



# Minutes of the SIPTA General Meeting at the ISIPTA'2023 conference, 14 July 2023

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The President, Jasper De Bock, opens the meeting at 15:30.

## The Past Two Years

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The President mentions a few activities that have taken place in the past two years.

- 1) **SIPTA School.** In August 2022, the SIPTA School took place in Bristol (United Kingdom). Arthur Van Camp and Kevin Blackwell, from the Organizing Committee, give a brief report. The school counted on Gert de Cooman, Teddy Seidenfeld, Thomas Augustin, Alessandro Antonucci, Cassio de Campos, Fabio Cozman, Jason Konek and Ben Levinstein as speakers. There were 95 students, some of them in person and some of them online. There was financial support of around 40000 € by the ERC and the feedback was generally positive.
- 2) **SIPTA seminars.** Since June 2022 the SIPTA seminars are held online monthly. It is an initiative of Sébastien Destercke, that is assisted by Jasper de Bock and Enrique Miranda. The seminars are devoted to a variety of topics and after the seminar the video is made available at the youtube channel of SIPTA. More information about these seminars can be found at [sipta.org/events/sipta-seminars](https://sipta.org/events/sipta-seminars)
- 3) **Special sessions and workshops.** Jasper de Bock reports on other activities held in the past two years.
  - Jason Konek and his group organized a conference on *Epistemic Utility for Imprecise Probability* in Bristol, UK.
  - Davide Petturiti and Barbara Vantaggi organized an invited session on *Beliefs, risk and uncertainty in artificial intelligence* at the 14th International Conference of the ERCIM WG on Computational and Methodological Statistics (CMStatistics 2021).
  - Alessandro Antonucci and Yang Xiang organized a *special track on uncertain reasoning* at FLAIRS-35 (35th Florida Artificial Intelligence Research Society Conference) in North Miami Beach, Florida, US.
  - Enrique Miranda and Ignacio Montes organized a special session on *Theoretical and applied aspects of Imprecise Probabilities* at IPMU 2022 in Milano, Italy.
  - Enrique Miranda and Arthur Van Camp organized a special session on *Imprecise probabilities: recent developments* at SMPS 2022 in Valladolid, Spain.
  - Max Nendel, Michael Kupper, José Miguel Zapata, Jasper De Bock and Gert de Cooman organized a workshop on *Imprecise Probability and Robust Finance (ImPRooF)* in Cartagena, Spain.
  - In the Fall of 2022, Ryan Martin taught a course on *Imprecise Probabilities tailored to statisticians*. The lectures were recorded, and remain available.
- 4) **Social media.** The President also reports on the presence of the society in social media:
  - The SIPTA youtube channel <https://www.youtube.com/@ImpreciseProbabilitiesSIPTA> includes the

videos of different talks related to imprecise probabilities, such as those held at the SIPTA schools, the ISIPTA conferences or the SIPTA seminars.

-The SIPTA twitter account [twitter.com/SIPTAtweets](https://twitter.com/SIPTAtweets) disseminates news related to the society and to imprecise probabilities.

-The SIPTA website [www.sipta.org](http://www.sipta.org) includes all the information about the society as well as additional documentation about imprecise probabilities and a blog.

## Finances

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The President notes that the society now has two banking options through WISE and UBS, and gives the financial report prepared by the outgoing treasurer, Arianna Casanova. The evolution of the finances in the past two years is the following:

	2021	2023
UBS (EUR):	10 447.25 EUR	10 258.42 EUR
WISE (EUR):	2 665.75 EUR	2 596.63 EUR
WISE (GBP):	1 307.12 GBP	1 303.91 GBP
WISE (USD):	0 USD	4 122.51 USD

The President is happy with the positive balance and mentions this opens some financial possibilities that we might start considering.

## The Executive Committee

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The President reports on the SIPTA elections. There were as many candidates as available positions, which rendered the election process unnecessary.

The President thanks the outgoing members (Arianna Casanova, Diego Estrada, Henna Bains, Ullrika Sahlin) as well as Cassio de Campos, who was replaced in 2022 by Alexander Erreygers as executive editor, for their work in these past years.

The President goes over the election outcome: Jasper de Bock, Enrique Miranda and Alexander Erreygers are re-elected as president, secretary and executive editor, respectively; Alberto Termine is the new Treasurer. In at-large, Erik Quaeghebeur and Ryan Martin are re-elected and Michele Caprio, Christoph Jansen and Arthur Van Camp join the Executive Committee. The President welcomes the new members and looks forward to working with everyone.

## The Next Two Years

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The President mentions some plans for the future: first of all, to consolidate the current activities and advertise SIPTA more widely.

Next he mentions a few future activities related to imprecise probabilities:

-Fabio Cuzzolin and others organize a full-day workshop at UAI 2023 on “Epistemic Uncertainty in Artificial Intelligence”, August 4, 2023, Pittsburgh, USA. Registration follows the registration process of the main UAI conference.

-The next SIPTA school shall take place in Ghent (Belgium) in the month of August 2024. Alexander Erreygers and Floris Persiau, from the organizing committee, give a brief report on their plans for the school.

-The location of the next ISIPTA conference in 2025 is still undecided.

The President thanks everyone for participating, for staying on and caring for the society, and thereby ends the meeting at 16:15.

Enrique Miranda (Secretary), 14 July 2023

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Enrique Miranda". The signature is written in a cursive style with a prominent loop at the end of the name.