

A message from the President and Executive Director

Having reached the 25th anniversary of the first published report of AIDS and the 10th anniversary of the scientific breakthrough represented by highly active antiretroviral therapy, it is a time for all of us involved in the response to HIV/AIDS to take stock.

It is time to reflect on our progress, refine our vision, recharge our batteries and renew our commitment. We need to do so not with lofty rhetoric but with practical action. As activist and author Douglas Crimp said many years ago, “we do not need to transcend the epidemic; we need to end it.”

With this, our first annual report, we are pleased to describe the activities and progress of the International AIDS Society (IAS) during 2005. We are immensely proud of our democratic governance structures and processes. This annual report is a reflection of our commitment to transparency and accountability to our members, partners and other stakeholders.



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It was a year when we had the opportunity to listen to the exceptional challenges and inspiring hope of our members, HIV/AIDS professionals from around the globe. In 2005 IAS programmes and activities have responded to those challenges and inspirations, and have advanced our vision of working together to prevent, control and treat HIV/AIDS.

Now, more than ever, we are stronger together.

Helene D. Gayle, MD, MPH, President

Craig McClure, Executive Director

June 2006

Who we are

IAS is the world's leading independent association of HIV/AIDS professionals, with over 7,000 members in 153 different countries.

What we do

We connect. By convening the world's largest meetings on HIV/AIDS, IAS provides critical platforms for presenting new research, sharing best practices and advancing the fight against AIDS.

We promote. By promoting dialogue, education and networking, IAS helps close gaps in knowledge and expertise at every level of the response.

We mobilize. By providing support to our members, we help them advance state of the art prevention, treatment and impact mitigation.

Our vision

A worldwide force of professionals working together to prevent, control and treat HIV/AIDS.

Strengthening our role in the global response

In late 2004 the IAS relocated from Stockholm to Geneva in order to strengthen its permanent secretariat and establish stronger links with multilateral agencies such as the World Health Organization (WHO) and United Nations Joint Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS), and other key non-governmental organizations involved in the response to HIV/AIDS. We know how vital collaboration is in mobilizing action against this disease, and the key role the IAS can play as a global knowledge-broker. The IAS has a unique opportunity – and responsibility – to bring together individuals working in diverse settings and disciplines, from areas of the world separated by geography, culture, language and resources, and to leverage the expertise and knowledge of its members in an effective, sustained global response.

To do this we need a strong, diverse secretariat, so 2004 was also the year that the IAS hired its first Executive Director, Craig McClure. He began the process, continued in 2005, of building a skilled, international staff to strengthen the role of the IAS and the International AIDS Conference in responding to the epidemic. We also began to work on developing a road map for our future that will capitalize on the expertise of our membership and Governing Council.



Stronger Together Strategic Framework 2005-2009

In July of 2005, the IAS Governing Council adopted a new strategic framework to guide the organization for the next five years. Many months in the making, *Stronger Together* sets out clear goals and objectives to ensure the IAS provides excellent service to its members and maximizes its impact on the epidemic.

Stronger Together maps out goals and strategies in four related areas:

Membership: The membership of the IAS is the foundation on which the organization acts as the independent voice of professionals working in HIV/AIDS throughout the world. A large, diverse and actively engaged membership gives the IAS the credibility required to achieve its purpose, vision and mission.

Education, networking and promotion of best practice: Education, networking and the promotion of best practice are essential to enhancing the global response to HIV/AIDS. The overall strategy of the IAS in this area is to expand educational and training opportunities available to members and, particularly through the platforms of our conferences, to identify gaps, share experience, and increase the knowledge and expertise of professionals working in HIV/AIDS.

Policy and advocacy: A third element to achieving the IAS vision and mission is to facilitate policy development that will enhance HIV/AIDS research, prevention, care and treatment programmes. We advance sound, evidence-based policy through strong and effective advocacy.

Long-term organizational sustainability and success: The long term sustainability and success of the IAS is dependent on clarity of purpose, sound and transparent governance, a skilled, effective and diverse secretariat, and a strong and secure financial base.

You can read the entire strategic framework at www.iasociety.org.

Stronger Together – Capturing the vision of the IAS

To help support and promote the new vision and strategic framework of the IAS, we have adopted the *Stronger Together* tagline, which you will see on IAS publications and communications, including our website. It reflects the core vision of the IAS as an organization that connects professionals from around the world in the response to HIV/AIDS. If there is a lesson to be learned from our history with this disease, it is that we can do far more collectively than we can individually. As the IAS embarks on an ambitious new phase in its development, *Stronger Together* reminds us that unity is more important than ever in strengthening our response to HIV/AIDS, in bringing our combined knowledge and resources to bear on this pandemic and in providing new opportunities to share that knowledge with each other.

To reflect this renewed commitment and focus we are also launching a new logo and 'look' for the IAS. The new IAS logo includes a stylized ribbon with a red diamond in the centre. The ribbon reflects the powerful historical role this emblem has played in rallying awareness and public support for HIV/AIDS. The red diamond symbolizes how the IAS and its members – representing many disciplines, settings and approaches – stand at the centre of the global response to HIV/AIDS.



Membership MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS 2005

Expanding and diversifying the IAS membership, and serving members better are all key components of our new vision.

Over the past two years, the membership of the IAS has increased by 30%, from 4,800 to over 7,000 members. The largest increases were in members from the developing world; there has been a 40% increase in membership from Asia and the Pacific Islands, and a 50% increase from Africa. At the end of 2005, IAS members can be found in 153 countries, up from 139 just three years ago.

In 2005 the IAS began to develop a comprehensive strategy to expand our membership and to serve them better. A staff position was created to ensure dedicated attention to this priority.

A central thrust of this strategy is to expand our engagement with people working in the community response to HIV/AIDS. The IAS grows stronger as our membership increasingly reflects the voices of people working in all

sectors of the HIV/AIDS response: government and inter-governmental agencies, science, academia, industry, civil society, and the many clinicians, nurses and other health care workers on the frontlines of the response.

