IVOA Exec Telecon Meeting: TM39

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Glossary:

NOVA - Argentina VO	http://nova.org.ar
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
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 Virtual Observatory	http://www.g-vo.org
HVO - Hungarian Virtual Observatory	http://hvo.elte.hu

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/
SVO - Spanish Virtual Observatory   http://svo.laeff.inta.es
IVOA - International Virtual Observatory Alliance   http://www.ivoa.net

Agenda:

1. Roll Call and Agenda (MA)
2. Minutes of FM38, Minutes of FM38S (PP)
3. Review of Actions (MA)
4. Project Reports [Significant Events Only]
5. Report of the TCG Meeting and TCG Status (CA)
6. Approval of new IVOA Recommendation(s) [Standing Item]
7. Report on the Committee on Science Priorities (DDY)
8. New IVOA members (PP)
9. Inactive IVOA members (PP)
10. Future Interops (FP, AK)
11. Date of next meeting
12. AOB
13. Review of Action Items

A. Appendices - reports from VO projects, WGs and IGs, see the wiki at:
   http://www.ivoa.net/cgi-bin/twiki/bin/view/IVOA/IvoaExecMeetingTM39

NEXT MEETING: Sunday 15 May 2011 17:00-19:00. Naples, Italy

1. Roll Call and Agenda
The participants names were collected on entering the telecon. The agenda for the meeting was **AGREED.**

2. Previous Minutes
The FM38 and FM38S minutes were **APPROVED**

3. Review of Actions
The actions were read and a number of items were discussed.

ACTION FM38S-1 PP to circulate Argentina membership email to exec.
CLOSED: Email discussion on Argentina membership was held, PP informed exec by email on Feb 14 that NOVA has been accepted as an official IVOA member.

MA confirmed NOVA should appear as NOVA - Argentina VO in the minutes

ACTION FM38S-2 PP to ask CC and FP to suggest to Massimo Ramella to organise a Education session at the Naples interop.

CLOSED: Session is currently being organised by Massimo Ramella in collaboration with Yan Xu (Microsoft Research)

ACTION FM38S-3 BH and FG to check with Alberto Accomazzi on how the process would work, in particular for the bibcode.
ONGOING

BH indicated that he obtained an agreement with Alberto Accomazzi on the approach, but that this has not gone forward yet.

ACTION FM38S-4 Document Coordinator (after ACTION FM38S-3) to submit all existing RECs.
ONGOING: depends on FM38S-3 above

ACTION FM38S-5 AK to check dates for an Interop in Pune
CLOSED: AK to report in Agenda item 10.

ACTION FM38S-6 TCG to organize POC/TCG/CSP telecon to discus interop scheduling.
ONGOING

Clarification that this is intended to be a telecon in the month before the interop to ensure that the organization of the interop sessions is sufficient. SG noted that this will be organized at the beginning of April to finalize the schedule

ACTION FM38-1: AL to provide an update on the development of the IVOA web pages.
CLOSED

AL apologized for the delay in this action, and reported that there has been a concerted effort to re-start the work on the revised web pages. There is a list of actions that have been agreed with Sarah Emery Bunn (IVOA Doc Coordinator), FP and CA. This action list is available on the wiki at http://www.ivoa.net/cgi-bin/twiki/bin/view/IVOA/RevisedWebsiteDesign

AL briefly described the design and indicated that Sarah Emery Bunn and AL plan to work on it in the following weeks. Some delegation of effort will be required. AL noted that the 'Deployers' section is the most difficult. The Deployers section is formally delegated to CA as TCG lead, but it is not expected that CA will write it all. The Architecture document is expected to provide a basis for this section. AL aims to make progress before the interop but a draft of the Deployers section is unlikely. CA called for volunteers.

New **ACTION: TM39-1** All: Volunteer/delegate effort to help create the 'Deployers' section of the revised IVOA web pages, and prepare to give comments in Naples

ACTION FM38-2 ML, SD, RP, MG, BH to arrange a splinter meeting to discuss units and utypes.
CLOSED: BH reported that the meeting was held in Nara

ACTION FM38-3 PP email exec for proposal for the next Registry WG Chair
CLOSED: Gretchen Greene is now the Registry WG chair, and Pierre Le Sidaner is vice-chair

ACTION FM38-5 TCG next meeting should discuss implementation and validation tools for data centres to takeup VO Standards.
ONGOING: in planning for Naples interop

ACTION TM35-2: FP Coordinate formation of a liaison group to represent IVOA in OGF.
ONGOING: **FP**

FP apologized for slow progress. It is difficult to get information on OGF. FP will make a final effort and report at the next meeting.

