment of all debts shall be distributed to one or more international non-profit organizations that hold goals similar to those of ISPA. Such organizations will be selected by the Executive Committee.

Article VIII: Amendments to the Constitution and the Bylaws

1. Articles of the Constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of association members who return correctly marked ballots.
2. Bylaws of the Association shall be amended by majority vote of association members who return correctly marked ballots.
3. The Bylaws specify the process for amending the Constitution and the Bylaws. ○