## Sällfkapet för 1700-tals-ftudier

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## **Annual Report for 2022**

The board, as of the 2022 annual meeting, consisted of Jonas Nordin (chairman), Brita Planck (vice chairman), Annika Windahl Pontén (treasurer), Linn Holmberg (secretary), Johannes Ljungberg (yearbook editor), Christopher Landstedt (web editor), and board members Tim Berndtsson, Måns Jansson, and Vera Sundin. This board remained unchanged from the previous year. The auditors were Kenneth Nyberg and Anna Albrektson, with Krister Östlund and Per Cullhed serving as alternate auditors. The regular nomination committee consisted of My Hellsing and Peter Sjökvist, with Joachim Östlund as the alternate. Annika Windahl Pontén served as the Swedish delegate in the ISECS Executive Committee.

During the 2022 operational year, the board held six recorded meetings on 14 January, 24 February, 22 April, 29 August, 29 September, and 7 November.

The annual meeting was held on 23 May in the journal reading room of Uppsala University Library. Following the annual meeting, Johan Sjöberg and Sebastian Cöllen gave a lecture on the infrastructure project 'By Gustav's Hand: Digitalization, Digital Enrichment, and Dissemination of King Gustav III's Archive.'

Throughout 2022, the Society had 58 members, including 4 honorary members. This was 11 more members than in 2021. Additionally, there were 5 libraries and other organizations, the same number as the previous year. The Society's activities primarily consisted of publishing the annual journal *1700-tal* and organizing interdisciplinary seminars. The Society also provided information about its own activities and other news related to eighteenth-century research through its website (<u>http://www.1700-tal.se</u>), social media, and member communications. Eight electronic newsletters with information about research projects, conferences, seminars, new books, etcetera, were distributed to the members in 2022.

The 2022 volume, number 19, of *1700-tal* was edited by Johannes Ljungberg (chief editor) and Astrid Wendel-Hansen (review editor), along with country editors from Denmark, Finland, Iceland, and Norway. The volume, consisting of 195 pages, included four peer-reviewed articles, a peer-reviewed essay, four debate articles, two dissertation reviews, and twelve other reviews.

The annual received publishing support from The Nordic Board for Periodicals in the Humanities and Social Sciences (NOP-HS), a form of support that will be discontinued at the end of 2022. This poses financial challenges for the editorial team and the Society, requiring a solution to ensure the continued existence of the annual.

During the year, an agreement was made with Uppsala University Library to transfer the Society's older documents as an archival donation to the library. Some documents have already been transferred, and additional documents will be gradually added to the collection.

During the fall, a recruitment campaign was launched to attract new members. It has yielded some results, but efforts will continue in the coming years.

From 3<sup>rd</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> August 2022, the Society hosted the annual executive committee meeting of ISECS. The meeting took place in Lund and brought together around 35 delegates from four continents. The first day focused on executive committee matters, including planning for the major eighteenth-century conference in Rome 3–7 July 2023. The committee also adopted a statement in support of researchers in war-torn Ukraine. The second day featured a full-day conference on the theme 'Media and Mediation in the Eighteenth Century' with eight presentations. The third and final day included an excursion to Copenhagen, visiting Rosenborg and making a historical city tour. Seven of the conference presentations will be published in a separate volume scheduled for release in the summer of 2023.

The Society planned to collaborate with its Finnish sister society to hold a joint research front where new PhD's present their theses. Due to difficulties in finding a suitable day, it was postponed to after the turn of the year and took place on 3 February 2023. The Society is active on Twitter with the account @1700-tal and on Facebook at <a href="http://facebook.com/1700tal">http://facebook.com/1700tal</a>. The yearbook *1700-tal* has an Instagram account at <a href="https://www.instagram.com/1700tal/">https://www.instagram.com/1700tal/</a>.

Stockholm, 19 May 2023,

On behalf of the Board,

*Jonas Nordin* Chairman