Membership benefits continue to improve. Members receive the new electronic IAS quarterly newsletter to keep them current on changes occurring within the organization. Members also receive a significant discount on *AIDS*, the official journal of the International AIDS Society. The members-only section of the IAS website is under constant improvement and expansion, allowing members to share skills, experience, information and opinions.

Members shape IAS policy, leadership and future directions. IAS is accountable to its members and stakeholders through direct, democratic and transparent elections of its Governing Council and Executive Committee. All members may participate in nominating and electing the Governing Council.

The IAS is committed to supporting regional activities and capacities, and to increase membership from all regions to ensure that it is a truly global organization. In 2005 the IAS increased its profile and recruited new members at regional conferences such as the International Conference on HIV/AIDS and Sexually Transmitted Infections in Africa (ICASA), the Latin American and Caribbean Forum of HIV/AIDS/STD held jointly with the Central American Congress of STD/HIV/AIDS (CONCASIDA) and the Central American Encounter of People Living with HIV/AIDS, as well as the International Congress on AIDS in Asia and the Pacific (ICAAP).

At each of these major regional gatherings, IAS representatives provided support, liaised with key regional organizations and leaders, promoted upcoming conferences, hosted booths to provide information about IAS and recruited new members.

Joining the IAS has also become easier for conference participants. Delegates to the 3rd IAS Conference on Pathogenesis and Treatment in Rio de Janeiro could easily join the IAS as part of their conference registration process. A similar approach will be used for the registrants to AIDS 2006 in Toronto.



Education, networking and promotion of best practice MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS 2005

The IAS is committed to leveraging the opportunities of its conferences and initiatives to enhance the response to HIV/AIDS.

International AIDS conferences

As we geared up for the XVI International AIDS Conference (AIDS 2006) in Toronto, 2005 was a landmark year to reassess and strengthen the role of the world's leading forum for debate, discourse and advocacy on HIV/AIDS. The *Future Directions* project involved an extensive consultation with key individuals and organizations involved in the response to HIV/AIDS. Fifty interviews, five consultations with over 60 participants, email correspondence and open meetings all contributed to a set of concrete recommendations to improve the impact of the International AIDS Conference.

Future Directions described a robust vision for the conference:

The conference has evolved from a relatively small scientific meeting focused on understanding an emerging epidemic to the largest and most diverse international gathering dedicated to a global health issue. Today the conference is as much about state of the art practice and effective utilization of available tools as it is about new scientific knowledge. As a gathering that brings together so many people and focuses on such a politically charged life and death issue, the conference will always generate controversy. It should also be a place that concentrates attention on evidence and outcomes over rhetoric and individual or organizational agendas. It should engage people on an ongoing basis, rather than focus exclusively on the five days of the actual conference meetings. The conference must maintain and expand the extensive involvement of all HIV/AIDS stakeholders throughout the world, including people living with HIV/AIDS, especially those from marginalized and vulnerable communities, other civil society representatives, health professionals, researchers, government, intergovernmental organizations, industry and the media. At Toronto and beyond, the conference must be a

premier international forum where lessons learned and best practices are acknowledged and shared, productive dialogue is nurtured, accountability is promoted, and the AIDS community engages collectively in tackling the central challenges before us.

Among key recommendations from *Future Directions* were:

1. *Expand dialogue and productive debate.*
2. *Organize some sessions around key challenges in HIV/AIDS.*
3. *Dedicate several sessions to discussion of Lessons from the Field.*
4. *Promote accountability among all stakeholders.*
5. *Increase the presence and quality of science.*
6. *Improve communications about, and within, the conference.*
7. *Expand access to and inclusion in the conference.*

You can read more about *Future Directions* at www.iasociety.org/futuredirections.

Many of the key recommendations and strategies from *Future Directions* were incorporated into the planning of AIDS 2006. The conference will be more accessible than previous conferences, with lower registration fees (even lower fees for non-OECD delegates), more funding for scholarships, a more inclusive planning and governance structure, and even greater involvement of people living with HIV/AIDS. The programme will address a number of key challenges facing the global HIV/AIDS response, as well as lessons learned from the field in scaling up HIV prevention and treatment services. The conference format will include more innovative sessions intended to facilitate dialogue and debate. The IAS continues to play a lead role in developing and supporting the AIDS 2006 conference in collaboration with co-organizers and programme committee volunteers. Information on AIDS 2006 is available at www.aids2006.org.

The IAS has selected Mexico City, Mexico as the location for the XVII International AIDS Conference (AIDS 2008), to be held 3-8 August 2008.

3rd IAS Conference on HIV Pathogenesis and Treatment, Rio de Janeiro

The IAS Conference on HIV Pathogenesis and Treatment provides a forum to bring together the cross section of basic and applied science specific to HIV/AIDS globally. Held in alternate years with the International AIDS conferences, the conference continues to grow in content, attendance and impact.

The 3rd IAS Conference on HIV Pathogenesis and Treatment was held in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, 24-27 July 2005. The conference highlighted current developments such as: expanded access to treatment in developing countries and encouraging results of new treatment combinations. Presentations also underscored the increasing proliferation of recombinant strains of HIV and resulting viral variability in a number of high-prevalence areas, an issue that has implications for vaccine and treatment

ANRS Director Jean-Francois Delfraissy, ANRS/IAS Prizewinners Damiloloa Ajoke (Uganda), Mr. Calazans (Brazil), Landry Tsague (Cameroon) and IAS President Helene Gayle at the 3rd IAS Conference on HIV Pathogenesis and Treatment, Rio de Janeiro.



“Recent and up-to-date information obtained at the [Rio] conference has helped me treat my patients on HAART much better. Contacts and colleagues met at the conference have been useful for sharing experiences and strengthening collaborations.”

– Delegate to the Rio conference

research. The conference marked an important advance by featuring a high proportion of abstracts from low- and middle-income countries.