4. Project Reports

Project reports for ArVO, AstroGrid, China-VO, CVO, Euro-VO, France VO, GAVO appear on the meeting wiki page.

PP welcomed NOVA as an IVOA member. HL indicated that he was representing NOVA for Patricia Tissera at this telecon. HL introduced a few aspects of NOVA including their funding discussions with their National Research Council. HL and CA described that NOVA has already made contact with technicians in Spain (ESA) about using VO publishing methods.

It was noted that NOVA has a logo, and a web page (http://nova.org.ar)

5. Report of the TCG and TCG Status

CA reported that the TCG had a telecon meeting on 02 March ([Minutes](#)) to review the IVOA roadmap. CA reported the status of a number of standards:

VOSI - The TCG review will be finished soon and it will be sent to the exec in the next weeks.

VOEvent 2.0 - The timing of the process is tight in order for this to be presented to the exec before or in Naples. It was emphasized that exec can also do approvals via email.

SprectrumDM 1.1 and SSAP 1.1 - these are corrective updates which go through a shorter recommendation process. These are expected to be sent to the exec before the Naples interop.

Photometry DM 1.0 and SED DM 1.0 - Documents have been updated and discussed in the DM WG. TCG review is expected just after Naples and should be sent to the exec in July. These are both noted as being important in the context of SED building.

SpectrumDM 1.2 and SSAP 1.2 are being updated in parallel to the 1.1 corrective updates. The 1.2 updates include more significant changes that are needed to support the SED science priority case requirements. SpectrumDM 1.2 has been sent to the DM mailing list, hopefully SSAP will come out soon as well.

Obs DM - RFC expected to be in April

TAP Registry Extensions1.0 - a WD has been issued but implementations are needed

6. Approval of new IVOA Recommendation(s) [Standing Item]

PP noted that there are no recommendations to be approved by exec at this telecon.

7. Report on the Committee on Science Priorities (DDY)

DDY noted that the CSP report in Nara was a summary report. At that time there was some confusion as to the leadership and scheduling of events related to the CSP priority science projects at introp meetings. There is now a clearer understanding on this.

Recent updates on the CSP priority projects have been provided by Evanthia Hatziminaoglou (SED) and MA (Search by classes/lists)

MA outlined some aspects of the search by lists/classes: Implementation of TAP is a high priority but appears to be going slowly. Reg Extensions are required for describing TAP services in the registry. The recent pre-release of a TAP client in TOPCAT may be a breakthrough in order to focus all aspects of making TAP services available by Astronomers.

Sessions at the interop focussing on TAP implementations have been requested for the Naples interop (DAL, Reg, Apps)

AL indicated that there is a similar VAO TAP client in development. It is an SAO development that has been adopted/adapted by at least one or two other groups, and AL was encouraging people to follow this lead.

New **ACTION TM39-2** DDY to ask the exec to comment on the processes of the CSP

8. New IVOA members

PP reported that no further developments had occurred with respect to Ukraine.

9. Inactive IVOA Members

BH reported that Peter Quinn has confirmed that Andreas Wicenec will be the AusVO representative on the IVOA exec.

10. Future Interops

FP reported that preparations were all set for the Naples introp. The web page is up, and the conference centre is very well located in Naples. Sufficient meeting rooms have been booked, 3 rooms :Largest two seat 96 and 48 people.

Participants are encouraged to book hotels

AK confirmed the dates of Monday 17- Friday 21 October for the Pune, India interop, with TCG and exec meetings on Sunday 16 October.

ACTION TM39-3 SG to inform AK of numbers expected for TCG meeting.
ACTION TM39-4 AK to collate information on the logistics for the Pune Interop

11. Date of next meeting

PP and all confirmed next meeting on Sunday May 15, 1700 in Naples. FP indicated that transport to the exec meeting location would be required as it is not near the conference centre.

12. AOB

13. Summary of Actions

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Ongoing Actions:

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