Ninety-first meeting of the IAOA Executive Council (EC)
Virtual Meeting of 14 Nov 2013

Attendees:
- John Bateman   (chair)
- Marion Haemmerli (designated EC member)
- Janna Hastings   (designated EC member)
- Oliver Kutz
- Frank Loebe
- Fabian Neuhaus
- Laure Vieu

The discussion about relocating the IAOA to another country was continued. During the meeting Switzerland emerged as an option with an interesting balance in terms of regulations, tax issues (VAT) and accounting. A translation of the Bylaws might be needed depending on the canton. Other options, e.g. Canada, Germany, and the U.S., have also been considered, but have shown obstacles such as language or financial issues. The EC decided to investigate the modalities in Switzerland further. A possible time for an official membership decision about moving the Association could be spring 2014 when there will be the vote on the IAOA budget.

In order to simplify the annual membership renewal process, the EC considers offering automatic yearly renewal as an option at the time of registration. The treasurer will verify the technical and financial aspects. This investigation is to be conducted and completed in parallel to IAOA's possible relocation.

Accordingly, the option of default renewal is not applicable for the official renewal phase in Dec 2013 and Jan 2014, for membership in 2014. This approaching renewal phase is currently being prepared at the IAOA website, including the novel option of institutional membership as decided in EC meetings n.85 on Aug 22 [1] and n.86 on Sep 05 [2].

Two candidates have already agreed to co-chair the IAOA Education Committee. The EC is considering whether to include another person due to the spectrum of activities in this committee.

The organizers of the first Design Semantics SIG event, to be held in 2014, are preparing a complete budget for the next EC meeting.

The FOIS organizers have identified a candidate as third keynote speaker. The EC agreed with the choice. There was further an update on an inquiry for co-located workshops.

References:
[1] public report of meeting n.85, Aug 22, 2013
   http://ontolog.cim3.net/forum/iaoa-member/2013-09/msg00002.html
[2] public report of meeting n.86, Sep 05, 2013
   http://ontolog.cim3.net/forum/iaoa-member/2013-09/msg00057.html

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