International Ethics Section Annual Report (2013)

Officers

The Section’s current officers entered the second year of their two year positions: Antonio Franceschet (University of Calgary) as Chair, Brent J. Steele (University of Utah) as Vice-Chair, and Amy E. Eckert (Metropolitan State College) as Secretary.

Membership

Having reached a peak of 255 members in early 2012, the Section’s membership dipped from to 231 by the end of 2013. Section officers have encourage renewals via the Facebook page and annual newsletter.

Awards

The International Ethics Section Annual Book Award is announced every year at the Section’s business meeting at the ISA Convention. The prize is an award of $200 along with a plaque to the author(s). The 2013 award went to Alex J. Bellamy’s *Massacres and Morality: Mass Atrocity in an Age of Civilian Immunity* (Oxford University Press, 2012).

Daniel J. Levine’s *Recovering International Relations: the Promise of Sustainable Critique* (Oxford University Press, 2012) was cited by the Award committee as a “notable book.”

The Book Award Committee Chair organizes a book roundtable on the award-winning book for the next annual convention. For Toronto in March 2014, Neta Crawford has organized a roundtable on Bellamy’s book, with the following participants: Crawford, Alexander Downes, Sarah Kreps, and Eric Heinze.

Members of the 2014 Book Award committee were selected at the business meeting in San Francisco in April 2013: Kimberly Hutchings (LSE) will serve as Chair for the next two years, and Luis Cabrera (Birmingham) and Harry Gould (Florida International University) will serve on the 2014 committee.

Activities

The minutes from the 2013 business meeting is available on the Section’s webpage:

http://www.isanet.org/ISA/Sections/IETHICS/Reports.aspx

At the 2013 meeting, the membership endorsed the idea that the Section’s Secretary position include maintenance of the Section Facebook page. The page has become a critical site for circulating information to members:

The International Ethics section program chairs for the 2013 annual convention in San Francisco were Antonio Franceschet and Brent Steele. The Section was allotted 21 panels, and through co-sponsorships, was able to have 34. Highlights from this convention include: a roundtable on the book that won the 2012 International Ethics Section Book Award – Bronwyn Leebaw, for *Judging State Sponsored Violence, Imagining Political Change Massacres* (organized by Neta Crawford). The Section co-sponsored (with International Law) a roundtable in honor of Richard Falk’s scholarship.

The Section’s reception at the 2013 annual convention, jointly held for the second time with Theory, was graciously sponsored by Cambridge University Press.

The Section Co-Sponsored the ISA West Annual Conference in 2013 in Pasedena, California.

The Section’s program co-chairs for the 2014 annual convention are Antonio Franceschet (Chair) and Brent J. Steele (Vice-Chair). The Section was allotted 18 panels and, through co-sponsorships, supports 31 panels. The section has co-sponsored panels with: Active Learning in International Affairs; Comparative Interdisciplinary Studies; English School; Environmental Studies; Feminist Theory and Gender Studies; Ethnicity, Nationalism & Migration Studies; Historical International Relations; Human Rights; International Communication; International Education;; International Political Economy; International Organization; International Political Sociology; International Security Studies; Peace Studies; and Theory.

### Finances

**Balance as of October 2013:** $2,122.31

**Future expected expenditures:**
- Toronto reception: $900.50
- Book award: $200.00
- Book award plaque: $100.00

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