

**Seventeenth meeting of the IAOA Executive Council (EC)  
Public Report (14 April 2010)**

Attendees:

- Nicola Guarino (chair)
- Paul Buitelaar
- Antony Galton
- Michael Gruninger
- Richiro Mizoguchi
- Mark Musen
- Leo Obrst
- Laure Vieu
- Peter Yim

The IAOA EC decided to distribute a message to invite members of IAOA and related communities to endorse the 2010 Ontology Summit Communiqué.

The IAOA EC looked at the formal aspects of the coming elections, ballots and Assembly. According to the Statute, it has been decided that the quorum for the validity of the election, ballots and Assembly is reached if the sum of the IAOA members that either vote, or send a confirmation after the beginning of the Assembly or send it after the announcement of the Assembly schedule is equal or bigger than the required quorum.

Following the Statute, election, ballots and Assembly are valid if the quorum is 50%+1 of the number of IAOA members at the moment the Assembly starts.

Regarding Statute modifications, the quorum is 75% of the number of IAOA members at the moment the Assembly starts.

A note about the EC elections, ballots and Assembly will be added to the IAOA webpage in agreement with the Statute requirements and to help spread the news about these important coming events.

The IAOA EC discussed how to facilitate change in the EC while trying to maintain some continuity. Continuity is important in general and especially at this time since the IAOA association is still in the phase of defining its organization and major activities. At the same time, it is beneficial for the EC to have new members that can bring new ideas, attract the

attention of other communities to IAOA and take charge of existing or new activities. The President will distribute a message to the IAOA member mailing list to nominate the members of the transitional IAOA EC who plans to accept candidacy at this coming election.

The ballots that IAOA members will be asked to vote upon are essentially on three topics:

- EC members hold position for 2 years
- Time at which the new elected EC takes position
- Institution of the Advisory Council/Board.

The IAOA EC discussed briefly the status of the FOIS budget. A message will be distributed to invite IAOA members to physically participate to both the IAOA Assembly and the FOIS conference.

(End of the Report)