

BOARD OF DIRECTORS – RECORD OF DECISIONS

06 November 2025

07:00 – 08:00 AM Quebec City Time

Zoom Meeting Details:

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PARTICIPANTS

Name	Officer / Function	Present	Regrets
Dr. Pamela Byrne	Vice President – Ireland	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Prof. Kaushik Banerjee	Member - India	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mrs. Zeinab Bouchiki	Member - Morocco	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Prof. Junshi Chen	Honorary President – China	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Prof. Samuel Godefroy	President – Canada	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ms. Nuri Gras	Vice President	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Dr. Wiem Guissouma	Executive Secretary - Tunisia	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Ms. Joyce Haddad	Executive Secretary – Lebanon	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Mr. Greg Paoli	Treasurer - Canada	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

PROPOSED AGENDA

Item	Participants
1. Review of the Agenda	All
2. Review and Approval of Older Records of Decisions: May, 8 th 2025 and December 20 th 2024	All
3. Introduction of Activity Report to be Presented at the General Assembly of Members	Prof. Godefroy, all
4. Agenda of General Assembly of Members	Prof. Godefroy – All
5. Consideration of A members	Prof. Godefroy – All
6. Proposal for the Composition of Board of Directors for a new tenure – Confirmation of Interest and Requirements	Prof. Godefroy – All
7. Other matters	Prof. Godefroy - All
8. Adjournment	

MEETING DISCUSSION HIGHLIGHTS

1. Review of the Agenda

The meeting commenced at 7:00 AM (Quebec time), chaired by Prof. Samuel Godefroy.

A quorum was confirmed. The agenda was presented and unanimously approved following a motion by Mr. Greg Paoli, seconded by Dr. Pamela Byrne.

2. Review and Approval of the 20 December 2024 Record of Decisions

The Record of decisions (RoD) of the Board meeting for 20 December 2024, were reviewed and unanimously approved by the Board, following a motion made by Pamela Byrne, seconded by Wiem Guissouma.

It was agreed that the RoD for the 8 May 2025 meeting will be circulated to Board members for review and electronic approval.

3. Introduction of Activity Report to be Presented at the General Assembly of Members

Prof. Godefroy reviewed the proposed report on accomplishments to be introduced at the General Members meeting, planned on 18 November 2025.

It was noted that GForSS website included the call for the General Members' meeting, respecting the regulatory timelines, and that members were also notified accordingly. The agenda of the Members meeting, as well as the report on accomplishments were posted on the website for review by members, prior to and during the meeting.

Any additional document that will be used for dissemination to members, in support of the General Members meeting would also be made available on the website, as per GForSS transparency policies.

4. Agenda of General Assembly of Members

The agenda of the General Assembly of Members was reviewed by board members.

Prof. Godefroy presented the outline of the 2026 Strategic outlook, planned for discussion at the General Members meeting.

While board members agreed with the general direction presented, it was however recommended that board members be availed with the opportunity to discuss such document during a special board meeting planned for 14 November 2025 at 8 AM Quebec time.

5. Consideration of A-Members

The Board voted unanimously to consider Mr. Pingfan Rao, Ms. Ruba Goussous, Mr. Hadi El-Alem and Mr. Hakim Mufumbiro as A members upon the endorsement and the proposal made by Prof. Samuel Godefroy.

6. Proposal for the Composition of Board of Directors for a new tenure – Confirmation of Interest and Requirements

A review of the requirements of candidacy of the Board of Directors was made. Current members confirmed their interest to join the board.

A full list of the candidates to the renewed board of directors was discussed and will be presented at the next Board meeting planned on November 14th.

Endorsement of at least 10% of voting members is secured based on feed-back obtained from membership. The full list with endorsement will be posted on the GForSS website, under the relevant section (Governance).

7. Other Matters

Dr. Pamela Byrne brought forward the need to have an enhanced approach for the documentation of the membership and particularly a clarification of the process related to the endorsement of members and A members in particular.

Other members echoed this need with support from the Chair of the Board. Prof. Godefroy committed to ensuring that this procedure is more fulsomely documented, with a more systematic and clear approach to be adopted.

8. Adjournment

The meeting concluded at 8:15 AM (Quebec time).