IVOA Exec Meeting: FM53

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Apologies:

Glossary:

ArVO - Armenian VO	http://www.aras.am/Arvo/arvo.htm
AstroGrid - UK VO initiative	http://www.astrogrid.org
Aus-VO - Australian Virtual Observatory	http://aus-vo.org.au/
BRAVO - Brazil Virtual Observatory	http://www.lna.br/bravo/
China-VO - Chinese Virtual Observatory	http://www.china-vo.org
ChiVO – Chile Virtual Observatory	http://www.chivo.cl
CVO - Canadian Virtual Observatory	http://www1.cadc-ccda.hia-iha.nrc-cnrc.gc.ca/cvo/
Euro-VO European Virtual Observatory	http://www.euro-vo.org
F-VO - VO-France	http://www.france-vo.org
GAVO - German Astrophysical Virtual Observatory	http://www.g-vo.org
HVO - Hungarian Virtual Observatory	http://hvo.elte.hu
NOVA – Argentina Virtual Observatory	http://nova.conicet.gov.ar
VO-India - Indian Virtual Observatory	http://vo.iucaa.ernet.in/~voi/
VObs.it - The Italian Virtual Observatory	http://vobs.astro.it/
JVO - Japanese Virtual Observatory	http://jvo.nao.ac.jp/index-e.html
VAO - Virtual Astronomical Observatory (USA)	http://www.us-vo.org

RVO - Russian Virtual Observatory   http://www.inasan.rssi.ru/eng/rvo/
SA[3]– South Africa Astroinformatics Alliance   http://www.sa3.ac.za
SVO - Spanish Virtual Observatory   http://svo.cab.inta-csic.es
UKR-VO - Ukraine Virtual Observatory   http://www.ukr-vo.org/
IVOA - International Virtual Observatory Alliance   http://www.ivoa.net

Agenda:

1. Roll Call and Agenda (JE)
2. IVOA Web Page and Document Repository transfer
3. Status of VO efforts in the US post-VAO
4. Review expiring Working Group Chair/Deputy Chair positions
5. CSP Report
6. Future Interops
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8. AOB
9. Review of Action Items (JE)

A. Appendices - reports from VO projects see the wiki at:

http://wiki.ivoa.net/twiki/bin/view/IVOA/IvoaExecMeetingFM53

NEXT EXEC MEETING: Telecon, Week of Sep 18;
                        (to be arranged with doodle poll)

1.   Roll Call and Agenda

The participants introduced themselves and their names were recorded.

2.   IVOA Web Page and Document Repository transfer

BB reported on the status of migrating the Web Pages and Document repository to other
IVOA partners. Sarah Emery Bunn (SEB) is assisting with the transfer. The following was
decided at a Feb 12 Exec telecon:
        Website/Document Repository – VO-India – Sharmad Navelkar (SN)
        Wiki/Mail list/Domain Name – VObs.it – Marco Molinaro (MM)
        Newsletter – SAO – Gus Muench (GM)
        Backup of Website/Document Repository – China-VO – Chenzhou Cui

The schedule driver is the VAO closeout review on Jul 10-11. The parties agreed to make
a best effort to complete the transfer by Jun 06 providing a margin to the closeout. The
exception is the Backup; it is recommend that VO China contact VO India and VObs.it
after the transfer is complete to organize backup procedures.

BB reported considerable progress has been made. The Website has been successfully
migrated to VO-India and testing is in progress. A script for uploading documents has
been deployed and SEB & SN are currently performing tests. Document Coordinator
instructions have been prepared and are undergoing review.

The Wiki content has been transferred. The two domains (ivoa.net, ivoa.info) have been transferred to VObs.it along with authoritative name servers. Transfer of services is planned next.

SEB has been working with GM to assemble and publish the Spring IVOA Newsletter. Issue 012 was published May 15, 2014. The newsletter handover is completed.

Action FMS53-1 – BB coordinate a technical note on transfer of the components of the IVOA Web Page and Document Repository

Action FMS53-2 – DS re-solve document coordinator assignment in next week; JE re-sent duties to Exec on 5/23

3. Status of VO efforts in the US post-VAO

BH reported that the end of the VAO contract is at the end of Sep 2014. NASA will support VAO services and ongoing support of the IVOA from the NASA archive centers at STScI, HEARSARC, and IPAC. Sustaining activities are as follows: Registry – STScI; Resource Validation – HEASARC; Represent NASA at Exec – IPAC.

