
Report of the ICA President

2019

Marek S. Szyndel



UniLaSalle, Beauvais, France, 23 October 2019

**8th ICA Rectors and Deans Forum,
Wageningen University & Research,
24 to 26 October 2018**

We Celebrated 30th Anniversary of ICA



**“High Tech to Feed the World Sustainably:
Innovation from Spade to Fork”**

Presentations at **www.ica-europe.info**

ICA 30th Anniversary



- Anniversary Dinner – October 25th 2018
- ICA Board invited Dr. **Christian Patermann** to challenge us in an after dinner celebratory speech:

“Challenges for European life science universities in the next 10 years or so” and “the opportunities for ICA in supporting our members address those challenges”

New ICA Board members elected on GA 2018, Wageningen University and Research, Oct. 24, 2018

- Representative from the Southern European Constituency:

Prof. Ana Maria Nazaré Pereira

President of Agrarian and Veterinary School at University of Trás-os-Montes e Alto Douro (UTAD) in Vila Real, Portugal

ICA Board members



- **Marek SZYNDEL**, President, Warsaw University of Life Sciences (WULS), PL
- **Alex EVANS**, Vice President, University College Dublin (UCD), IE
- **Yvan LARONDELLE**, Treasurer, Université Catholique de Louvain (UCLouvain), BE
- **Michal Lostak**, delegated by Rector Petr Slenicka as Secretary to the Board, Czech University of Life Sciences, Prague (CULS), CZ
- **Josef Glössl**, Chair of ICA-Bioeconomy Committee, University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences (BOKU),
- **Barbara Hinterstoisser**, Chair of ICA-Edu Committee University of Natural Resources and Life Sciences (BOKU),

ICA Board members



- ***Antanas MAZILIAUSKAS***, Aleksandras Stulginskis University (ASU), LT
- ***Arthur MOL***, Wageningen University and Research (WUR), NL
- ***Ana Maria NAZARÉ PEREIRA***, Universidade De Trás-Os-Montes E Alto Douro (UTAD), PT
- ***Vadym TKACHUK***, National University of Life and Environmental Sciences of Ukraine, UA
- ***Peter BIELIK, Slovak University of Agriculture in Nitra, SK***

- ***Philippe CHOQUET***, co-opted as ICA Board Representative on the GCHERA GA. UniLaSalle, FR
- ***Matt TIPS***, co-opted as President IROICA , BE

ICA Board meetings in 2019:

- ICA Board hosted by the Czech University of Life Sciences Prague (CULS) on February 22nd 2019
- Two ICA Board meetings by Video Conferences:
May 10th and September 6th 2019
- & ICA Board meeting here today



9th ICA Rectors and Deans Forum 2019

Collaboration between European & African Life Science Universities for a Sustainable Future

at UniLaSalle, Beauvais, on 24 & 25 October 2019,

Expected Outcomes:

- Identified mutual benefits that can be gained from the collaboration between European and African life science universities.
- A renewed focus to on-going activities and new opportunities to address the global challenges
- Initiation of new relationships between African and European like-minded agricultural and life science universities.

