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Professor Nilsson joined the AMSE Executive Committee as Auditor in 2004, and was elected as an ordinary member of the committee in 2008.