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We were proud to release the first soft policy statement from our General Assembly (GA). This statement is based upon discussions during our recent webinar series and provides a synthesis of the current situation in relation to the evaluation of management research and suggests a way forward. We are now sharing this as widely as possible and seeking feedback. The statement can be read at: https://www.ifsam.org/blog/2021/06/04/ifsam-general-assemblys-position-statement-on-management-research/.

We also finalised our GA Advisory Board, that includes several past presidents of IFSAM, among others. This will help us to maintain our organisational memory as well as to benefit from the experience and insights of this fantastic group. Details of the composition of the Advisory Board can be found at: https://www.ifsam.org/ga-advisory-board/

As part of our ambition to professionalise the structure and management of IFSAM, we have also been seeking two new members of the Executive Committee to act as Treasurer and VP for Governance. We look forward to being able to share more news on this with you soon. Also with this in mind, the Executive Committee met on 24 and 25 June to discuss a range of issues including the dissemination of the soft policy statement, voting procedures and the communications strategy.

We would like to remind everyone that we are seeking nominations for our new IFSAM awards. The awards focus on: Excellence in Societally Relevant Management Scholarship; Excellence in Indigenous Management Scholarship; Excellence and Innovation in Management Pedagogy; and Exceptional Service to the Management Field Worldwide. Please do take this opportunity to nominate anyone that you think is deserving of one of these awards. Further details of the awards and how to make a nominate can be found at: https://www.ifsam.org/ifsam-awards/

It has been a busy month in relation to our engagement with our members and the broader community of management scholars. We held our third President's Platform Meeting that brought together representatives from 11 member and observer associations to facilitate the sharing of experiences and learning more from each other. This meeting focused on the platforms and practices that members are using for their virtual annual conferences. Our president, Xavier Castañer, has also been busy and was honoured to be invited to speak at conferences held by Association Internationale de Management Stratégique (AIMS) and Società Italiana di Management (SIMA).

Finally, we were sad to learn this month of the passing of two members of the IFSAM family. Prof. Dongshui Su was the representative of CNEMA on the IFSAM Council (now GA) for more than 20 years and was awarded an Outstanding Achievement Award in our 30 years' celebration. Prof. Tom Lee was the most recent representative of the Academy of

Management (AOM) on IFSAM Council and also contributed significantly to the preparation of the recent 30 years' anniversary of IFSAM. Our thoughts are with the families and colleagues of both Prof. Su and Prof. Lee.

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