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## NEWS FROM IFCM

### IFCM KICKS OFF IN HIGH GEAR WITH THE CREATION OF STANDING COMMITTEES

During their first meeting on 16 December 2020, the elected Board members started positively and actively and confirmed the creation of several committees to manage the various matters of IFCM. Membership on standing committees is distributed among the Board and staff members. Here is an overview.

**Secretary of the Board:** Ki Adams

### WSCM 2023

- Administrative Committee: Ki Adams (chair), Yoshihiro Egawa, Gábor Móczár
- Artistic Committee: Jan Schumacher (chair), Cristian Grases, Beverly Shangkuan-Chen (Members from Qatar to be confirmed in the next enews.)

### CONDUCTORS WITHOUT BORDERS (CWB)

- Chair: Thierry Thiébaud
- Members: Burak Onur Erdem, Yveline Damas, Yoshihiro Egawa, María Guinand, Jan Schumacher, Roula Abou Baker, Ana Patricia Carbajal, Victoria Liedbergius, Iva Radulović (secretary)

### WORLD CHORAL DAY (WCD)

- Chair: Gábor Móczár
- Members: María Guinand, Burak Onur Erdem, Saeko Hasegawa

### SHANGHAI COOPERATION ORGANIZATION COUNTRIES YOUTH CHOIR (SCOCYC)

- Chair: Gábor Móczár
- Members: Ki Adams, Burak Onur Erdem, Saeko Hasegawa, André de Quadros





## ASIA PACIFIC YOUTH CHOIR (APYC)

- Chair: Yoshihiro Egawa
- Members: John Rosser — plus other local representatives

## INTERNATIONAL CHORAL COMPOSITION COMPETITION (ICCC)

- Chair: Burak Onur Erdem
- Members: María Guinand, Jan Schumacher

## WORLD CHORAL EXPO (WCE)

- Chair: Jan Schumacher
- Members: Roula Abou Baker, María Guinand, Jo-Michael Scheibe, Ki Adams

## CHORAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

- Chair: Tim Sharp
- Members: Jo-Michael Scheibe, Gábor Móczár, Ana Patricia Carbajal, Irvinne Redor, Naomi Faran, Kaie Tanner

## GOVERNANCE AND ELECTION COMMITTEE

- Chair: Sonja Greiner
- Members: Niels Græsholm, John Rosser

## DATA PROTECTION OFFICER

- Board member responsible for any related issue: Niels Græsholm

## STAFF LIAISON OFFICER

- Board member responsible for staff questions or issues: Dominique Lecheval

## INTERNATIONAL CHORAL BULLETIN (ICB)

- Board representative to be confirmed in the next enews.

## IFCM REPRESENTATIVES ON PARTNERSHIP PROJECTS

**Festivals in China:** Emily Kuo Vong

### World Youth Choir Foundation

- Members of the Board: Emily Kuo Vong, Ki Adams, Iva Radulović (ex officio)
- Artistic Advisor: Cristian Grases

### European Music Council and International Music Council

- Representative: Ki Adams

### Africa Cantat

- Representatives: Iva Radulović, Yveline Damas, Thierry Thiébaud, Sonja Greiner

## SHORT VIEW ON THE WORLD CHORAL DAY 2020

### We are all thir(s)ty for singing!

Total World Choral Day 2020 registrations: 147

- Traditional concerts: 28
- Virtual concerts: 34
- Virtual choir videos: 29
- Edited videos from previous performances: 56

In this 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary year of [World Choral Day](#), we offered new, exciting possibilities for participation due to the Covid-19 restrictions imposed on many choral ensembles

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around the world. Even though there were less registrations this year, we received the highest number of videos of all time, a real achievement for WCD 2020! Most of the videos were uploaded on a [YouTube playlist](#). Many additional videos were also received through Facebook links and could not be uploaded on the YouTube playlist. Please check [here](#) for these additional choral videos. If you just want to watch a nice summary of the WCD 2020, please use this [link](#).



## NEWS FROM IFCM FOUNDING MEMBERS

### AMERICAN CHORAL DIRECTORS ASSOCIATION (ACDA)

**Registration Open! [ACDA Virtual National Conference - "Diversity in Music"](#)** – 18-20 March 2021. This year's national conference is virtual, making it easier than ever before to "attend". If you cannot, or do not wish to, participate in real time, register and you can access recordings and materials through December 2021. For more information, visit [Diversity in Music](#).

