

*Forty-eight meeting of the IAOA Executive Council (EC)
Virtual Meeting of 5 Oct 2011*

Attendees:

- Nicola Guarino (chair)
- John Bateman
- Stefano Borgo
- Riichiro Mizoguchi
- Leo Obrst
- Peter Yim
- Laure Vieu

The EC was informed by the Education Committee regarding the organization of the IAOA Summer School in 2012. The Committee has proposed two locations for the Summer School: Graz (Austria) and Trento (Italy). The period is still under consideration: either early in the summer or just before FOIS.

Differently from the Summer Institute (organized in July this year), the Summer School will be organized as a series of courses and tutorials.

The EC discussed how to organize the infrastructure to support the writing of an ontology textbook. To be consistent with the IAOA Open IPR Policy, as included in the new proposed version of the IAOA Statute, the EC discussed and confirmed that the material will be collaboratively developed under an open license. The discussion will be reported to the Education Committee, and we will seek the Committee's recommendation on the choice of license.

The EC has been informed that the InfoTerm agreement is now signed by the two parties and will be put online.

The Standardization Coordination Committee is ready. IAOA members can contact John Bateman and Michael Gruninger for issues related to standards.

The Infrastructure Committee reported that most of the system to support SIG activities, blog space, wikis and so on, is now in place. The President will send a message to the IAOA members to present the new available features. We are planning to organize a couple of virtual sessions to familiarize members with the operations, and to help kick-off activities in the committees and SIGs on this virtual infrastructure. All members are welcome to test and use the system. All IAOA members will have full access to the virtual Committee and SIG workspaces.

The EC has approved a new version of the IAOA Statute. This version of the Statute is a revision initiated with the writing of the IAOA Bylaws and is needed to crosschecking content and consistency. Some content previously in the Statute has been dropped and will be included in the Bylaws. The President will distribute to the IAOA members the new version of the Statute for feedbacks. The finalized version will be voted during the IAOA Assembly in July 2012.

(End of Report)