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To the members of the Board  
of the IASQ and to  
Mr. W. den Bieman,  
accountant

Concerning: policy 2017

Amsterdam, 5th January 2017

Dear all of you

With this letter I present you an overview of our policies in the year 2017. This is also to inform the Dutch fiscal authorities <sup>1</sup>. It is based on the approval of our letters to the board in 2016 and based on the policy outcomes of 2016 as presented regularly on our website:

1. Organizing financial facilities for the continuation of the International Journal of Social Quality in 2017 and
  - \* Managing the completion and distribution Volume 6 (1) and Volume 6 (2),
  - \* organizing the production and distribution of Volume 7 (1) and Volume 7 (2).
  - \* continuing the discussions with the Chinese Academy of Social Sciences for delivering facilities for the Journal between 2018 and 2022.
  - \* Discussing with Berghahn Publishers for extending all facilities for the dissemination of social quality work (theoretical, methodological and with regard to policies applications).
2. Organizing scientific collaboration in Europe, Australia, Asia and the USA for obtaining support for the development of the International Journal of Social Quality, especially developing the collaboration with the Norwegian Council for Social Sciences concerning a thematic issue on shame.
3. Organizing financial facilities for the development of the IASQ-website and investing in the elaboration (content and form) of this website.
4. Preparing the application for 'social sciences research sustainability' on invitation of the International Council of Social Sciences (ISSC) with support by academic institutes in the UK, Norway, France, Belgium, The Netherlands, Japan, India, China.
5. Preparing the application for developing the 'International Joint Research Group Ukraine' on invitation of the Academy of Social (economic) Sciences of Ukraine and the Government of Ukraine in collaboration with the European Commission and with support by academic institutes in Ukraine, Hungary, Poland, Germany, Belgium, Netherlands, UK and China.

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<sup>1</sup> This is requested for continuing the Dutch status of 'public service institution', obtaining fiscal benefits with regard to the financial aspects of the IASQ's work.

6. Organizing financial facilities for the IASQ in order to continue its scientific and practical assistance to the new project for 'caring of elderly under the lead of elderly and groups of citizens' of the quarter Laak of the City of The Hague, based on the outcomes of its past 'pilot Project Health Care, Welfare and Sports, Quarter Laak' (financed by the European Commission and the Municipality In The Hague: 2011-2015).
7. Assisting and dissemination of the second manifesto of the IASQ: 'Brexit and the recent Declaration on Social Quality', produced by the University of Sheffield and the Hope University Liverpool.
8. Developing the theoretical aspects of the 'social quality approach' in order to enhance the recent state of affairs of its theory and methodologies.
9. Maintaining and developing contacts with scholars in the USA, Russia, China, EU, Japan, Australia, India etc concerning debates about the 'social quality approach', as well in comparison to other comparable approaches in the world.

With all my best wishes

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