10th ICA Rectors and Deans Forum 2020

Agriculture and Life Science Megatrends: Addressing Gaping Holes

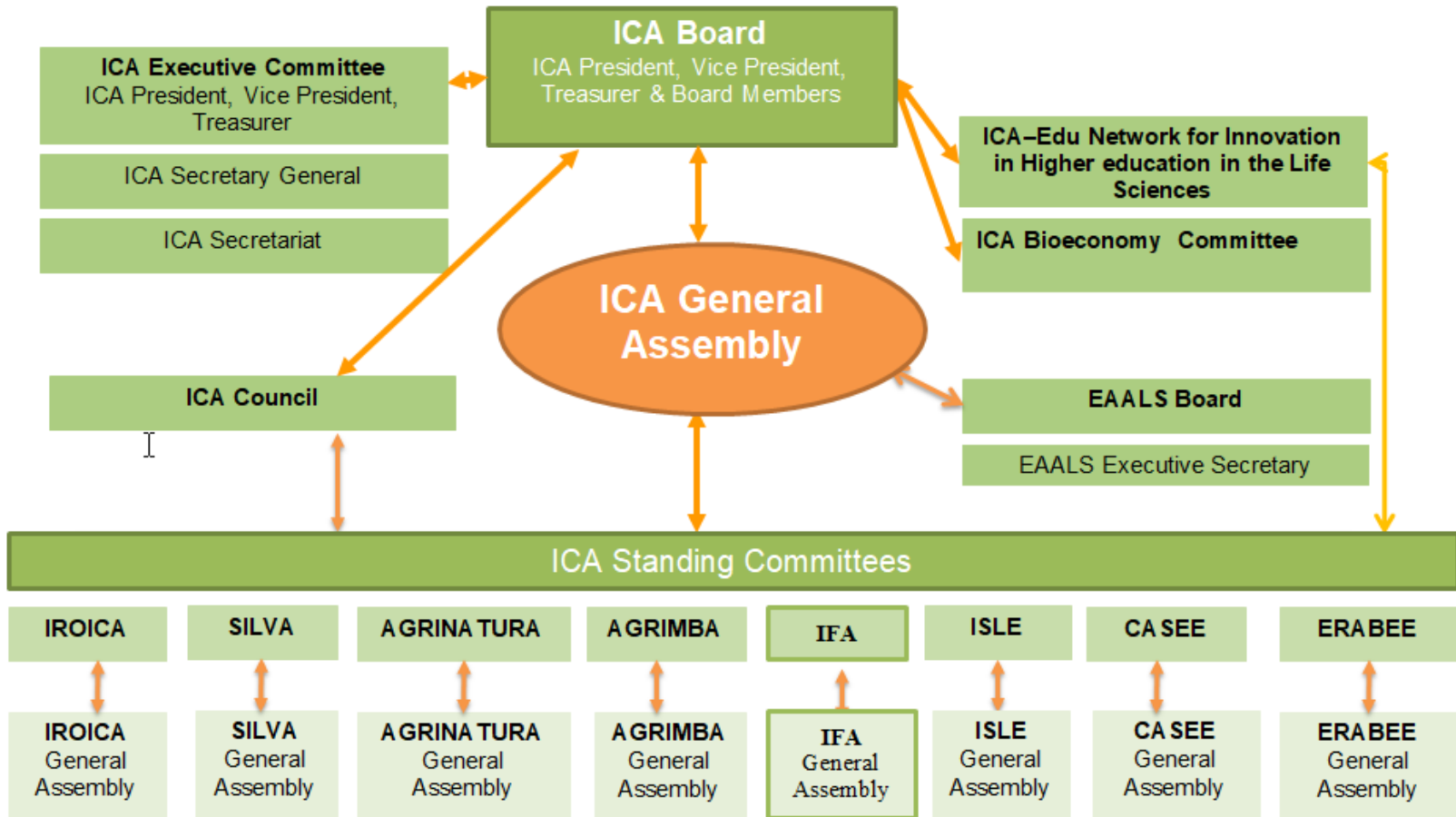
will be held at KU Leuven,
on 22 & 23 October 2020

With our North American Partners, APLU & ACFAVM

The conference will address selected megatrends from the perspective of the gaping holes through the windows of science, economics, politics and society. Gaping holes are defined as simple, complex or wicked problems/issues that need to be resolved.



