

## **SAS VP for inter-society relations**

### ***Annual report 2017***

In 2017 the SAS was a sponsor of the UK archaeological sciences conference. As part of this Adrian Burke and Andrew Zipkin developed a series of guidelines for how the SAS sponsors conferences and what we wish to receive in return (visibility, logos, etc.). These guidelines should be used from now on when the SAS enters into a collaboration with other conferences or societies.

The SAS continued to negotiate a new relationship with the ISA in 2017. This was handled directly by the executive of the SAS (president, past president, members of the ISA standing committee that are also in the SAS). A memorandum of understanding (MOU) was created and accepted by the executive of the SAS and will be ratified at the upcoming ISA meeting in Merida, Mexico.

Interactions with the SAA were also handled directly by the president and the secretary of the SAS. A session was organized at the SAA by the past secretary and the current secretary to highlight the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the SAS. The SAS president should be invited to the reception/meeting that is held by the SAA for all affiliated societies. I am not sure who represented the SAS at this reception.

The GMPCA archaeological sciences conference (<https://gmpca.fr/>) will take place in Montreal in 2019. Adrian Burke is the organizer and will propose to the SAS to be a co-sponsor of the conference. This is the largest archaeological sciences conference in Europe (300-400 participants) and is coming to North America for the first time.