

Minutes of the SFRR-International General Assembly held during the 22nd SFRR-I Biennial Meeting in Galway, Ireland, June 5th, 2025

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Present: Hozumi Motohashi (SFRRI President-Elect), Patricia Oteiza (SFRR-I General Secretary), Corinne Spickett (SFRRI Treasurer), Giovanni E. Mann (SFRRI Past-President, vice Roland Stocker), Albert van der Vliet (SfRBM President-Elect), Giuseppe Valacchi (SFRRE President), Nina Dickerhof (SFRR Australasia President), Chang Chen (SFRR Asia President)

A total of ~40 SFRRI members attended the General Assembly.

1. Approval of Agenda

Agenda was pre-circulated and approved.

2. Brief Introduction from the President

Giovanni Mann, represented Roland Stocker, who was not able to attend, and presented the following items:

Proposal for changes to SFRRI Byelaws. Presentation/discussion of proposed changes to Byelaws, which had been pre-circulated to all regional SFRR Executives:

- a. Need for Treasurer to be resident UK: Vote: Majority in favor, 0 against, 1 abstention b. Election of President-Elect: Giovanni Mann explained the need to synchronize SFRRI Executive appointments with Biennial Scientific Meetings, which was disrupted by the pandemic. Maret Traber was the only candidate for SFRRI President-Elect, and the assembly confirmed her election: Vote: majority in favor, 0 against, 0 abstention.
- 3. Organization of the 23rd SFRRI Biennial Scientific Meeting in 2027 by SFRR Asia The organizer, Hozumi Motohashi, invited members to participate. The meeting will be held in Sendai, Japan, March 28-31, 2027. This is a time of beautiful weather. She will try to schedule many symposia to maximize opportunities for people to present. An announcement of the venue/dates will be uploaded on the SFRRI website in due course.
- 4. Potential hosts for the 24th SFRRI Biennial Scientific Meeting in 2029

Roland Stocker had been contacted by SfRBM (via Kent Lindeman) that SfRBM propose to host a joint SFRRI Biennial meeting in Orlando, Florida, USA in 2029. Albert van der Vliet will bring this initiative to the SfRBM Executive.

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Kelvin Davis stressed that the joint meeting in 2029 should be organized as a SFRR-I meeting rather than in the format of a SfRBM annual meeting. Maret Traber supported this notion and said that she will liaise with the SfRBM Executive and Albert van der Vliet, with the aim of discussing potential alternative venues.

7. Report from Treasurer

Corinne M. Spickett presented the current balance of the SFRR-I account, explaining the sources of the main income and main expenditure (conferences, other meetings, students travel awards). The deficit in 2025 occurred because of the additional expenses incurred in supporting the SFRR-I Biennial Galway meeting. For this meeting, the Society provided support (400-800 Euros) for 18 awards (2 awardees were not able to attend). She then presented the similar year account trends for 2020-2025, highlighting the importance of the financial support received from Elsevier.

Giovanni Mann also thanked Enrique Cadenas for the support from OCC and Anthony Newman for his efforts in securing continued support for SFRR-I from Elsevier.

8. Report from General Secretary

Patricia Oteiza reminded the young members of the regional societies that SFRR-I cannot contact them directly. She encouraged them to participate actively, for example, by submitting to their societies proposals for SFRR-I awards and candidates for SFRR-I elections. She also reminded them of the information that they can find on the SFRR-I webpage, including applications for conference support, information on activities supported by the society, etc.

9. Reports from Regional Society Representatives

SFRR Europe: Giuseppe Valachi, SFRR-Europe President, highlighted the success of the Galway's meeting, and shared that the society membership is growing, having reached 600 members. Next year's meeting will be held in Mainz, Germany, and organized by Prof. Andreas Daiber, with Prof. Tilman Grune as Co-Chair.

SfRBM: President-Elect Albert van der Vliet explained that SfRBM contributed generously to this meeting, including support for several student awards.

SFRR-Australasia: Nina Dickerhof explained that she stepped into the role of President of Society for Redox Research Australasia in January 2024, taking over from Andrew Bulmer. At the start of the year, Judy de Haan was elected as President-Elect and Kristine

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McGrath as Secretary. Highlights: Christine Winterbourn won the prestigious SfRBM lifetime achievement award. The Society held a successful meeting jointly with SFRR Japan, in Canberra, Australia.

SFRR-Asia: President Chang Chen reported on the successful 11th biennial meeting of the Society that took place in Beijing, China, which she had organized. The Society is expanding to include Thailand. They will set up an ECR subcommittee of SFRR-Asia to facilitate interactions between ECRs in the different regional SFRR Societies. The 12th biennial meeting of SFRR-Asia will be hosted by SFRR Thailand between December 16-18, 2027.

10. Report on the joint SFRRI/SFRR Europe meeting held in Galway 3-6 June 2025

The conference Chair Kasia Whysall thanked all the SFRR Executives, the support from different organizations and companies, attendees, and all those involved in the organization of the Galway meeting. There were approximately 410 attendees from 40 countries, representing excellent geographical diversity.

Conference highlights are summarized below and are available: https://www.sfrrgalway2025.com

- 102 Session chairs from 22 countries
- 331 Speakers from 40 countries and 6 continents
- 206 Europe
- 66 Asia
- 36 North America
- 26 South America
- 6 Australia and New Zealand
- 1 South Africa
- + 2 Satellite Symposia

11. Any other business

None

12. Next SFRRI General Assembly

To be held at the 23rd SFRRI Biennial Meeting in Sendai, Japan 28-31 March 2027.

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