

**Ninety-seventh meeting of the IAOA Executive Council (EC)  
Virtual Meeting of 20 Feb 2014**

Attendees:

- John Bateman (Chair)
- Marion Haemmerli
- Oliver Kutz
- Frank Loebe
- Fabian Neuhaus
- Leo Obrst

Oliver Kutz provided the EC with some updates on the organization of FOIS 2014. Notably, Clarisse Sieckenius de Souza is invited as the fourth FOIS keynote speaker. The EC notices that the Interdisciplinary Summer School on Ontological Analysis as well as the Early Career Symposium at FOIS may not yet receive good attention and suggests more prominent advertizing for them.

Leo Obrst reported from the 3rd meeting of IAOA's youngest Special Interest Group "Semantic Web - Applied Ontology" (SWAO SIG). For a first SIG-initiated event, a workshop proposal is being prepared in order to be submitted to the International Semantic Web Conference (ISWC 2014) by mid of March. Members interested in joining the effort are still welcome and should contact the SIG chairs. Formally, the SIG is still in a setup process, among others discussing the involvement of interested persons. The EC acknowledges the SIG's request for a working environment as it is available for other SIGs (e.g. mailing list, file and wiki spaces). The request will be forwarded to IAOA's service provider.

The EC notes that several of the Standing and Technical Committees of IAOA require membership updates. Respective members will be contacted in the near future. A partial restructuring of the set of committees is under consideration, as well.

The Secretary summarized the state of affairs concerning the 2014 EC election and 10 Advisory Board memberships ending regularly at Dec 31, 2014. The EC agrees to arrange the scheduling of the EC election such that its results can be announced ca. one week before FOIS 2014. A ballot on three positions is currently expected. Rough scheduling and the setup of the Election Committee will proceed in due course. For maintaining the Advisory Board in about its current size, a discussion of options has started and will be continued in the next meeting.

In connection with relocating IAOA to Switzerland, a host for the Association has not yet been determined there. A number of options are further under consideration.

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