**[Resources for Choral Professionals During the Pandemic](#)**. ACDA has created a page of information, ideas, and tools especially for choral conductors and educators. Most are free, and the page is updated regularly.

### ACDA's regional conferences have been scheduled for 2022!

- Eastern Region (Boston, Massachusetts), 9-12 February 2022
- Midwestern Region (Chicago, Illinois), 16-19 February 2022
- Southern Region (Little Rock, Arkansas), 28 February – 3 March 2022
- Western Region (Long Beach, California), 2-5 March 2022
- Northwestern Region (Spokane, Washington), 9-12 March 2022

## EUROPEAN CHORAL ASSOCIATION - EUROPA CANTAT (ECA-EC)

### Bursaries for events for choral/vocal leaders and conductors

As part of the [Training Leading Voices](#) project, the European Choral Association – Europa Cantat is delighted to be able to offer **bursaries up to 2000€** to organisations looking to **increase the international audience of their events**.

The bursaries are available for events for vocal and choral leaders/conductors and are intended to cover costs that allow the organisers to enhance the international element of their event. Online, physical, and hybrid events are all eligible.

**Deadline for applications: 31 March 2021.**

Please see our [webpage](#) for more information and to access the application form. We look forward to receiving your applications!



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## Bursaries for choral events

- ▶ Up to 2000€ for organisations looking to increase the **international audience** of their events.
- ▶ Eligible events should take place before the end of 2022 - either **online, physical or hybrid**.
- ▶ Deadline for applications is **31st of March 2021**.

Find out more: [www.TrainingLeadingVoices.org](http://www.TrainingLeadingVoices.org)

### Digital Stage: For better online rehearsals!

Due to Covid-19 regulations, most choirs and ensembles across Europe and beyond are no longer able to rehearse or perform as they used to, and the digital tools currently available are not satisfactory.

German non-profit initiative [Digital Stage](#) is aiming to create a tool that will help choirs and ensembles to have a better experience and really make music together online. [Read](#) more about this initiative which the European Choral Association is supporting as a contributing partner. Even though the festive season of donations is over, Digital Stage will be very grateful for your donation and will make good use of it to develop the software further which ultimately will help the whole sector.

If you want to contribute to the development of this tool which has the potential to make a significant difference for so many artists in the world, including singers in choirs and ensembles, please support Digital Stage by donating [here](#).



### ECA-EC 2021 Brochure of Events

The European Choral Association - Europa Cantat has published its [2021 Brochure of Events](#). ECA-EC hopes that this selection of events for singers, choirs & vocal groups, conductors & vocal leaders, creators, composers, and choral lovers from around Europe and beyond will inspire hope and optimism and showcase that the choral scene is very much alive. All over the globe, organizations are planning their events, trusting that we will go back to singing together very soon!

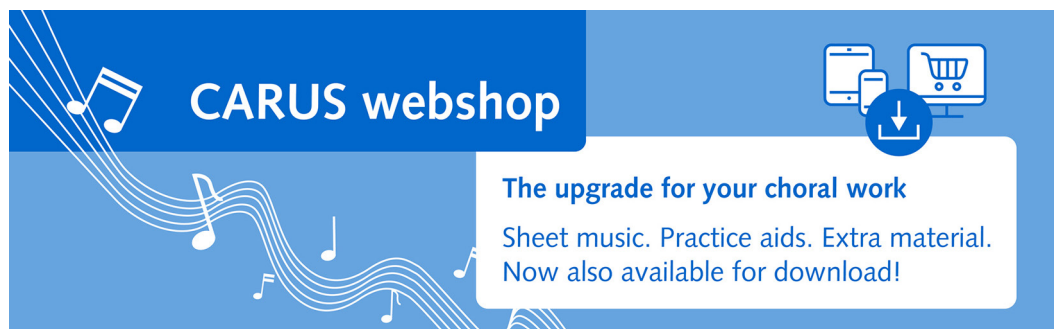
Read the [brochure](#) and help ECA-EC to promote collective singing across Europe by sharing it with your network!

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### NEWS FROM IFCM MEMBERS

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## **WHAT'S ON IN FEBRUARY AND MARCH 2021 IN OUR CHORAL WORLD**

We invite you to visit the [Calendar of Choral Activities](#) published by the European Choral Association – Europa Cantat and the American Choral Director Association ACDA's Network [ChoralNet](#) to check on the choral events planned in the coming months.