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# A JOURNEY THROUGH THE FEDERATION OF INTERNATIONAL SOCIETIES OF PHILOSOPHY (FISP)

Within the realm of institutional structures that engage with a diverse range of issues, develop methodological approaches, and promote prospects in the field of Philosophy, the initial formations consisted of philosophical societies primarily rooted in national origins. These societies encompassed a mix of long-established institutions and more recent organizations. Some notable examples include the Australasian Association of Philosophy (1923), Philosophische Gesellschaft Wien (1954), Société Philosophique de Bruxelles (1980), Société Philosophique de Louvain (1888), Sociedade Brasileira de Filosofia (1927), Bulgarian Philosophical Society (1968), Canadian Philosophical Association (1958), Société Française de Philosophie (1901), Finnish Philosophical Society (1873), Allgemeine Gesellschaft für Philosophie in Deutschland (1948), University Philosophical Society (1648) (Ireland), Società Filosofica Italiana (1906), Polish Philosophical Society (1904), Société Suisse de Philosophie (1940), Aristotelian Society (1870), Royal Philosophical Society of Great Britain (1865), and American Philosophical Association (1900), among others.

Established in 1948, the Federation of International Societies of Philosophy (FISP) stands as the preeminent non-governmental global organization dedicated to the advancement of philosophy. Its primary objectives encompass facilitating the development of professional relations among philosophers from all nations, fostering unfettered and respectful exchanges, promoting connections between institutions, societies, and publications dedicated to philosophy, accumulating valuable documentation for the advancement of philosophical studies, hosting a World Congress of Philosophy every five years, advocating for philosophical education, preparing publications of global significance, and fostering the influence of philosophical knowledge on global challenges. Notably, FISP holds membership in the International Council for Philosophy and Human Sciences, a non-governmental organization that acts as a liaison between international federations in the humanities and UNESCO.

FISP emerged from the International Congresses of Philosophy in the early 20th century and gradually evolved into a permanent international organization in 1948. The organization's vision is centered on fostering intellectual cooperation among philosophers transcending cultural and scholarly traditions. FISP's core objectives reflect an unwavering dedication to nurturing communication between diverse philosophical traditions and disseminating philosophical knowledge on a global scale. At its core, FISP recognizes the vital significance of interdisciplinary and intercultural dialogue, assuming the role of a catalyst for meaningful conversations that transcend disciplinary boundaries. The enduring relevance of FISP in the contemporary philosophical landscape becomes unmistakable as the organization engages with pressing issues and enriches the collective wisdom of humanity. FISP's steadfast commitment to fostering intellectual cooperation, nurturing dialogue, and advancing philosophical scholarship serves as an inspiration to all who traverse the intricate realms of philosophy.

FISP was established through UNESCO's initiative to support international education, culture, and science. It encompasses philosophical institutions such as associations, societies, institutes, and academies, subject to specific requirements for membership. The member societies are classified as national or international, determining their voting rights within the General Assembly. FISP operates as a representative democracy, with the General Assembly responsible for approving statutes, reports, and future activities, as well as electing the President and members of the Comité Directeur (CD). The CD, in turn, forms the Bureau and assumes responsibility for day-to-day operations. FISP's primary undertaking revolves around organizing international congresses of philosophy every five years, facilitating global collaboration and deliberations on significant philosophical matters.

The General Assembly, CD, and Bureau play integral roles in FISP's governance, while the President represents the federation and ensures adherence to its statutes. The process of electing CD members and the Bureau has evolved over time, striving to strike a balance between continuity and innovation. While FISP's involvement in publications is limited, with the Bulletin serving as the primary official publication, various publications associated with FISP initiatives have been independently released. Milestone events and noteworthy facts:

- *The inaugural International Congress of Philosophy took place in Paris in 1900.*
- *The most recent International Congress of Philosophy was held in Beijing, China, in 2018. The upcoming International Congress of Philosophy is scheduled to take place in Italy in 2024.*
- *FISP's official website can be found at <https://www.fisp.org>.*
- *The FISP membership list is provided at <https://www.fisp.org/national-members>.*

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