BH also noted that there is a proposal (worked by Pepi, Bob, Jay Gallagher) to form the USVOA as part of the AAS Working Group on Astronomical Software (WGAS). Frossie Economou is the new chair of the WGAS. Ethan Schrier will present the proposal at the AAS Council meeting in June. There is no financial support associated with any approval. If it is approved, the WGAS will name a lead and that person will represent the USVOA on the Exec. No revision to Exec rules needed.

4. Review expiring Working Group Chair/Deputy Chair positions

SG noted that the ImageDM is a critical component of SIAv2. He expressed that the ImageDM needs to be completed and requested that the Exec establish the importance of the ImageDM in the IVOA. It was also noted that the ImageDM was NOT needed for SIA v2.0 but was needed for near-term planned revisions to SIA v2.x.

AGREED: The Exec identified ImageDM as the highest priority for the DM WG.

MG asked MA if the minimum requirements of SIA v2.0 satisfy all of the use cases brought forward by the CSP. MA responded that the minimum requirements for SIA v2.0 do not satisfy all of the use cases but that it is good enough for v2.0.

SG is looking for ImageDM PR by the Fall IVOA meeting. MG added the IVOA Roadmap reflects the TCG plans. There is already a TCG action to update the Roadmap by the end of next week.

The following WG Chairs/Vice Chairs were approved.

Working Group	Chair	Vice Chair
DAL	Francois Bonneral	Marco Molinaro
DM	Jesus Salgado	Omar Laurino
GWS	Andre Schaaff	Brian Major

Apps	Pierre Fernique	Tom Donaldson
Registry	Markus Demleitner	Pierre LeSidaner
DCP	Francoise Genova	*None*

MO noted the roll of WGs was to build consensus and broker agreement on technical work.

ACTION FMS5-3: DS include a statement to the IVOA that the roles of WG is on building consensus in the Closing Remarks

5. CSP Report

MA reported on the Multi-Dimensional Data Focus Session. This year's session is follow-on with the projects that participated in Heidelberg last year. There is interest in continued engagement with these projects. The next steps to refine for multi-dimensional Images are cutouts & binning and remote computation and transfer of cubes.

MA also reported that there was an informal CSP meeting on Wed (5/21). They concluded that the CSP approach to develop multi-dimensional image science use cases and transform them to requirements worked well. MA highlighted that the other current focus area is 'Time Domain'. Rough plans were made to review priorities and develop science use cases.

6. Future Interops

Fall 2014 – Banff (after ADASS): Oct 10-12
May 2015 – Sesto/Sexten (in the Dolomites): Jun 15-19 (details in VObs.It project report)
Fall 2015 – Sydney, Australia
Spring 2016 – VO.China offered to host

7. Date of Next Exec Meeting

The date of the next Exec meeting is the week of Sept 18. A doodle poll will determine the exact date and time.

8. AOB

AOB1: FG proposed an Interest group in RDA. There was Exec support for the proposal.

AOB2: LM noted that S. Africa was interested in hosting a future Interop

AOB3: Closing Plenary will highlight request for input to an Interop feedback form to understand interest in coming to meeting; will provide input to Banff and next spring session; influence new sessions

9. Review of Action Items (JE)

ACTION FM44-3 Registry WG to summarize validation processes and the current levels of compliance
CLOSED – GG reports this action was closed in Heidelberg

ACTION FM50-3 BH to review the terms and conditions of the IVOA membership and update so that it's more suitable for the future.
CLOSED – BH on agenda to brief Exec on status of VO efforts in the US post-VAO

ACTION 52-1: BB to report on Document & Repository transition progress at Madrid Exec meeting
CLOSED – BB on agenda to brief Exec on Doc & Repository transition progress

ACTION 52-2: DS to work to find long-term coordinator by Madrid Exec meeting
CLOSED – DS worked issue prior to interop and presented results at Exec mtg

ACTION 52-3: Project Leads/WG Chairs come forward with suggestions to fill expiring working group chair/deputy chair positions
CLOSED

New:

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CLOSED – DS Closing Remarks 5/23