Several new features of the conference were tested out, most with enthusiastic response from participants. A new component on prevention science explored research developments in prevention methods and technologies, such as the potential impact of circumcision in reducing HIV transmission, microbicides, pre-exposure prophylaxis and vaccines. The prevention science component will become a permanent feature of the conference, and to reflect this, the conference has been renamed the IAS Conference on HIV Pathogenesis, Treatment and Prevention. The Rio conference also featured more interactive sessions, greater networking opportunities, and a “delegate connector” feature allowing delegates to connect via the conference website or delegate connector desk.

A new award for young investigators involved in research on scale up of prevention and treatment interventions was also launched in Rio. The award, funded with surplus funds from the 2nd IAS Conference in Paris, was hosted by the Agence Nationale de Recherches sur le SIDA (ANRS) and was jointly juried by the ANRS and the IAS. The ANRS/IAS Prize will become a recurring feature of IAS conferences, including AIDS 2006 in Toronto.

Planning is already underway for the 4th IAS Conference, to be held in Sydney, Australia from 22-25 July 2007.

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Rio by the numbers:

- 5579 participants
- 4980 delegates from 123 countries
- 2137 abstracts submitted (up from 1888 at the previous IAS conference)
- 1422 abstracts accepted from 91 countries
- 205 scholarships awarded from 59 countries, 50% from Latin America
- 53% of delegates surveyed were physicians or clinicians
- 54% of delegates surveyed had been engaged in HIV work for more than 10 years
- 60% of delegates surveyed were attending their first IAS Pathogenesis and Treatment Conference
- 80% of delegates surveyed rated the conference successful in providing new insights and facilitating knowledge exchange

Regional development initiatives

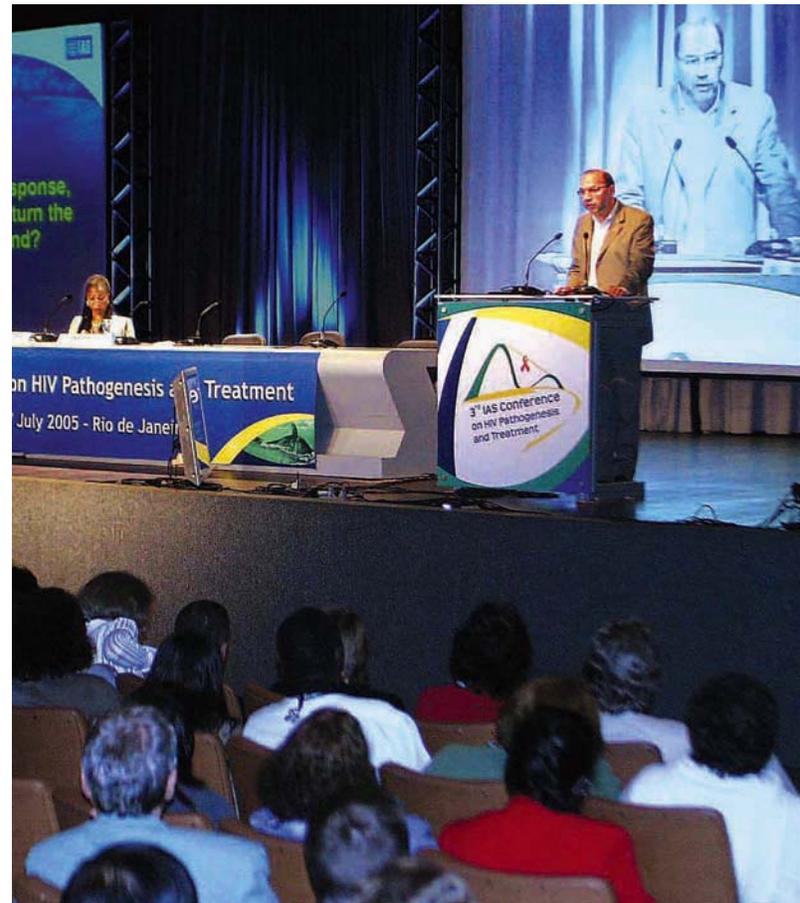
The IAS is increasing its engagement with regional AIDS societies and conferences. Staff at the IAS provide technical and advisory support for a number of regional conferences and participate in these meetings to network and exchange information with IAS members and other stakeholders in each region. We provided logistics and fundraising advice to the International Conference on AIDS and Sexually Transmitted Infections in Africa (ICASA) 2005, the regional conference in Africa, which was held in Abuja, Nigeria from 4-9 December. The IAS participated at the 7th International Congress on AIDS in Asia and the Pacific held in Kobe, Japan, and at FORO 2005 and CONCASIDA 2005, two regional AIDS conferences for Latin America and the Caribbean. The IAS also initiated consultations with the AIDS Society for Asia and the Pacific (ASAP) and the Society of AIDS in Africa (SAA) in order to continue strengthening links with regional organi-

IAS President Helene Gayle and Dr. Peter Piot, UNAIDS Executive Director at the 3rd IAS Conference on HIV Pathogenesis and Treatment, Rio de Janeiro.

zations and to agree on joint action. The IAS was a co-organizer of the 1st Eastern European and Central Asian AIDS Conference with AIDS InfoShare and UNAIDS, to be held in 2006, with Craig McClure, IAS Executive Director, co-chairing the conference organizing committee.

Other initiatives

The IAS coordinates a number of initiatives including *eJIAS*, the electronic Journal of the International AIDS Society. *eJIAS* is a peer-reviewed, primary-source Web-based journal dedicated to the dissemination of vital HIV/AIDS research conducted in developing countries. Co-published by the IAS and Medscape/WebMD, *eJIAS* is in its second year of publication. Published articles, including both original research and meta-analyses, have



covered the four major tracks of basic, clinical, epidemiological and social science, with the predominant focus on applied clinical research in resource-limited contexts. Contributors have included scientists and clinicians from both the developed and developing world, with an increasing number of recent articles published from researchers in resource-limited settings.

