

Meeting: 72nd IFFTI Executive Committee Meeting (Online)
Time : 10 AM GMT
Date : 2nd September 2026 | Wednesday |
Meeting Platform: MS Teams
Meeting Organiser: IFFTI Secretariat

Attendance :

Chair IFFTI: Prof.Robyn Healy (<i>RMIT University, Australia</i>)	
1.	Prof. Liz Barnes, Deputy Chair, IFFTI and Deputy Chair, Membership Sub-Committee (<i>Manchester Metropolitan University, UK</i>)
2.	Prof. Margo Barton, Chair, Membership Sub-Committee (<i>Otago Polytechnic, New Zealand</i>)
3.	Prof.David Zajtmann, Chair, Research Sub-Committee (<i>Institut Français De La Mode France</i>)
4.	Prof.Jose Teunissen, Chair, Education Initiative Sub-Committee (<i>Amsterdam Fashion Institute, The Netherlands</i>)
5.	John Lau, Deputy Chair, Education Initiative Sub-Committee (<i>London College of Fashion, UK</i>)
6.	Aditi Srivastava, Chair, Finance Sub-Committee (<i>Pearl Academy, India</i>)
7.	Dr Lisa Chapman, Deputy Chair, Finance Sub-Committee (<i>North Caroline State University, USA</i>)
8.	Prof. Dr Dennis Jie Sun, Member (<i>Donghua University, P.R. China</i>)
9.	Prof. Norio Nakanishi, Member (<i>Bunka Gakuen University, Japan</i>)
10.	Dr Vanessa Nichol-Peters, Member (<i>Fashion Institute of Technology, USA</i>)
11.	Prof. Gargi Bhaduri, Member (<i>Kent State University, USA</i>)
12.	Prof. Carolyn Hardaker, Member (<i>De Montfort University, UK</i>)
13.	Laura Washington, Member (<i>FDS TAFE Australia</i>)
14.	Dr. Circe Henestrosa, Co-opted Member (<i>LASALLE College of the Arts, Singapore</i>)
15.	Prof. Dr Noopur Anand, Member (<i>National Institute of Fashion Technology India</i>)
16.	Prof. Tao Hui, Member (<i>Wuhan Textile University, P. R. China</i>)
IFFTI Secretariat: Surbhi Nijhawan (<i>General Manager</i>)	
Apologies:	

1. Chair's Report

Prof Robyn Healy

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- a) Welcome
 - b) Welcoming of New Members -
 - National Institute of Fashion Technology India
 - Wuhan Textile University, P. R. China
 - c) Governance Update: Terms of Reference for Chair and Deputy Chair Appointments
 - d) IFFTI Chair Election Outcome.
 - e) Ezinma Mbeledogu (UCA): Resolution already shared with the EC; refund completed, and an invitation extended to present at the IFFTI Europe workshop.
 - f) Wuhan shared an invitation to host an EC meeting at their Campus.
 - g) New Chair Appointment:
 - Research Sub-Committee
 - Membership Sub-Committee
 - Education Initiative Sub-Committee
 - h) To create a WhatsApp group for EC Members to facilitate timely responses on matters requiring prompt attention.

2. IFFTI Deputy Chair Remarks

Prof.Liz Barnes

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- a) IFFTI Quarterly Newsletter- Launched in July 2026
 - b) IFFTI 2026 Conference Feedback (RMIT University, Vietnam)

3. IFFTI 2027 Conference

Antonio M. Grioli
Prof.Shalini Gupta

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- a) Status Update on IFFTI 2027

4. Membership Sub-Committee

Prof Margo Barton

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- a) KNUST, Ghana – Request for an Extension of One Additional Year as an Outreach Member
 - b) IMS DIA, India – Membership Status- Suspension due to No Response and Pending Subscription for 2025 & 2026
 - c) Ecole Duperré Paris – Removal of Logo; Email Communication Sent
 - d) Status of Membership Subscriptions
Received: 48
Pending: 2
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5. Research Sub-Committee.

Prof David Zajtmann

- a) Developmental Session 1– Planned for 23rd September,2026
- b) Europe Regional Workshop 2026
ISEM, Spain - 20th November 2026

6. Update from the Education & Research Committee on the IFFTI Exchange Initiative.

Prof David Zajtmann
Prof José Teunissen

a) IFFTI Exchange

- Initiative 2026 – Results Timeline 1 (2026)
- b) Proposal to Set a Page Limit for Reports Submitted under the IFFTI Exchange Initiative
 - c) IFFTI India Chapter Roundtable
 - UID, India - 11th September 2026

7. Education Initiative Sub-Committee

Prof Jose Teunissen

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- a) Developmental Session 2 - proposed date 7th October 2026
 - b) Update on IAF
 - c) Online panel talk

8. Finance Sub-Committee

Ms Aditi Srivastava

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- a) Update on Post-Conference Payments
 - 1) IFFTI 2027 Conference - Advance hosting Fee to Pearl Academy, India
 - 2) IFFTI 2026 Conference - Balance Hosting Fee to RMIT University, Vietnam
 - 3) IFFTI Initiative Awards - 5
 - 4) IFFTI Exchange Initiative Awards - 2
 - 5) Allowance to IFFTI Chair
 - 6) Travel Grant to Chair Research Sub-Committee
 - b) Fixed Deposit (FD) Update
 - c) Payment made to Eznima (Refund of registration fee for IFFTI Conference 2026)

9. Any Other Business, Additional Points, if any
