

## **APSA Section on European Politics and Society**

### *Bylaws*

(Amended 10 September 2025)

#### *Article I. Name and Purpose of Section*

Section 1. The name of the section is the European Politics and Society Section of the American Political Science Association.

Section 2. The purpose of the Section is to promote interest in teaching and research in all aspects of European politics and society at all levels of governance.

Section 3. The Section encourages communication between Europeanists within the APSA by publishing a newsletter and maintaining a list server for all dues paying members.

#### *Article II. Membership and Dues*

Members of the group shall consist of persons with an interest in research and teaching in the areas of European integration, politics and society, who pay annual dues. Dues are determined by the annual business meeting at the recommendation of the Executive Committee. Dues are paid in conjunction with membership of the APSA.

#### *Article III. Officers and Governance*

Section 1. The Section will be governed by an Executive Committee consisting of the Chair, Vice-Chair (also Chair-Elect), Treasurer, and a Steering Committee appointed by the Executive Committee. The Steering Committee consists of nine members appointed for three-year terms. At least three new members shall be appointed each year.

Section 2. The Executive Officers serve for two year terms. The Vice-Chair as Chair-Elect continues for for two additional years as Chair.

Section 3. The Chair is responsible for implementing and coordinating the activities of the Section. The Vice-Chair (and Chair-Elect) shall assist the Chair and will preside in the absence of the Chair. The primary role of the Vice-Chair (and Chair-Elect) will be to serve as Annual Meeting Program Chair (Division Chair). The Chair shall consult the Steering Committee and may delegate activities to the members of the Steering Committee as deemed suitable.

Section 4. The Executive Committee shall appoint the Treasurer. If not already a member of the Steering Committee, the Treasurer and the Program Chair serve as ex officio members of the Steering Committee for the duration of their appointment.

#### *Article IV. Nomination and Election of Officers*

Nominations and elections for the Executive Committee will be conducted at the annual business meeting under the following procedures:

Section 1: The Executive Committee shall solicit nominations of new officers from the executive board by April 1 and propose a list of candidates to the Section. The Executive Committee shall seek to represent different fields—including but not limited to European integration, East and West Europe—in its own membership. The proposed slate of new officers shall be made public to the Section's members prior to the annual business meeting.

Section 2. Officers are elected by a majority vote of all members attending the annual business meeting.

Section 3. The Executive Committee will fill all vacancies in its own membership until the next regularly scheduled election.

#### *Article V. Amendments*

The annual business meeting shall have the power to modify, amend, or alter the bylaws of Section by a majority vote.