

## International Political Science Association News

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**1982 World Congress.** The XIIth World Congress of the International Political Science Association will take place in Rio de Janeiro, August 11-14, 1982, under the auspices of the IPSA President, Candido Mendes, and the Conjunto Universitario Candido Mendes. The meeting, IPSA's first major conference in the Third World, should be of especial interest to APSA members not only because of the intellectual content of the panels and opportunities to talk with political scientists from around the world, but also because of relatively inexpensive tours which will be arranged in Brazil.

At a joint meeting in January 1980, the IPSA executive and program committees set out some basic guidelines for the 1982 World Congress. The main themes are: (a) Search for a new international order, (b) Society and the political community, and (c) Political discourse: past, present, and future. As in the past, both IPSA research committees and study groups will organize their own panels on a wide range of topics. IPSA members may also propose special meetings on topics of interest not covered in one of the above categories.

For general information about the organization of the 1982 World Congress, APSA members should write to the program coordinator: Professor Guillermo O'Donnell, Sociedade Brasileira de Instrucao, Praca XV de Novembro 101, Rio de Janeiro, Guanabara, Brasil.

Professor David Apter of Yale University, who presides over the IPSA program committee, will also have current information. Inquiries about and suggestions for special meetings should be directed to: Professor Richard Rose, Department of Politics, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow G1 1XQ, Scotland.

Listings of section topics and coordinators, as well as plans for inexpensive flights to Rio de Janeiro, will appear in due course in *PS*.

**Roundtables.** A main activity of IPSA between its world congresses is organizing international interchanges in the form of roundtables. The next one, held at the invitation of the Academy of Sciences of the German Democratic Republic, will be held in Weimar, August 25-27, 1980, on "Detente, Reasons, Demands, Obstacles." Further information may be obtained from: Prof. Dr. Karl-Heinz Roder, Vice-President, Nationalkomitee fur Politische Wissenschaften der DDR, 108 Berlin, Otto-Nuschke-Strasse 10/11, German Democratic Republic.

Subsequent roundtables are scheduled for January 8-11, 1981 in Zurich on "International

Crises and Crisis Management"; August 11-15, 1981 in Storrs, Connecticut, on "Social Mobility and Political Attitudes"; and September 21-25, 1981 in Tokyo on "Political Dimensions of the New International Order." Several IPSA research committees and study groups are planning additional roundtables for their members and invited scholars.

**Publications.** IPSA has embarked on a new publications program. In addition to its quarterly newsletter, *Participation*, it now publishes a quarterly journal, *International Political Science Review*, edited by John Meisel, Professor at Queen's University and Chairman of the Canadian Radio-Television and Telecommunications Commission. Its first issue, "Studies in Systems Transformation," edited by this correspondent, appeared in January 1980. A book series, *Studies in International Political Science*, which I am editing, will appear later this year. Each volume will comprise 10-12 papers, for the most part presented at IPSA-sponsored congresses and roundtables. In addition, IPSA has published a 262-page book of abstracts of papers presented at the XIth World Congress in Moscow, August 1979. It is available from: Professor John E. Trent, Secretary-General, International Political Science Association, a/s Universite d'Ottawa, Ottawa I1N 6N5, Canada. Membership in IPSA, also available through Professor Trent, includes subscriptions to both *Participation* and *International Political Science Review*.

**Development Prospects.** IPSA President Candido Mendes has been working energetically to expand IPSA activities in the Third World. Several international meetings are being planned for the 1981-82 academic year in the Mediterranean, South Pacific, and Caribbean; and efforts are being made to enhance the various meetings of regional political science associations. UNESCO has promised its help in this regard. Ideas about ways and means as well as suggestions for concrete steps should be sent to Professor Candido Mendes at the Sociedade Brasileira de Instrucao, Professor David Apter at Yale University, or me at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign.

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