Dear IPS members,

I hope this email finds you well and excited about coming to New Orleans for the Annual Convention of the ISA. With this email I would to inform you about the IPS events, the elections, IPS Awards, and the agenda for the IPS Business Meeting.

Before proceeding, let me take this opportunity to thank all the members of the Executive Committee for their work during the last year: Inanna Hamati-Ataya (Vice/Program Chair), Rebecca Adler-Nissen (Treasurer), Ole Jacob Sending (past chair), Tarak Barkawi, Vincent Pouliot, George Lawson and Christian Bueger (members-at-large), and Morten Skumsrud Andersen (communications).

IPS events - Wednesday 18 February

4:00-5:45 pm - Distinguished Scholar Panel, honouring Barry Hindess (WD14, in: Jasperwood - Hilton)

6:15-7:15 pm - Business meeting IPS Section (Jasperwood -Hilton)

7:15-8:30 pm - Reception, at which we celebrate the Honorary Award to Barry Hindess (in: Magnolia -Hilton)

This year we co-organize the reception with Global Health. I would like to thank Routledge and Queensland University of Technology for their support of the reception.

In addition thanks to the hard work of Inanna you have 128 panels (co)sponsored by IPS to choose from.

We hope to see many of you at these events!

IPS elections 2014

Please do remember to cast your vote no later than tomorrow, **February 11th (midnight MST).** The ballot should have reached you via a message from the ISA last week. If this was not the case, it probably means that you need to renew your section membership (via MyISA). Once this is done, please contact the headquarters of the International Studies Association at (<u>isa@isanet.org</u>) to get access to the ballot. The results will be announced during the business meeting.

IPS awards

It is with great pleasure that I can announce the following winners:

IPS Book Award: joint winners

Rebecca Adler-Nissen - (2014) Opting out of the European Union. Diplomacy, Sovereignty and European Integration (CUP)

Lisa Stampnitzky - (2014) Disciplining Terror. How Experts Invented Terrorism (CUP)

Paper award:

"Remembering the Past, Mystifying Resistance? A tale of Desires, Delusions, and Heroic Resistance" - by Katharina Glaab & Stephan Engelkamp

The awards will be handed out during the IPS reception.

I would like to thank the members of the Book Award Committee and the Graduate Paper Award Committee for their efforts:

Book Award Committee: Jens Bartelson, Tarak Barkawi, Vincent Pouliot, and Tanja Aalberts Graduate Paper Award Committee: Marieke de Goede, George Lawson, Christian Bueger, and Tanja Aalberts

IPS business meeting Agenda

- i) IPS section membership,
- ii) Treasurer report
- iii) IPS program in New Orleans 2015
- iv) Election results 2015
- v) Words from the incoming Chair
- vi) Words from the incoming vice-/program-Chair (Elected vice-/program-chair)
- vii) proposed change of procedure nominations
- viii) brief update from the ISA Governing Council Meeting (see attached agenda)
- ix) any other business

Governing Council Meeting

See attached Agenda and Report. The report offers a good overview of the activities, and opportunities, that is offered through the organization.

Of particular interest may be:

- p 12 on the Junior scholar symposium, the Career Courses, and the new speciality session 'Sapphire series' (see also Cynthia Weber's reaction to the latter on the Duck)
- p 14 the proposal for a committee to evaluate the executive director
- pp 35-38 report of the Professional Rights and Reponsibilities cie on the issue of blogging
- pp 45-46 long range planning committee report, including proposal for a new ISA sponsored Global IR book series
- pp 78-83 ISA journal diversity proposal

Looking forward to seeing you soon in New Orleans!

Best regards Tanja Aalberts IPS Chair