

Track Co-Chair Selection Guidelines

These guidelines establish the selection and responsibilities of the WM Track Co-Chairs.

1. Each Track has a minimum of three (3) Co-Chairs, with preferably one Co-Chair having residency outside the US.
2. Track Co-Chairs will serve a three (3) year term with staggered expiration dates for each of the three Co-Chairs positions. However, if they are replacing a vacated position, their term will convert to that of the vacated position.
3. A Track Co-Chair will be the Lead Track Co-Chair beginning in the third year of their term leading and coordinating with the other two Track Co-Chairs.
4. Each Track will vote annually on at least one of its three Co-Chair positions.
5. Track Co-Chair nominations are sought each September. Co-Chairs can be nominated by another PAC member or by self-nomination. If nominated, they must agree to serve the full three-year term before the election.
6. It is preferred that a Co-Chair nominee has more than three years active PAC member experience.
7. Track Co-Chairs are elected by December of each year, and their term begins or ends at the Thursday PAC Meeting of the next WM Conference.
8. Track Co-Chairs are elected by a secret vote of the PAC Members who have designated that Track as either their primary or secondary Track choice.
9. The voting system uses a two-round system, known as second ballot runoff voting. It is used to elect a single winner in which the voter casts a single vote for their chosen candidate. If a candidate receives less than 51% of votes, then a second round of voting occurs for the two candidates receiving the highest number of votes.
10. The PAC Chair, Deputy PAC Chair, or Technical Program Coordinator will have access to the secret electronic votes, using a voting system that can validate eligible voters. The PAC Chair casts any tie breaking vote.
11. A Track Co-Chair whose three-year term is expiring may be nominated or may self-nominate themselves for another term in either that Track or for another Track Co-Chair opening.
12. If a Co-Chair position unexpectedly becomes open, the PAC Chair with the unanimous consent of the remaining Co-Chairs of that Track, may assign a PAC Member or another Track Co-Chair to fill the open position and its term.
13. An elected Track Co-Chair may run for Track Co-Chair position within another Track without relinquishing their current Track Co-Chair position, unless elected to the new Track. If not successful to be elected for the other Track, they will continue with their existing term of office.
14. A Track Co-chair can only serve three consecutive terms in a Track (9 years). There are no restrictions on the number of nonconsecutive three-year terms a Track Co-Chair can serve in any Track.
15. Upon expiration of their three-year term in a Track (9 consecutive years), the Track Co-Chair may stand down for one year before running for another term in that same Track or may run in another Track's Co-Chair opening. This is to encourage new Co-Chairs and provide for experienced Co-Chairs to move and lead other Tracks.
16. Continuation in a Track Co-Chair position is contingent upon the fulfillment of all requirements outlined in Track Co-Chair Responsibilities listed in the PAC Policies WM01.