

ASTIN Board Meeting 8 February 2022

1. Upcoming Board elections (Bob/Bill: 15 min)

Frank mentioned again that he will step down and leave the board in June at the General Assembly, which leads to one board member to be elected in 2022. Frank encouraged all current Board volunteers to be a candidate.

No further board membership is expiring this year but in 2023 there will be 8 of them.

After the election this year the board will then decide on the chair position out of the board members.

Bill and Bob as IAA delegates will liaise with all board members about their view on the board composition and their willingness to be a candidate for the chair. This process is just to prepare the election and make the transition to a new chair as smooth as possible.

Currently the schedule as ruled out does not imply any hurry.

2. Annual Report: Proposal and planning (all: 30 min)

Chloé and her team dialed in to present their proposal for the upcoming annual report. So far, the annual report was available as pdf and print version. Especially in the situation last time without any colloquium in person it was decided to ship printed versions.

As this time there will be no change regarding these circumstances the proposal is to switch to an online version as a large scroll down webpage being more dynamic by containing videos, holograms etc, surprise and tease addressees. For example, this could enable a new experience by using a spaceship environment as a background. This could be optimized for viewing via smartphone and/or desktop.

A pdf version will be included with reduced features.

Last year we spent 14k€ excl tax for the annual report which includes 3k for shipping.

Eberhard as the treasurer mentioned that the budget for this year should be in reasonable relationship to the annual fee income of around 25k; Frank added that it should be seen in relation to the overall available money of ASTIN, which is more than twenty times that amount.

It was also raised whether this new format would be sufficiently added value for the members with respect to the final offer of around 17k€ excl tax but including the above-mentioned pdf version.

Christian outlined that ASTIN would be the first section following this approach.

Finally, the board voted with 81% for the proposal (19% against it). Therefore Brian, Sarah, Chloe and team will immediately start working on the new format.

3. Update Colloquium 2022 (Salma: 10 Min) for example dates already defined?

Beforehand Salma and Bernard sent around mails containing the required updates. The AGM is planned for June 24.

4. AOB (all: 5 min)

Bernard raised the point of promoting papers of the ASTIN Bulletin on which for timing reasons we will talk in more details in the March board meeting.