Association for European Life Science Universities (ICA)



ICA Board Committees

- **ICA-Edu** – ICA Network for Innovation in Life Sciences Higher Education



- **ICA-Bio** – ICA Network for the Bioeconomy



ICA-Edu Board Committee

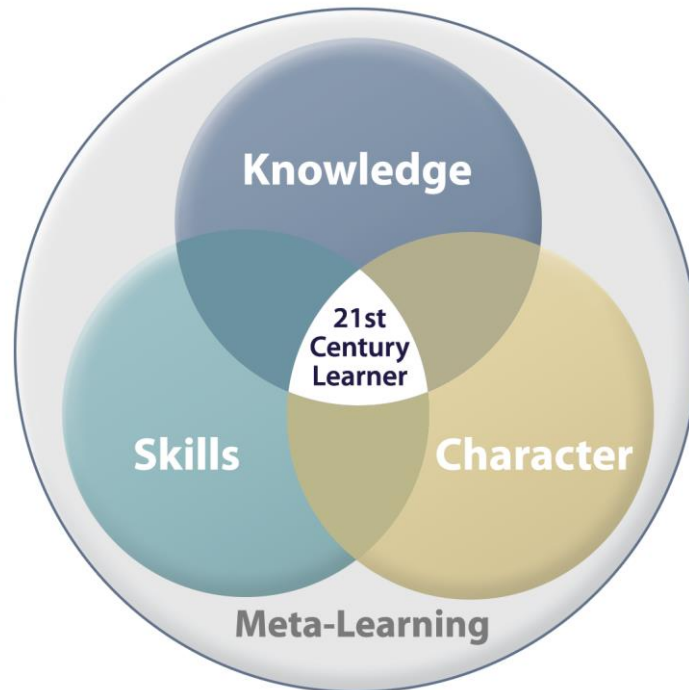


- aims to provide the opportunity to discuss, evaluate and deliver innovative approaches in teaching and learning in higher education in the life sciences

ICA – EDU



focuses on supporting the development of students' skills and character



ICA-Bio Board Committee



- Aims to contribute to the implementation of the EU Strategy for the bioeconomy in education, research and innovation by seeking synergies among ICA members and other EU and international institutions, industries, and networks
- Represent ICA Members at the European level

ICA and ICA Standing Committees

ICA defends general interests, whilst Standing Committees deepen actions in particular fields – together we present shared interests at the European level

ICA - an umbrella organization for Standing Committees

Support networks:

- **AGRINATURA** The European Alliance on Agricultural Knowledge for Development
- **CASEE** The ICA Regional Organization for Central and South Eastern Europe
- **I.S.L.E.** Association for Innovation, Teaching and Promoting Sustainable Development in the Life, Applied and Social Sciences in Europe and worldwide
- **IROICA**, the International Relations Officers' Network of the Association for European Life Science Universities

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Subject Specific Networks:

- **AGRIMBA**, International Network for the MBA Agribusiness and Commerce
- **ERABEE**, Network for Education and Research in Agricultural and Biosystems Engineering in Europe
- **IFA**, ISEKI Food Association
- **SILVA**, European Forest Science Academic Network

ICA works with European and Global Networks:

- APLU Association of Public and Land-Grant Universities in the US
- CFAVM Canadian Faculties of Agriculture and Veterinary Medicine
- CEDIA European Federation of Agronomist Associations
- GCHERA Global Confederation of Higher Education Associations for the Agricultural and Life Sciences

- **International Student Associations:**
- IAAS International Association of Students in Agricultural and Related Sciences
- IFSA International Forestry Students' Association

20th Anniversary of GCHERA

10th GCHERA World Conference “Leadership of Agricultural and Life Science Universities for a sustainable world”

Planned to be held in April 2019 at the University of Agronomic Sciences and Veterinary Medicine (USAMV) in București, Romania had to be postponed until October 28-29, 2019 at Nanjing Agricultural University, China

„ICA in Brussels”

Draft discussion paper prepared by Arthur Moll and Paul Geurts *Wageningen University & Research* for:

- the IROICA conference in Vic, Spain 4-7 July 2019
- the ICA Board Meeting at UniLaSalle, Beauvais, on 23 October 2019



Others

External audit: Independent Auditor Report for GA for the 2018 accounts

- The current auditors were Marzena Ganc from Warsaw University of Life Sciences and Krzysztof Prymon from Wroclaw University of Environmental and Life Sciences.
- The ICA General Assembly approved the reappointment of the auditors.





Thank you for your attention