In 2005 the IAS commissioned an evaluation of *eJIAS*. The report concluded that there is strong support for *eJIAS* to strengthen its unique niche as the only open-access, peer-reviewed HIV/AIDS journal focused on research in the developing world. Several steps have already been taken to implement recommendations from the Progress Report to strengthen *eJIAS*, including hiring dedicated staff support at IAS headquarters, securing additional funding, expanding education and mentoring opportunities through *eJIAS*, and promoting the journal at regional and international conferences. *eJIAS* and Medscape hosted a very successful workshop for young researchers

“IAS is very credible at the international level. Here at ICASA 2005 people who hear about the IAS want to become members and join us in the fight against HIV/AIDS.”

– Professor Souleymane Mboup, Regional Representative, Africa IAS Governing Council

at the Rio conference to improve their skills in preparing manuscripts for review. *eJIAS* also provides online access to all abstracts, in searchable format, from the IAS and International AIDS Conferences, beginning with the XV International AIDS Conference in Bangkok.

AIDS, the official journal of the International AIDS Society, continues to be one of the most prestigious and high-impact journals covering groundbreaking research in basic and clinical science, epidemiology and social disciplines. *AIDS* also publishes comprehensive reviews of major developments authored by world-renowned experts.

The IAS website also features *World AIDS News*, which



IAS Executive Director Craig McClure, Director of Communications and Development Noam Perski, and IAS GC member Celso Ramos Filho at the 15th International Conference on AIDS in Bangkok, 2004.

provides daily summaries of HIV reports gleaned from multiple sources around the globe.

Supporting research and researchers in resource-limited countries continues to be a high priority for the IAS. In 2005, the IAS was proud to collaborate with the UK HIV Research Trust in administering the UK HIV Research Trust Scholarship Scheme. The scheme is focused on increasing research skills among health care providers. The 2005 round targeted researchers and clinicians from sub-Saharan Africa. Over US\$ 90,000 in scholarships was awarded to 12 recipients selected from a pool of 70 applicants.

The IAS is also committed to providing educational opportunities to strengthen policy and programme development, especially in resource-limited settings. In 2005 the IAS began the development of a new programme, in collaboration with the Centre for Global Health Research at the University of Toronto. The Short Course on Evidence-Based HIV/AIDS Programmes will be offered immediately after the AIDS 2006 Conference in Toronto. The training is designed for programme managers and policy makers working in government or non-governmental organizations who are responsible for determining national/state HIV policy or delivering large-scale prevention, care or treatment programmes. Thirty applicants from low- and middle-income countries were selected to enroll in the five-day course.

Policy and advocacy MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS 2005

As the expertise within the IAS secretariat continues to expand, so do our opportunities to affect policy. In 2005 the primary focus of our policy work was on pre-exposure prophylaxis (PREP), undertaken through both the **Industry Liaison Forum (ILF)** and consultations on PREP research.

ILF was established as an initiative of the IAS in 2002 with a mission to accelerate scientifically promising, ethical HIV research in resource-limited settings. ILF focuses particularly on the role and responsibilities of industry as sponsors and supporters of research. This initiative brings together industry, researchers and research sponsors from the developed and developing worlds to address the complex issues related to the scientific, operational and ethical challenges of research in the developing world. ILF organized several discussions in 2005, aimed at advancing the agenda on PREP research.

In addition to ILF-sponsored meetings, in 2005 the IAS convened multi-stakeholder consultations to explore the complex ethical and operational issues related to testing tenofovir as PREP in human clinical trials. The antiretroviral drug tenofovir has shown promise as a potentially powerful tool for HIV prevention. Amidst high-profile controversy, four of the clinical trials were halted prematurely, two of these due to community-led concerns and the remaining related to implementation and operational infrastructure

“ This [tenofovir] meeting has given us the much-needed opportunity to take a step back in order that we may take several strides forward.”

– Professor Bernard Lo, Bioethicist, University of California

issues. At issue were concerns regarding engagement with affected communities, the availability of prevention tools and counseling, provision of post-trial care and other rights afforded to trial participants. Recommendations from a large-scale multi-stakeholder consultation, held in May 2005, which was convened by the IAS and sponsored by



the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, are outlined in a report titled *Building Collaboration to Advance HIV Prevention: Global Consultation on Tenofovir Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis*. The report is available on the IAS website at www.iasociety.org.

As part of these consultations, the IAS organized an update session at the Rio Pathogenesis and Treatment Conference in July 2005. Over two dozen sponsors, researchers and activists engaged in a focused discussion of issues related to the ongoing trials.

Together with other stakeholders, the IAS successfully advocated for methadone and buprenorphine to be included on the WHO's Essential Drugs and Medicines List, a critical step to making these scientifically-proven therapies available throughout the world. We also used the opportunity of the Rio conference to have an informed discussion of the need for operations research as we move forward on strengthening health systems required for the scale-up of HIV prevention, care, and treatment. The report from that discussion is available on our website at www.iasociety.org.

The International AIDS Conference is an important vehicle for advancing policy discussions and establishing priorities for HIV/AIDS research and programme development. The *Future Directions* project and plans for AIDS 2006 in Toronto reflect the increased commitment of the IAS to expand its policy and advocacy role in the field of HIV/AIDS.

Long-term organizational sustainability and success

MAJOR ACHIEVEMENTS 2005

In 2005 we took steps to strengthen our organization's capacity and fiscal health. We continue to nurture a thriving organization to ensure that the IAS can play a strong role in the response to HIV/AIDS for as many years as that response is needed.

Governance

Our 7,000 members work at all levels of the response to HIV/AIDS, from 153 countries in every area of the globe. Membership is open to any person who works in the field of HIV/AIDS.

Members are eligible to vote to elect Governing Council members. Each of five regions elects five Governing Council members, for a total of 25. The Governing Council elects three officers: President, President-Elect and Treasurer. Participating on the Governing Council in an ex-officio role are the immediate past-President and the Executive Director.

