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ISA section annual report for 2013

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Chair, SSIP 2013–2015

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1 Organization

Brandon Prins (University of Tennessee) ended his term as chair for the SSIP section in April 2013, and Håvard Hegre (PRIO/Uppsala University) took over. Michael Colaresi (Michigan State University) ended his three-year term as councilor, and Susan Allen (SSIP program chair in 2013) entered the advisory council. Ursula Daxecker (University of Amsterdam) has been appointed as section program chair for the 2014 meeting. The SSIP leadership for the 2013–2014 period then is:

- Håvard Hegre, chair
- Ursula Daxecker, section program chair
- Megan Shannon, councilor (Florida State University)
- Cameron Thies, councilor (University of Iowa)
- Susan Allen, councilor (University of Mississippi)

2 Activities

- Sponsoring and organizing panels at the annual meeting of the Association. In San Francisco, SSIP sponsored or co-sponsored 34 panels, roundtables and poster sessions. The 2014 SSIP panels for the San Diego meeting were organized by Susan Allen. According to the preliminary program, SSIP is sponsoring or co-sponsoring 32 panels and 1 poster session. Attendance at SSIP panels in San Francisco was generally good. We anticipate a strong attendance in Toronto as well.
• Dina Zinnes award. The section received six nominations for the 2013 Dina Zinnes award for the best graduate student paper presented at a panel or poster session sponsored by the SSIP Section or the Convention Theme. The advisory council selected the paper ‘Peace Through Resettlement? Theory and Evidence from the NKVD Archives’ by Yuri M. Zhukov, Harvard University as the winner of the award.

• Maintaining and enhancing the SSIP website and listserv. The section chair maintains a listserv which is hosted at Rice University. The listserv is utilized to send information to section members about section business. The ISA website does have the updated officer, chair, and program chair information.

• For the third time, SSIP will jointly host a reception at the annual meeting in Toronto with the Foreign Policy and Political Demography sections.

3 Membership and finances

SSIP membership for 2013 was 300, up from 275 in 2012 and 227 in 2011. Membership for 2014 is projected to be 299.

The section finances are uncer control. As of 30 September 2013, the balance is $2,787.94, roughly the same level as at the same time in 2012. For the coming year, the annual meeting reception (jointly with FPA and PD) is the most important expense item.