



IAAER Executive Committee (EC) and Council Meeting

Minutes of the meeting held in conjunction with the *Southern African Accounting Association (SAAA)* and *IAAER* joint Conference at the Century City Conference Centre, Cape Town, on Tuesday, 24th of June 2025 at 17:30 Cape Town time and via Zoom <https://duke.zoom.us/j/99216394928?pwd=VYiQfBlkFdZ6pucRAkgl0aXatXYKhB.1>

1. **President:** Katherine Schipper, Duke University, USA
2. **VP-Administration:** Joanna Krasodomska, Krakow University of Economics, Poland
3. **VP-Education:** Jacqueline Birt, Charles Sturt University, Australia
4. **VP-Finance:** Leslie Hodder, Indiana University, USA
5. **VP-Membership:** Mukesh Garg, Monash University, Australia
6. **VP-Conferences:** Linda Kidwell, Nova Southeastern University, USA
7. **VP-Research:** Holger Daske, University of Mannheim, Germany
8. **VP-Communication:** Cecile Janse van Rensburg, University of Pretoria, South Africa
9. **VP-Practice:** Sharon Machado, ACCA, UK- not attending
10. **Director of Research and Educational Activities:** Donna Street, University of Dayton, USA

Per the constitution:

11. **Immediate Past President:** Elizabeth Gordon, Temple University, USA

VPs-at-large, representing Academic Accounting Associations:

12. **Accounting and Finance Association of Australia and New Zealand:** Michaela Rankin, Monash University, Australia
13. **African Accounting and Finance Association:** Yinka Moses, Victoria University of Wellington, New Zealand – not attending
14. **American Accounting Association, International Accounting Section:** Ajay Adhikari, American University, USA
15. **Association Francophone de Comptabilite:** Adrien B. Bonache, University of Burgundy, France
16. **MODAV:** Cagnur Balsari, Dokuz Eylul University, Turkey – not attending
17. **Southern African Accounting Association:** Rolien Kunz, University of Pretoria, South Africa
18. **Japan Accounting Association:** Tomoki Oshika, Waseda University, Japan, not attending



Special responsibilities:

1. International Accounting Standards Board: Ann Tarca, Professor Emeritus University of Western Australia and IASB Board Member – not attending
2. International Panel on Accountancy Education: Themis Suwardy, Singapore Management University, Singapore – not attending

Ex Officio Members:

1. Accounting Education: Greg Stoner, University of Glasgow, UK – not attending

Bold– attending in person

Bold and Italic – attending through Zoom

IAAER President’s welcome and meeting opening

IAAER President SCHIPPER calls the Executive Committee meeting to order at 17:30 Cape Town time and welcomes the participants.

Approval of minutes of the February 2025 EC meeting

SCHIPPER asks for approval of the minutes of the EC meeting held on Friday, 23 May 2025 in conjunction with the 26th Annual Conference on Finance and Accounting (ACFA 2025) hosted by the Prague University of Economics and Business (in Prague and hybrid format). The minutes are unanimously approved.

DREA report

EC members are invited to ask questions about the DREA report, which has undergone minor updates since the Prague meeting.

BIRT and STREET provide an update on the recent joint meeting of IPAE IFAC and IAAER.

BIRT, KIDWELL, VAN RENSBURG, and STREET report on the SAAA Teaching & Learning Day. The event was well attended and received positive feedback. Bruce Vivian delivered an excellent keynote presentation, and the sessions overall were insightful and engaging. The venue offered excellent facilities, and the networking opportunities were highly appreciated. VAN RENSBURG also shared reflections on the event, describing it as a great success.

It was agreed that ADHIKARI, GARG, and SCHIPPER will represent IAAER at the January 2026 conference in Kolkata, India.



VP Reports

BIRT provides an update on the *Attractiveness of the Profession* project that she is working on in collaboration with IPAE and IFAC, noting that the response deadline has been extended to the end of June. She assesses the overall responsiveness as good and highlights that input from specific stakeholder groups - such as educators and career counsellors - could be improved.

Membership and 2026 World Congress

The committee discusses possible strategies to attract more university and institutional members. **Action Item 1:** SCHIPPER asks each committee member to prepare a list of potential university and institutional members with contact information for each one and send it to her with copies to GARG and STREET.

The new flyer for university memberships is ready for distribution via a targeted and personalized email campaign. **Action Item 2:** GARG will provide SCHIPPER and KRASODOMSKA with contact details of former members going back up to ten years to support this outreach.

VAN RENSBURG, STREET, GARG, SCHIPPER, and KRASODOMSKA will collaborate on creating a flyer aimed at academic accounting associations, and a flyer aimed at institutional practitioner members. **Action Item 3:** The first draft of each flyer will be prepared by GARG, STREET, and SCHIPPER, and then shared with VAN RENSBURG and KRASODOMSKA for further input.

DASKE suggests leveraging relationships with former PhD students as a potential avenue for increasing membership.

The committee discussed the next IAAER World Congress, tentatively planned for 2026, including the possibility of holding the event in conjunction with IFAC in Seoul, South Korea. The final location is yet to be confirmed. The location decision will take into account the need to ensure high-level attendance and visibility. **Action Item 4:** Committee members are asked to put forward suggestions for a possible host.

Meeting closure

President SCHIPPER closes the EC meeting and transitions to the joint EC and Council meeting.

IAAER EC and Council Joint Meeting

IAAER Council members' attendance :

1. AAFA - Irene Nalukenge – not attending
2. **AFAANZ - Yaowen Shan**
3. IAARF - R. P. Banerjee – not attending
4. **IAS-AAA - Ajay Adhikari**
5. JAA - Tomomi Takada – not attending
6. **SAAA - George Nel**



7. TAA - Chia-Ling Lee – not attending
8. *Cincinnati University - Changjiang (John) Wang*

Bold – attending in person

Bold and Italic – attending through Zoom

SCHIPPER opens the joint EC and Council meeting by introducing the Council members. STREET provides a brief overview of the Council's role within IAAER, emphasizing its advisory and strategic support functions.

Council members are invited to ask questions and share suggestions regarding recent IAAER activities, as well as offer guidance on matters such as planning future conferences and attracting new university and institutional members.

SCHIPPER highlights that Council membership is by invitation, and membership is not an obligation of academic association and university members. She encourages the expansion of the Council to become a larger and more vibrant group. She then presents updates on upcoming conferences, including:

- The SAAA and IAAER joint Conference in Cape Town
- Future events in Kolkata, Bucharest, and Krakow
- The IAAER World Congress tentatively scheduled for Q4 2026 (November)
- A joint meeting with AAA IAS tentatively planned for January 2027

STREET announces that a detailed DREA report on IAAER activities and plans will be sent to all Council members following the meeting. Discussion includes how Council members can further support IAAER. President SCHIPPER concludes by requesting that the Council appoint two Co-Chairs - one representing an academic institutional member and one a university member - by 31st of July 2025.

Other business

No other business is discussed. SCHIPPER closes the meeting.