



## INTERNATIONAL FACULTY AND STAFF ASSOCIATION

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Dear IFSA colleagues

Please help me welcome the members of the new Executive Committee as they are embarking on their roles. Sara and Yiyi, welcome aboard! Amrita, Francisco, and Yvonne, thank you for continuing in leadership roles for IFSA!

After more than 4 years of working on the vision that became IFSA, I am truly grateful to be able to pass the torch to a group of such talented and engaged people. I am confident that they will bring wonderful new ideas and expand further the scope of the association.

Also, I would like to thank everyone who helped with the creating of IFSA and making it into a stable and successful association that it is today. In particular, I would like to take a moment to acknowledge the colleagues that joined Edel Segovia and me during 2015-2017 to work on the founding of IFSA: Regina Felix, Florentina Andreescu, Greta Bliss, Francisco Brignole, Nandana Bose, Amrita Das, Alexia Franzidis, Yvonne Marsan, Roza Starodubtseva, Indranil Ghosh, Mahnaz Moallem, Eman Ghoniem, and Marina Quarticelli. Thank you all for sharing in the passion and the time commitment! Thanks are also due to Jennifer Fernandez-Villa and Michael Wilhelm who gave us crucial and unwavering support from the very beginning.

Finally, thanks to all of you who participated in and contributed to IFSA's events during IFSA's first two formal years. Looking forward to seeing you all at the upcoming ones!

Sincerely,

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17-19 Co-Chair