

Motion for ISISA to explore supporting Island Studies Journal with its banking functions

Island Studies Journal (ISJ) has been published since 2006. It is a non-fee charging, open access, and rigorously peer reviewed academic journal that serves the needs of island scholars, policymakers, and others around the world. ISJ's current institutional home is the University of the Faroe Islands. The journal is published by a Denmark-registered charitable association that is also named 'Island Studies Journal'. ISJ is also the official journal of ISISA.

The ISJ charitable association has healthy finances and currently holds the equivalent of around 19,500 euros in its Danish bank account. This money is derived largely from the journal's sponsorship agreement with University of the Faroe Islands, and it is used for paying a range of operational expenses. The charitable association is, however, confronting difficulty in maintaining its Danish bank account because none of its board members will be resident in Denmark for the long term.

Given the close existing connections between ISJ and ISISA, and given that the charitable association's objectives fit comfortably within those set forth in ISISA's Charter, we propose that the **ISISA Executive enters into discussions with the ISJ charitable association board in order to discuss a mutually acceptable arrangement which would see ISISA assist ISJ (the charitable association) with its banking functions.** The charitable association would be responsible for managing its own budget and its own contractual relations with third parties; ISISA would never be held liable for monies that might be owed by the charitable association. Should an arrangement be reached, an agreement would be made between the boards of ISISA and the charitable association to govern these and other financial matters.

If this motion is passed, it will help ensure both the continued flourishing of ISJ and the development of closer connections of mutual benefit between ISISA and ISJ.