



ENID General Assembly 2025

5 September 2025, 13.00-14.00, University Bristol, Venue of STIENID2025 (Fry Building, Lower Ground Floor, Room 2)

Members present

Organization	Last name	First name
Danish Centre for Studies in Research and Research Policy, Department of Political Science, Aarhus University	Schneider	Jesper
Centre for Higher Education Transformations, University of Bristol	Derrick	Gemma
CORE - Center of Open and Responsible Research at Berlin University Alliance (BUA)	Hinze	Sybille
Joanneum Research	Ploder	Michael
Max Planck Institute for Solid State Research	Haunschild	Robin
Innovation Systems Department, AIT Austrian Institute of Technology	Neuländtner	Martina
Center for Organization Research and Design (CORD), Arizona State University	Melkers	Julia
NIFU	Aksnes	Dag
University of Exeter	Gök	Abdullah
University of Antwerp	Engels	Tim
Latvian Council of Science	Kokorevics	Arnis
Centre for Organizational Research, University of Lugano	Lepori	Benedetto
AIT Austria	Scherngell	Thomas
Guest: Lancaster University	Jian	Wang

1. Approval of the agenda

Agenda was approved by the members present.

2. Report of the President on the activities of the ENID association

a. Code of Conduct:

Following an incident at STI 2024, the decision was made to introduce a Code of Conduct (CoC) for ENID and its conference series. Gemma Derrick and Julia Melkers prepared a draft version, which the ENID Board discussed and adopted. The new CoC was referenced in the opening session of STIENID 2025. The CoC is available on the ENID and STIENID2025 websites. STI 2025 participants were required to acknowledge the CoC during registration.

3. Report on finances (Treasurer)

The treasurer, Nicolas Carayol, was unable to attend STIENID 2025, but he submitted a written report. According to the report, in line with the decisions made in 2023, the available resources as of August 30, 2023, were spent on STI 2024 events. Philippe Laredo, the former ENID treasurer who was still overseeing the account, confirmed that the account was closed. However, he has yet to submit the relevant documentation. Nicolas Carayol will follow up with Philippe Laredo to ensure the submission of the relevant documents.

4. Election of ENID board, president, treasurer, secretary

Members were asked to nominate candidates for the ENID Board, resulting in the list of candidates as presented on the ballots (see attachment). The election was conducted as a "vote by mail" procedure to allow members who could not attend STIENID2025 to vote.

Ballots submission ended with the board meeting on Wednesday, 3 September. Afterwards the ballots were counted and, the election resulted in the following new board assembly:

- Dag Aksnes; NIFU, Norway
- Nicolas Carayol; Univ Bordeaux, France (treasurer)
- Gemma Derrick; Univ Bristol, UK
- Abdullah Gök; Univ Exeter, UK
- Sybille Hinze; Berlin University Alliance, Germany (secretary)
- Wolfgang Kaltenbrunner; CWTS, Univ Leiden, The Netherlands
- Martina Neuländtner; AIT, Austria
- Andrew Plume; Elsevier, The Netherlands
- Jesper Schneider; CFA-Univ Aarhus, Denmark (president)
- Antonio Zinilli; CNR / CERIS, Italy

Congratulations on your election! We would also like to express our sincere thanks to the outgoing members of the Board for their work.

Given the rather subdued response of members to the call for nomination of candidates for the ENID Board, the Board decided at its meeting on 3 September decided to reduce the size of the Board to five members, plus the ex officio members (i.e., the President, Treasurer, and Secretary), as specified in the ENID Statutes as minimum assembly. Consequently, the Board will consist of eight members in the future. This decision will be implemented in the 2027 election.

5. STI conference series

i. 2025 – Bristol: first impressions

Members were very positive about the conference. The program and the organization were very well received, with particular emphasis placed on the high level of commitment of the organizing team and their refreshing approach, especially in terms of how the conference was presented on the website and social media. The venue(s) were also considered very suitable for the event(s). The keynotes were also very well received. It was highly appreciated that Thed van Leeuwen stepped in as a replacement for the Ariana Becerril, who had to cancel her participation at the last minute.

The members would like to express their sincere gratitude to the organizing team for their hard work in making STIENID 2025 such a success.

ii. 2026 – Antwerp

Unfortunately, the organizations expected to organize STIENID 2026 withdrew their commitment. Thus, a call was published among ENID members to identify potential candidates. The University of Antwerp submitted a strong proposal, which the board agreed to accept. The location and dates (9-11 September 2026) of STIENID 2026 will be announced during the closing session on Friday, 3 September. Tim Engels and his team will organize the event.

We were made aware that the OECD Bluesky Conference will also take place in September 2026. The OECD contacted the secretary to discuss the planned dates and prevent a scheduling conflict. The secretary facilitated direct communication between the STIENID 2026 organizers and the OECD Bluesky organizers, resulting in a mutually agreeable solution. While the location of the OECD Bluesky event has yet to be determined, the timing will ensure complementarity rather than conflict. The OECD Bluesky event will likely take place the week after STIENID 2026.

Members generally asked to check for potential scheduling conflicts with other conferences, e.g., CHER and to avoid them if possible.

iii. potential candidates for subsequent years

Both CNR Rome and CWTS Leiden have expressed an interest in hosting the event in 2027. However, CNR Rome has communicated that, it will only be able to organize the conference in 2027 due to administrative reasons. The board will discuss the matter with both institutions to find a mutually agreeable solution.

6. Membership criteria: adaptation of template

Against the background of some odd membership applications and the fact that some members are inactive the Board decided at its September 2024 meeting to amend the membership application template. Consequently, a new section has been added to the template, in which applicants must explain why they wish to join ENID. The new template is already available on the ENID website.

The question was raised as to whether there are any restrictions on the types of organizations that can join ENID. In his response, President Jesper Schneider referred to previous discussions on this topic and confirmed that earlier decisions had established that there are no such restrictions. Instead, the main criterion is that the institution applying for membership is active in our areas of focus.

7. Varia

Gemma Derrick announced that the STIENID conference will end with a slight surplus. The board agreed to donate the surplus to a Bristol-based charity, most likely the Children's Hospital. The final selection is at the discretion of the local organizers' discretion.



Jesper Schneider (president)



Sybille Hinze (secretary)