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**FULL REPORT**

The group that was instrumental in creating the section, reached a consensus on an initial slate of officers. We plan to hold elections for a new slate of officers at the ISA meetings in Baltimore in February 2017.

We are pleased to report that the section now has 100 members of whom 64 are standard members and 36 are student members. We are making concerted efforts to expand the scope of our membership. Below is a list of the panels/roundtables that we have either sponsored or co-sponsored with other sections at the forthcoming meeting.

SAWP is sponsoring or co-sponsoring a total of 15 panels/roundtables, out of which 4 are roundtables and 11 are panels. There are also 5 panels on South Asian topics which are fully sponsored by other sections (2 by FPA, 2 theme panels & 1 by Diplomatic Studies).

The panels and roundtables range in topics:

- from theory-focused ones (such as one on "Comparative Philosophical Traditions and IR Theorizing"),
- to IPE focused panels (such as a panel focused on "Trade Agreements and Regional Integration in South Asia," and "Rethinking IR in South Asia"),
- to ones co-sponsored by the theme section ("International Relations "From the South": Postcolonial and Decolonial Violence in the Shaping of the Discipline"),
- to security focused panels (such as one on "India's Changing Role in Regional Security")
- to identity and development focus (such as the panel on "The Burden of Brownness: Power and Identity in South Asia"),
- to gender & IR focused panels ("Critical IR and its Interface with Gender: Multiple Intersectionalities")
- to foreign policy focused ones (such as our panel "India as a leading power: its “rising” status and complex foreign economic policy"),
- to regionally focused panels ("Reinventing the Region: Trading Off Conflict for Cooperation in Afghanistan and Beyond")
- to panels we put together from the diverse paper topics submitted such as the one I put together (on "The South Asian States: Rising Illiberal National & Subnational Politics?")

Finally, we have created a working group on South Asia in World Politics.