

IAAPA Board Update: Key Outcomes from our July 2026 Meeting

Dear IAAPA Members,

Late July, the IAAPA Global Board of Directors met virtually for its summer board meeting, bridging the period between the in-person meetings held in the spring and the upcoming meeting at IAAPA Expo Europe in London this September.

In addition to regular updates on IAAPA's business, financial performance, and current initiatives, the Board focused on two key topics.

Board Chair Luciana Periales has been leading an initiative to further strengthen the effectiveness of the IAAPA Global Board. Working closely with the IAAPA Officers (First Vice Chair, Second Vice Chair, Immediate Past Chair, and Treasurer), she has developed a framework to enhance Board governance and effectiveness. During a generative discussion, the Board reviewed these proposals and considered feedback from the Chairmen's Council regarding its future role in supporting the association. Implementation of these improvements has already begun and will continue through 2027.

The Board also approved an amendment to expand the IAAPA Global Safety and Security Committee from 11 to 13 members. The change reflects the addition of the MENA region, preserves balanced regional representation, and provides greater flexibility to appoint subject matter experts as IAAPA continues to grow globally.

In addition, the Board discussed several other strategic matters that are still under development. More information on these topics will be shared with members once they are ready for public communication. Every initiative being evaluated is guided by a single objective, ensuring IAAPA continues to grow, strengthen our performance, and better represent the evolving needs of the global membership.

The next meeting of the IAAPA Global Board of Directors will take place on September 19–20 in London, United Kingdom, in conjunction with IAAPA Expo Europe.

Thank you for your continued support and engagement.

We are all IAAPA,



Luciana Periales
Chairman of the Board



Jakob Wahl
President & CEO