



The chairs/board of ICASSI realize, as many of you do, we are living in a time in which we see many people experiencing severe violence in the countries and places they are living in. A time in which people die and suffer from terror attacks and war but also from discriminatory behavior.

We deeply regret the use of violence at any place and the deep emotional effect it has on people. It shows the differences between nationalities, age groups, genders, religions, social classes, races, and any other distinctions by which humans believe themselves to be divided. It is for sure not in the spirit of social interest, cooperation, and equality.

The summer school and all ICASSI functions contain Social Interest as dominant, which means there are not hateful biases expressed toward any identified group or its members.

That is the reason why at the summer school each participant is expected to demonstrate and promote a climate of mutual respect, cooperation, and consideration in interpersonal relationships.

What counts during the summer school hopefully will also count the other 50 weeks of a year:

stimulating in a respectful way efforts to establish a world of peace and cooperation.

Because hateful statements and actions are not allowed within the activities or communications of participants in terms of group biases, all participants rightfully can expect to feel respected and safe at all ICASSI functions. At each summer school we have the policy that appropriate action will be taken if the behavior of a participant negatively affects the personal relationships. If any discriminatory statement on our social media channels is brought to our attention we will also take appropriate measures.

With lots of sympathy,

Chairs and board of ICASSI