IAS President-elect Pedro Cahn and Governance and Member Relations Manager Erika Lundström at the GC Governing Council Retreat in Seattle, November 2005.



The Executive Committee consists of the three officers plus one representative from each region, elected by council members from that region. The Executive Director serves in an ex-officio capacity.

The Executive Committee appoints the Executive Director, who hires and manages other staff in the secretariat.

The IAS President in 2005 was Helene D. Gayle. Dr. Gayle, President and CEO of CARE USA (formerly the Director, HIV, TB & Reproductive Health, Global Health Programs, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation), began her two-year term as IAS President at the close of the XV International AIDS Conference in Bangkok in 2004. Having worked in HIV/AIDS for almost 20 years as an epidemiologist and public health physician, she has noted it is a privilege to lead an organization that is so well grounded in research and evidence-based practice and policies.

Craig McClure joined the IAS in April 2004 as Executive Director. Experienced in HIV/AIDS policy and programming at the community, governmental and intergovernmental levels, Craig says the IAS' autonomy was his key reason for coming on board. A Canadian, Craig first became engaged in the fight against HIV/AIDS in the early 1990's as a prevention counsellor at South Manchester College and as a member of the activist organization ACT-UP. He later worked with the Canadian AIDS Treatment Information Exchange; Health Hounds, an HIV/AIDS consultancy group that he co-founded; the International AIDS Vaccine Initiative; and most recently, the World Health Organization (WHO). While at WHO, Craig managed the International HIV Treatment Access Coalition Secretariat and was a member of the strategy development team for the WHO/UNAIDS "3 by 5" initiative.

The full list of IAS Governing Council members in 2005 appears on page 12. The council is comprised of extraordinarily talented, dedicated and visionary leaders in their respective fields.

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An evolving and maturing infrastructure

The International AIDS Society is a visionary, ambitious and growing organization. Our Strategic Framework, finalized in 2005, confirmed that the IAS will continue to expand its membership, increase its services and activities, and enhance its impact on the HIV/AIDS epidemic in the years ahead.

To accommodate this expanded vision, the IAS infrastructure has evolved and matured. In late 2004, the organization relocated its home base from Stockholm to Geneva. The move was designed to help create a strong core secretariat close to other major international health and HIV organizations. Developing a highly-skilled, permanent team of staff was also critical to our plans to enhance institutional memory around the International AIDS Conference and the IAS Conference on HIV Pathogenesis and Treatment, and to increase capacity for other initiatives and member services.

In 2005 the IAS made significant progress towards establishing an infrastructure to support the vision adopted in the Strategic Framework. The organizational structure has been refined, and skilled staff recruited and trained. Information technology has been upgraded, and information technology best practices implemented. IAS publications, in print and online, have been expanded and improved. Information management practices have been put in place to ensure IAS institutional memory is captured and analyzed.

The secretariat grew from a staff of eight in 2004 to almost 30 by the end of 2005, coming to the IAS from every region of the globe. The IAS is working hard to strengthen the diversity of its staff and ensure people living with HIV and women participate in senior levels of the organization.

IAS Governing Council 2004-2006

Helene Gayle, USA, *President*
Pedro Cahn, Argentina, *President-elect*
Ian Weller, UK, *Treasurer*
Joep Lange, The Netherlands, *Immediate Past President*
Craig McClure, Switzerland, *Executive Director*

REGION 1: USA and Canada

Diane Havlir, USA, *Regional Rep*
Scott Hammer, USA
Julio Montaner, Canada
Robert Schooley, USA
Sharon Walmsley, Canada

REGION 2: Europe

Michel Kazatchkine, France, *Regional Rep*
Bonaventura Clotet, Spain
Jaap Goudsmit, Netherlands
Andrzej Horban, Poland

REGION 3: Africa

Souleymane Mboup, Senegal, *Regional Rep*
Hoosen Coovadia, South Africa
Elly Katabira, Uganda
Viola Onwuliri, Nigeria
Alan Whiteside, South Africa

REGION 4:

Latin America and the Caribbean

Luis Soto-Ramirez, Mexico, *Regional Rep*
Roberto Badaró, Brazil
Ivette Lorenzana de Rivera, Honduras
Héctor Pérez, Argentina
Celso Ramos Filho, Brazil

REGION 5: Asia and the Pacific Islands

NM Samuel, India, *Regional Rep*
Dennis Altman, Australia
Sukhontha Kongsin, Thailand
Hiroaki Mitsuya, Japan

Report of the auditors to the Governing Council of the International AIDS Society, Geneva

As auditors, we have audited the accounting records and the financial statements (balance sheet, income and expenditure statement and notes) of International AIDS Society for the period ended December 31, 2005.

These financial statements are the responsibility of the management. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We confirm that we meet the legal requirements concerning professional qualification and independence.

Our audit was conducted in accordance with auditing standards promulgated by the Swiss profession, which require that an audit be planned and performed to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. We have examined on a test basis evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. We have also assessed the accounting principles used, significant estimates made and the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the accounting records and financial statements comply with Swiss law and the organisation's statutes.

