

Working Groups International Council Representatives Election Guidelines

At the Section and Working Group heads meeting in Galway on June 28, IAMCR's Working Groups will choose 10 people to represent the interests of Working Groups on the International Council. Each Working Group is managed by a "head" (the management team of 2 to 5 people responsible for that Working Group). The representatives will serve for 12 months, covering the period leading up to and including the 2027 conference. Only people who will serve on a Working Group management team during the 2026/2027 period are eligible for nomination, with each Working Group limited to one candidate. The selection will be made by the Working Group heads whose mandates cover the 2026/2027 period. If more than 10 candidates are nominated for the 10 available positions, these same management teams will vote to determine the representatives.

Statutes part to implement:

The international Council shall comprise...

- b) the Section Heads and 10 Working Groups Heads designated before each IC meeting by the Working Group Heads during the Section & Working Group Heads meeting preceding the IC meeting;*
- c) an equal number as in b) of members of IAMCR elected by electronic voting, according to the technicalities decided by IAMCR by-laws voted by the General Assembly and able to provide, as far as possible, an equitable representation of age, gender and geographical distribution;*

1. One month before each IAMCR main conference International Council meeting date, the IAMCR General Secretary will ask all Working Group (WG) heads who among them wants to be a member of the International Council (IC) for the year to come (until the start of the next yearly main IAMCR conference), preferably if they intend to take part "in presentia" at the Conference. Any member of a WG head may apply, as far as only one member per WG is candidate.
2. If 10 or less WGs designate one of them to be a member of the IC for the year to come, they will be automatically designated.
3. If more than 10 WGs designate one of them to be a member of the IC for the year to come, their candidacies will be carried to the Section and WG Heads meeting which normally takes place at the beginning of IAMCR main conferences. The WG heads representatives, present at this Section and WG Heads meeting, will vote by secret ballot, the 10 WG representatives getting the most votes being automatically elected without any condition of majority. In case of a draw, a second vote will decide according to the same rule among the 2 or more remaining candidates in question, and if draw occurs again, a decision will be made by the toss of a coin.
4. If less than 10 WG candidates have announced ahead their candidacies and are already designated according to article 2 above, any WG not already represented may apply to be a member of the IC during the Section and WG meeting before the IAMCR main conference. If the number of new candidates, totaled with the already elected WG representatives is higher than 10, an election among the new candidates only, according to article 3 above, will be organized, and the winner(s) will be added to the already designated WG representatives. If the number of new candidates, totaled with the already elected WG representatives is equal or less than 10, the new candidates will be automatically designated.
5. If a WG head member is already elected in the IC as individual member, their WG is deemed already represented and cannot apply for a second seat. As a transitory measure, already elected IC members who are also WG head member can remain in their position in the IC and WG, but these members will have to comply to article 6.10 of the statutes from the next IC election onwards.
6. Transition measure: The rules outlined in this document will fully apply from the first IC election

(organized in accordance to Article 6.9.c. of the Statutes) after the adoption of these rules. Before this IC election, the WG representatives that are selected through the rules outlined in this document will be invited to join the IC as consultative members, in a non-voting capacity.

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