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21 January 2026

## **ICDE BOARD MEETING MINUTES 2026/1**

On 21 January 2026 at 09.00 (CET, Oslo time), a Board meeting was held virtually.

The following members of the Board participated:

Mark Nichols, Kgomotso Moahi, Mpine Makoe, Margaret Korosec and Joane Serrano.

Apologies for: Andreia Inamorato

In addition, Secretary General Torunn Gjelsvik attended the meeting. Control Committee member Snorre Qveim-Leikanger attended the meeting for agenda item 1.3 and Senior Advisor Anaïs Røed Malbrand attended the meeting from agenda item 1.4. to agenda item 1.13.

The Board was in quorum, cf. ICDE Constitution § 8.

The invitation and agenda of the present meeting were approved.

### 1.1 Approval of the Agenda

Item moved by Mpine Makoe and seconded by Joane Serrano.

### Motion 1.2 Constitution of the new ICDE Board and Election of the ICDE President for the next two years

Item moved by the Secretary General.

**Motion 1.2:** *"The ICDE Board elects Mark Nichols as President of ICDE for 2026 and 2027."*

Motion unanimously carried.

### Motion 1.3 Public funding update and mitigation planning 2026 (in camera)

Item moved by Kgomotso Moahi and seconded by Margaret Korosec.

Motions unanimously carried.

### Motion 1.4 ICDE Board Work Plan 2026

Item moved by Mpine Makoe and seconded by Joane Serrano.

**Motion 1.4:** *"The Board takes note of its responsibilities and approves the ICDE Board Work Plan 2026."*

Motion unanimously carried.

Motion 1.5 ICDE Secretariat Work Plan 2026

Item moved by Margaret Korosec and seconded by Kgomotso Moahi.

**Motion 1.5:** *"The Board approves the ICDE Secretariat Work Plan for 2026."*

Motion unanimously carried.

Motion 1.6 ICDE Events 2027 Programme Committees

Item moved by Mark Nichols and seconded by Margaret Korosec.

**Motion 1.6:** *"The Board nominates Mark Nichols, Mpine Makoe and Margaret Korosec to represent the ICDE Board in the Programme Committee for the ICDE World Conference 2027, and Andreia Inamorato and Kgomotso Moahi to represent the ICDE Board in the Programme Committee of the ICDE Lillehammer Lifelong Learning Conference 2027."*

Motion unanimously carried.

Info 1.7 ICDE Reports:

Item moved by the President.

- Report from the President (oral)
- Report from Board members from their regions: (oral)
- Secretariat Report

The Board was informed.

Info 1.8 Financial report Q4 2025 and preliminary Annual Accounts 2025

Item moved by the President.

The Board was informed.

Info 1.9 ICDE Secretariat Work Plan end-year report 2025

Item moved by the President.

The Board was informed.

Info 1.10 Summary report from ICDE Global Presidents Forum 2025 (Draft)

Item moved by the President.

The Board was informed. Board members are invited to comment on the report in writing by 30 January directly to the ICDE President.

Info 1.11 Open Praxis report 2025

Item moved by the President.

The Board was informed. The Board acknowledges the Open Praxis Editor's annual report and commends the achievements of Open Praxis during 2025.

Info 1.12 ICDE World Conference report 2025 (oral by the ICDE President)

Item moved by the President.

The Board was informed.

Info 1.13 Any Other Business

Item moved by the President.

Motion 1.14 ICDE Secretary General's Performance goals 2026 (In Camera)

**Motion 1.14:** *"The Board approves the ICDE Secretary General's Performance goals 2026, noting that goals may be subject to revision in line with updates on the ICDE Action Plan."*

Meeting adjourned 11:00 CET on 21 January 2026.

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Mark Nichols

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ICDE President

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