KPMG Fides Peat



William D. Laneville
Auditor in charge



Pierre Henri Pingeon
Geneva, 9 June 2006

Balance Sheet

as at 31 December 2005 *(figures are stated in US\$)*

	Notes	2005	2004
CURRENT ASSETS			
Prepaid expenses		–	10,300
Accounts receivable	3	443,612	1,489,774
C/A Toronto local host		473,796	–
Cash and cash equivalents	4	3,577,429	2,121,127
Cash: ICASA		278,407	–
Cash: Leadership		388,992	503,334
		5,162,236	4,124,535
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Guarantee		51,326	56,815
Equipment		38,161	32,704
		5,251,723	4,214,054
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Deferred income	5	229,852	287,860
Fund ANRS prize		80,938	–
Creditors		107,206	133,314
Accounts payable	6	988,300	664,822
		1,406,296	1,085,996
FUNDS & RESERVES			
Restricted Funds			
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IAC Leadership Fund		385,402	503,334
IAC Scholarship Reserve		–	135,500
IAS 2005 Rio Conference		–	796,356
AIDS Toronto 2006 Conference		480,511	(677,871)
IAS 2007 Sydney Conference		(91,111)	–
AIDS Mexico 2008 Conference		(88,460)	–
Industry Liaison Forum Fund		92,681	104,906
E-JIAS		(12,487)	–
Tenofovir PREP		1,373	–
ICASA 2005 Conference		279,800	–
EECAAC 2006 Conference		16,021	–
		1,063,730	862,225
Unrestricted & IAS Designated Funds			
IAC Revolving Fund		1,000,000	1,000,000
IAS Conference Revolving Fund	8	250,000	–
General IAS Reserve for Future Conferences		540,000	540,000
General IAS Reserve	9	991,697	725,833
		2,781,697	2,265,833
Total Funds & Reserves		3,845,427	3,128,058
TOTAL LIABILITIES		5,251,723	4,214,054

Income and Expenditure Account

for the year ended 31 December 2005 (figures are stated in US\$)

	UNRESTRICTED FUNDS		RESTRICTED FUNDS		TOTAL	
	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004
FUND BALANCE at 1 January 2005	2,265,833	–	862,225	–	3,128,058	–
Revenues						
Conferences income	–	2,315,215	2,402,247	643,151	2,402,247	2,958,366
Membership dues	185,041	–	–	–	185,041	–
Sponsors	–	–	6,114,156	1,630,000	6,114,156	1,630,000
Project management fees	77,899	–	–	–	77,899	–
Others	444,034	326,241	52,359	4	496,393	326,245
TOTAL REVENUES	706,974	2,641,456	8,568,762	2,273,155	9,275,736	4,914,611
Expenses						
IAS staff salaries and benefits	307,046	227,051	2,007,080	560,234	2,314,126	787,285
Legal fees	26,184	30,622	15,001	16,705	41,185	47,327
Consulting & audit fees	48,392	14,981	103,970	30,583	152,362	45,564
Office expenses	62,394	41,284	367,281	147,695	429,675	188,979
Travel expenses	89,805	17,773	696,776	75,793	786,581	93,566
Governance	100,832	48,740	1,301	2,834	102,133	51,574
Direct expenses	49,208	–	4,443,138	583,198	4,492,346	583,198
Other projects	128,423	–	–	31,346	128,423	31,346
Other expenses	52,392	–	18	–	52,410	–
Amortization of capital expenses	22,351	949	–	5,593	22,351	6,542
Currency exchange loss (gain)	(28,975)	(5,776)	65,750	(43,052)	36,775	(48,828)
TOTAL EXPENSES	858,052	375,623	7,700,315	1,410,930	8,558,367	1,786,553
GROSS SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	(151,078)	2,265,833	868,447	862,225	717,369	3,128,058
Transfer to unrestricted and designated funds						
Revolving fund	250,000	–	(250,000)	–	–	–
Conference surplus	416,942	–	(416,942)	–	–	–
Related organization	–	–	–	–	–	–
Funds transfer	–	–	–	–	–	–
Result after transfers	515,864	2,265,833	201,505	862,225	717,369	3,128,058
FUND BALANCE at 31 December 2005	2,781,697	2,265,833	1,063,730	862,225	3,845,427	3,128,058

Income and Expenditure Account (Unrestricted Funds)

for the year ended 31 December 2005 *(figures are stated in US\$)*

							UNRESTRICTED FUNDS	
Notes	IAS	IAC revolving fund	IAS conference revolving fund	IAS reserve for future conferences	Total funds 2005	Total funds 2004		
FUND BALANCE at 1 January 2005	725,833	1,000,000	-	540,000	2,265,833	-		
Revenues								
Conference income	10	-	-	-	-	2,315,215		
Membership dues	5	185,041	-	-	185,041	-		
Sponsors		-	-	-	-	-		
Project management fees		77,899	-	-	77,899	-		
Others	11	444,034	-	-	444,034	326,241		
TOTAL REVENUES		706,974	-	-	706,974	2,641,456		
Expenses								
IAS staff salaries and benefits		307,046	-	-	307,046	227,051		
Legal fees		26,184	-	-	26,184	30,622		
Consulting & audit fees		48,392	-	-	48,392	14,981		
Office expenses		62,394	-	-	62,394	41,284		
Travel expenses		89,805	-	-	89,805	17,773		
Governance		100,832	-	-	100,832	48,740		
Direct expenses		49,208	-	-	49,208	-		
Other projects		128,423	-	-	128,423	-		
Other expenses		52,392	-	-	52,392	-		
Amortization of capital expenses		22,351	-	-	22,351	949		
Currency exchange loss (gain)		(28,975)	-	-	(28,975)	(5,776)		
TOTAL EXPENSES		858,052	-	-	858,052	375,623		
GROSS SURPLUS (DEFICIT)		(151,078)	-	-	(151,078)	2,265,833		
Transfer to unrestricted and designated funds								
Revolving fund	8	-	-	250,000	-	250,000	-	
Conference surplus		416,942	-	-	-	416,942	-	
Related organization		-	-	-	-	-	-	
Funds transfer		-	-	-	-	-	-	
Result after transfers	9	265,864	-	250,000	-	515,864	2,265,833	
FUND BALANCE at 31 December 2005		991,697	1,000,000	250,000	540,000	2,781,697	2,265,833	

Income and Expenditure Account (Restricted Funds)

for the year ended 31 December 2005 (figures are stated in US\$)

