

About IPSA



The International Political Science Association (IPSA) was founded in Paris in 1949 under the aegis of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) to promote the development of political science throughout the world. As an international scholarly association, IPSA has a mission to:

- Support the development of political science in all parts of the world, building academic networks linking East and West, North and South;
- Create an inclusive and global political science community by ensuring a balanced representation along the lines of region, gender and experience in all of its activities;
- Promote collaboration between scholars in emerging and established democracies and to support the academic freedoms needed for the social sciences to flourish;
- Ensure that political scientists are strongly positioned to make a valuable contribution to the quality of public deliberation and decision-making and to our understanding of an increasingly interconnected political world;
- Support the role of political science in empowering everyone to participate more effectively in political life.

Institutional Relationships

IPSA is a member of the International Science Council (ISC) and has a consultative status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations (ECOSOC). IPSA also supports the development of the Réseau des associations francophones de science politique.

IPSA's Main Activities

Research

IPSA has 53 active Research Committees covering all facets of political science. Starting with one in 1970, IPSA Research Committees are now a vast worldwide research network where all interested individuals are welcome to contribute. Research Committees frequently publish their work and organize their own conferences. They each present a minimum of two panels at IPSA World Congresses, but in most cases many more. Joint panels between two or more RCs are strongly encouraged.

Publications

- International Political Science Review (IPSR)
- International Political Science Abstracts
- Trends in Political Science
- International Encyclopedia of Political Science
- IPSA Portal
- Participation
- Monthly e-newsletter
- Ad hoc publications and research

Events

- Biennial World Congresses of Political Science
- Summer Schools
- IPSA MOOCs
- International symposiums and conferences

www.ipsa.org

IPSA's website is a key resource, offering information about political science conferences worldwide, job postings, news from national associations, calls for awards, and more.

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