

## **SIRG PIMD meeting 24/04/2025**

### **1. Approval minutes** SIRG PIMD meeting in Chicago (7/8/2024)

See: [Chicago-August-2024.pdf](#)

### **2. Financial situation IASSIDD**

There has been a great loss at the Chicago conference (expensive venue and less participants). The board has made plans to improve the financial situation:

- Events (conferences, roundtables, webinars) must be break even or yield a surplus
- Differentiation in fees for members and non members
- Looking for new members: individual and center memberships

Everyone is asked to invite people to become members. See information on the IASSIDD website.

### **3. Webinars**

Each SIRG is asked to organize an online webinar (for members and paid for not members)

A brainstorm on possible topics yields the following ideas:

- Personhood: together with ethics SIRG
- Health problems/health care
- Dental payments
- Resettling from large facilities
- People with ID in classes, universities -> creating more awareness
- Curriculum sexual health, intimacy

The board will make a concrete plan. If people are interested to volunteer, please let us know.

### **4. Newsletter**

Meike is still willing to continue the newsletter.

See: [Profound Intellectual and Multiple Disabilities – IASSIDD](#)

### **5. Conferences**

We are in a three year cycle period for the conference

- Year 1: Asia Pacific conference
- Year 2: European conference
- Year 3: world conference

ECRM and roundtable would ideally be each year, since many PhD's are only for 4 years working on their topic. The roundtable can be organized in the year of the Asia-Pacific conference and the world conference, not in the year of the European conference.

		Roundtable	ECRM
2003	Amsterdam	X	
2005	Bruges	X	
2007	Dundee	X	
2009	Cologne	X	X
2010	Groningen		X
2011	Manchester	X	X
2012	Leuven		X
2013	Groningen	X	X
2014	Vienna		X
2015	Västeras	X	X
2017	Fribourg	X	X
2018	Athens		X
2019	Glasgow		X
2020	Berlin	X	X
2022	Online	X	
2023	Leuven	X	X
2025	Cork	X	X

## Planning

2026:

- European Conference Munchen 2026 (28 July -31 July 2026)
- ECRM (28 July): Petra, Emma and Ankelien will organize

2027:

- World conference Dublin
- ECRM + roundtable will be coupled to the world conference
  - It will again be during summertime (not ideal), ECRM and roundtable not immediately after the world conference
- If it is not linked to the conference, Groningen would be willing to organize.

2028:

- ECRM + roundtable. Idea: Warschau Poland

Members suggest to make a script for the ECRM and roundtable meetings. The experiences of the past two years from the people in Leuven and Cork can be shared.

It is very valuable to involve parent's organisations, as was the case in Cork.

## **6. Website**

The website has been updated. All notes of meetings, next events, ... are posted in the website: [Profound Intellectual and Multiple Disabilities – IASSIDD](#)

## **7. IASSIDD Academy**

The IASSIDD academy asks every SIRG to make a list of available training sessions of members of SIRG.

A member suggests to ask low income families what they want to hear. Possibly Sui( Taiwan) and Julian (Madagascar) can be contact persons to do this? Juliet has also contacts with low income countries.

## **8. Other**

Ines gives some explanation to have a permanent overview of research on PIMD on a padlet. It will be announced in the newsletter.

In Germany a book has been published on 'internation perspectives on people with PIMD'. It will be translated in English. Several persons of the SIRG have contributed to this book.

The official mailinglist of the SIRG PIMD is only for registered members. We also have a mailinglist for the ECRM/roundtable with also non registered members.