	CONFERENCES					
	Leadership	Scholarship	Rio 2005	Toronto 2006	Sydney 2007	Mexico 2008
FUND BALANCE at 1 January 2005	503,334	135,500	796,356	(677,871)	-	-
Revenues						
Conferences income	-	-	2,381,702	20,545	-	-
Membership dues	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sponsors	33,000	-	1,384,347	3,767,633	-	-
Project management fees	-	-	-	-	-	-
Others	-	-	40	135	-	-
TOTAL REVENUES	33,000	-	3,766,089	3,788,313	-	-
Expenses						
IAS staff salaries and benefits	-	-	563,279	1,316,643	63,579	63,579
Legal fees	-	-	2,260	11,892	424	424
Consulting & audit fees	932	-	39,853	57,279	3,875	2,031
Office expenses	-	-	88,888	260,993	8,700	8,700
Travel expenses	-	-	414,455	241,171	8,110	11,992
Governance	-	-	1,301	-	-	-
Direct expenses	-	-	2,705,731	1,041,439	6,423	1,733
Other projects	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Amortization of capital expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Currency exchange loss (gain)	-	-	79,736	(13,986)	-	-
TOTAL EXPENSES	932	-	3,895,503	2,915,431	91,111	88,460
GROSS SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	32,068	-	(129,414)	872,882	(91,111)	(88,460)
Transfer to unrestricted and designated funds						
Revolving fund	-	-	(250,000)	-	-	-
Conference surplus	-	-	(416,942)	-	-	-
Related organization	-	-	-	-	-	-
Funds transfer	(150,000)	(135,000)	-	285,500	-	-
Result after transfers	(117,932)	(135,500)	(796,356)	1,158,382	(91,111)	(88,460)
FUND BALANCE at 31 December 2005	385,402	-	-	480,511	(91,111)	(88,460)

						RESTRICTED FUNDS	
INITIATIVES		REGIONAL DEVELOPMENT			TOTAL	TOTAL	
ILF	E-Journal	Tenofovir	ICASA/SAA	EECAAC	2005	2004	
104,906	-	-	-	-	862,225	-	
-	-	-	-	-	2,402,247	643,151	
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
70,000	31,250	81,469	696,179	50,278	6,114,156	1,630,000	
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
-	52,184	-	-	-	52,359	4	
70,000	83,434	81,469	696,179	50,278	8,568,762	2,273,155	
-	-	-	-	-	2,007,080	560,234	
-	-	-	-	-	15,001	16,705	
-	-	-	-	-	103,970	30,583	
-	-	-	-	-	367,281	147,695	
7,804	-	-	4,725	8,519	696,776	75,793	
-	-	-	-	-	1,301	2,834	
74,421	95,921	80,096	411,636	25,738	4,443,138	583,198	
-	-	-	-	-	-	31,346	
-	-	-	18	-	18	-	
-	-	-	-	-	-	5,593	
-	-	-	-	-	65,750	(43,052)	
82,225	95,921	80,096	416,379	34,257	7,700,315	1,410,930	
(12,225)	(12,487)	1,373	279,800	16,021	868,447	862,225	
-	-	-	-	-	(250,000)	-	
-	-	-	-	-	(416,942)	-	
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
(12,225)	(12,487)	1,373	279,800	16,021	201,505	862,225	
92,681	(12,487)	1,373	279,800	16,021	1,063,730	862,225	

Notes to the Financial Statements

for the year ended 31 December 2005

1. Organisation

International AIDS Society (the Society) was founded in 1988 and transferred from Stockholm, Sweden to Geneva Switzerland in June 2004.

With its headquarters in Geneva, and twenty-five staff members, the Society is recognized under Swiss law as an international, non-governmental, non-profit organization. The Society is exempt from Swiss corporate taxation.

2. Accounting policies

The significant accounting policies are set out below.

a) Basis of preparation and Statement of Compliance: The financial statements of the Society have been prepared on a basis consistent with its statutes and that complies with Swiss law and the accounting regulations of the Society. The Society's accounting policies and the format used for the presentation of its financial statements are designed to present accurately the conferences, programmes, and other activities of the Society.

The financial statements are presented in US Dollars (rounded to the nearest dollar), as the majority of the Society's activities are conducted in this currency.

b) Recognition of income and expenditure: Conference income and sponsorship is recognized when due.

Membership income is recognized in the period to which it relates. Membership income for future periods, which is received in advance, is deferred in the balance sheet.

Payments to third parties are recognized when the commitment to pay has been made before the end of the year and the payment relates to the current year, and when there is either a legal or a constructive obligation to pay.

c) Foreign currency: Transactions in currencies other than US Dollars are converted into US Dollars at rates that approximate the actual rates at the transaction date. Realized and unrealized exchange differences are reported in the income and expenditure account.

d) Equipment: Purchases of equipment are capitalized and then depreciated on a straight-line basis over 3 years.

	2005	2004
3. Accounts receivable	US\$ 443,612	1,489,774
Bangkok conference: Various sponsors	75,783	1,382,505
Rio conference: Various sponsors	59,000	
Registrations & commissions	92,448	
IAS (LTD) Sweden	31,291	
Other: Related organization	122,512	44,619
Other	62,580	62,650
4. Cash and cash equivalents	US\$ 3,577,429	2,121,127
Current cash	20,819	2,683
Bank accounts: current accounts	736,610	1,118,445
deposits	2,820,000	1,000,000

	2005	2004
5. Deferred income	US\$ 229,852	287,860
Current deferred income includes ILF sponsorship money received in advance (US\$ 100,000) and membership income (US\$ 129,852) received for the next years.		
Received in 2004	US\$ 252,860	319,392
Received in 2005	62,093	
Deferred to future periods	129,852	252,860
Recognized as revenue in 2005	185,101	66,532
6. Accounts payable	US\$ 988,300	664,822
Swiss VAT	20,482	
Co-organizers conferences	273,200	
Prof. conference organizer KIT	71,943	
Other	76,554	196,149
Accrued expenses	546,121	468,673

7. Restricted funds

All figures are in relation to funds received and reserved for specific programmes or projects. Concerning the "Sydney and Mexico Conference and E-JIAS", the negative amount of respectively US\$ 91,111, US\$ 88,460 and US\$ 12,487 reflects expenditures that have yet to be covered by the income from the conferences and from the sponsors for E-JIAS.

