Ninety-fourth meeting of the IAOA Executive Council (EC)
Virtual Meeting of 9 Jan 2014

Attendees:
- John Bateman
- Stefano Borgo
- Michael Gruninger (Chair)
- Marion Haemmerli
- Oliver Kutz
- Frank Loebe
- Fabian Neuhaus
- Leo Obrst
- Laure Vieu (Treasurer)

The EC confirmed Michael Gruninger, John Bateman and Frank Loebe as IAOA President, Vice President and Secretary, respectively.

The Treasurer will send a message to remind people to renew, after the EC analyzed the data regarding membership renewal for 2014 so far. The President will send a message to summarize the IAOA activities in 2013 and to highlight planned activities for 2014. Moreover, a message on the death of E.J. Lowe is to be distributed to the membership.

The Treasurer reviewed the IAOA budget and the trend over the years. Counting solely revenues and expenditures in 2013, IAOA has significantly increased the funding of various events, exceeding the incoming regular membership fees (deliberately). Nevertheless and due to extant effects from FOIS 2012 and the 2012 Summer school, the budget resources remain strong and the association can fund more activities in the future. The EC confirms that particular attention is given to the flagship event FOIS and to scholarships for students.

The position of the Treasurer will be vacant soon. The EC is considering adding a new official role of "Membership Officer", separated from the Treasurer and intended to deal with issues such as membership registration/renewal and membership documentation. Duties and responsibilities of the Membership Officer will be clarified in a subsequent proposal. As for the Treasurer, it is expected that the new officer need not be an EC member and will take office based on nomination by the EC.

The FOIS organizers received several workshop proposals which are now being evaluated. The number of accepted workshops will depend on quality and available facilities. The set of invited speakers for FOIS could not yet be finalized, but this is actively being pursued.

For the potential relocation of IAOA to Switzerland, the EC needs to search for an organization that could assist in hosting IAOA, e.g., for providing a postal address.

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Secretary

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