8. IAS Conference Revolving Fund US\$ 250,000

In accordance with the distribution policy regarding surplus/deficit at 3rd IAS Conference on HIV Pathogenesis and Treatment, the IAS Governing Council has decided to secure the future in the event of a cancelled or postponed conference or one with a reduced number of paid registrations. From IAS 2005 Conference Rio, we have registered a loss guarantee to the Revolving Fund of US\$ 250,000.

9. General reserve US\$ 991,697

This General Reserve represents an increase of US\$ 265,864 in unrestricted operating funds for the year 2005, represented by a net surplus of US\$ 416,942 from IAS 2005 Conference Rio less the deficit of IAS core activities for 2005 US\$ 151,078.

10. Revenues: Expenses IAS 2005 Conference Rio

The figures of income (US\$ 2,361,281 and 1,359,347) and expenses (US\$ 2,660,270) represents the total movement of cash during this year 2005. All details for the preceding year are consolidated under the fund balance at January 1st, 2005 (US\$ 796,356).

	2005
11. Revenues: IAS others	US\$ 444,034
Interest on deposits and current bank accounts	74,349
IAS 2003 Conference Paris: VAT France	270,220
ANRS Prize	93,550
Other	5,915

Report of the auditors to the Governing Council of the International AIDS Society, Geneva

We have audited the accompanying final statement of income and expenditure of the third IAS Conference in Rio de Janeiro, 24-27 July 2005. This statement is the responsibility of the Governing Council. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on this statement based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the statement is free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the statement. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the statement. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the final statement of income and expenditure presents fairly, in all material respects, the activities of the International AIDS Society in relation with the third IAS Conference in Rio de Janeiro and is in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 2 to the International AIDS Society's financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2005.

KPMG Fides Peat



William D. Laneville
Auditor in charge



Pierre Henri Pingeon
Geneva, 28 April 2006

3rd IAS Conference on HIV Pathogenesis and Treatment: Rio de Janeiro, 24-25 July 2005

Final Statement of Income and Expenditures

(figures are stated in US\$)

	Notes	UPDATED BUDGET	ACTUAL
INCOME			
Sponsorship	2	2,931,000	2,852,573
Exhibition		100,000	174,400
Registration fees	3	1,307,000	2,101,023
Other revenues	4	150,000	133,093
TOTAL REVENUES		4,488,000	5,261,089
EXPENDITURES			
Logistics		1,430,750	1,861,707
Exhibition		64,500	51,257
Scholarships		593,335	439,482
Program		308,900	154,263
Local Host and Community	5	122,000	136,760
Logistics and conference secretariat	6	460,000	564,552
IT		258,400	200,291
Communications		151,500	187,885
Monitoring and evaluation		25,000	25,260
Marketing		139,000	142,079
Revolving fund	7	250,000	250,000
Governance		221,000	211,473
Audit		20,000	20,000
Various financial costs	8	162,000	215,306
Start-up cost	9	285,000	279,597
TOTAL EXPENDITURES		4,491,385	4,739,911
Net surplus before distribution to local hosts		(3,385)	521,178
Distribution to local hosts (20% of surplus)	10	–	(104,236)
Final net surplus for IAS		–	416,942

Explanatory notes to the Final Statement of Income and Expenditure

3rd IAS Conference on HIV Pathogenesis and Treatment: Rio de Janeiro, 24-25 July 2005

1. Basis of preparation

The statement of income and expenditure has been prepared in conformity with the accounting policies set out in the notes to the annual financial statements of the International AIDS Society in Geneva based on the actual information available as of 31 March 2006.

The “updated budget” figures reflect the last budget accepted by the conference organizing committee on 31 March 2005.

2. Sponsorship

Sponsorship includes all sponsors and donors. The largest are:

Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
Social + Scientific System Inc.
Abbott Laboratories
Boehringer-Tingelheim
Bristol-Meyer Squibb Co.
GlaxoSmithKline
Hoffmann-La Roche
Pfizer

A full list can be obtained from the conference secretariat.

3. Registration fees

The income from fees is based on the total number of registrations of 5,563 (Paris Conference in 2003: 5,720 registrations)

Fully paying registration:

OECD countries delegates	2,245	
Non-OECD countries delegates	<u>1,825</u>	4,070
Students		303
Accompanying persons and children		162
Exhibitors		67
Free registration		961

(including scholarship recipients, media and staff)

4. Other revenues

Other revenue are mainly contributions from satellite fees from WHO, UNICEF, American Foundation for AIDS Research and a commission from the Rio hotels.

5. Local host and community

These costs relate to the opening/closing ceremonies and the welcome reception.

6. Logistics and conference secretariat

The actual figures are higher than the budgeted amount due to an increase of the following expenses linked to a larger than budgeted amount of participants:

Office rent
Telecommunications
Insurances, office supplies and maintenance
Conference bags, water, badges, etc.

7. Revolving fund

US\$ 250,000 have been allocated to the Revolving Fund for future IAS Pathogenesis, Treatment and Prevention Conferences.

8. Various financial costs

The various financial costs are made of:

Foreign exchange losses	US\$	57,000
VAT and taxes		13,000
Allowable indirect costs		69,000
Bank fees and credit card costs		40,000
Voluntary delegate contribution to the organizers		37,000

9. Start up costs

These costs include all expenses associated with initial negotiations and pre-planning meetings with the local host and co-organizers, initial promotion and marketing expenses, all travel and other expenses incurred to the first official Conference Organizing Committee meeting, where the first budget was accepted.

10. Distribution to local hosts

10% of the surplus is paid to *Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro* and 10% is paid to *Sociedade Brasileira de Infectologia*.

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