

IVOA Exec Meeting: TM74

Tuesday, Dec 19, 2017 @ 15:00 UTC

Notes: JE

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Glossary:

NOVA – Argentina Virtual Observatory <http://nova.conicet.gov.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>
ChiVO – Chile Virtual Observatory <http://www.chivo.cl>
CVO – Canadian Virtual Observatory <http://www1.cadc-ccda.hia-ihp.nrc-cnrc.gc.ca/cvo/>

ESA-VO – European Space Agency Virtual Observatory <https://www.cosmos.esa.int/web/esdc>

Euro-VO – European Virtual Observatory <http://www.euro-vo.org>

GAVO – German Astrophysical Virtual Observatory <http://www.g-vo.org>

HVO – Hungarian Virtual Observatory <http://hvo.elte.hu>

JVO – Japanese Virtual Observatory <http://jvo.nao.ac.jp/index-e.html>

OV-France – VO-France <http://www.france-vo.org>

RVO – Russian Virtual Observatory <http://www.inasan.ru/eng/rvo/>

SA³– South Africa Astroinformatics Alliance <http://www.sa3.ac.za>

SVO – Spanish Virtual Observatory <http://svo.cab.inta-csic.es>

UkrVO – Ukraine Virtual Observatory <http://www.ukr-vo.org/>

USVOA – US Virtual Observatory Alliance <http://usvoa.cfa.harvard.edu>

VO-India – Indian Virtual Observatory <http://vo.iucaa.ernet.in/~voi/>

VObs.it – The Italian Virtual Observatory <http://vobs.astro.it/>

IVOA – International Virtual Observatory Alliance <http://www.ivoa.net>

Agenda:

1. Roll Call and Agenda
2. Minutes of [FM73](#)
3. Review of Exec [Actions](#)
4. Project Reports [Significant Events Only]
5. Approval of new IVOA Recommendation(s) [Standing Item]
6. Overall TCG status
7. Overall CSP status
8. IVOA Newsletter
9. Term Expirations in Northern Spring 2018 Meeting (see list below)
10. Update on Northern Spring 2018 - Victoria, Canada
11. Open Universe Meeting followup (NGO follow-up)
12. Future Interops
 - Northern Spring 2017 - Victoria, Canada (May28-Jun01)
 - Northern Autumn 2018 - Washington DC (Nov 10-18 - tentative)
13. AOB
14. Date of Next Exec Meeting
15. Review of Action Items

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

<http://wiki.ivoa.net/twiki/bin/view/IVOA/IvoaExecMeetingFM73>

NEXT EXEC MTG: *Telecon is March 06 @ 15:00 UTC*

1. Roll Call and Agenda

The participants' names were recorded.

2. Minutes of FM73

The FM73 minutes were accepted.

3. *Review of Actions*

Action 73-1: MA – IAU Booth organization and planning. – **WORKING**

Action 71-3: Exec – Major Data Centers look into cost sharing IAU booth. – **WORKING**

Action 71-4: Exec – TCG asking the Exec to identify a future lead for STC requirements. – **OPEN**

ACTION 69-2: Media Group/PF/MA/FG – Review/update IVOA Top Web page for content (exec member input) and addition of new media attributes (e.g., twitter, FB) by media group. – **WORKING**

ACTION 65-2: PF/MA – Review Guidelines of the IVOA. Report findings/recommendations for update to Exec. – **WORKING**

ACTION70-2: BB – Organize email list of relevant people/groups for mailing/notification of IVOA News such as the IVOA Newsletter – **WORKING**

ACTION70-3: Media group – Take first steps to organize what needs to be done with regard to Web Pages – **WORKING**

ACTION70-4: Media Group/CSP – Coordinate and report to the Exec with a proposal to address the IVOA Web Portal. – **WORKING**

4. *Project Reports [Significant Events]*

Significant events were highlighted by BB (NAVO), and FG (VO-France) AW (AusVO), and MA (Euro-VO).

BB (NAVO) noted that there will be a USVOA meeting at the upcoming AAS meeting on Monday, Jan 08 @2:00pm. There is also a NAVO workshop (**Using Python to Search NASA's Astrophysics Archives**) on Sunday Jan 07 @10:00am.

FG (France-VO) provided the following European update:

- There was a school in Madrid led by Enrique Solano
- A New version of the VO tutorial has been published
- A successful large project meeting was held in Trieste with a focus on time domain and Interferometry.
 - The European Solar Telescope (EST) (a next generation large-aperture solar telescope attended the meeting and made presentations. The project is looking to the IVOA for synergy. This is an interesting evolution and positive new ground.

Project summaries are available at the following link:

<http://wiki.ivoa.net/twiki/bin/view/IVOA/IvoaExecMeetingFM73>

5. Approval of new IVOA Recommendation(s) [Standing Items]

NONE

6. Overall TCG Status

PD noted he hadn't talked with MG recently. He said he expected a TCG telecom would be organized for Jan 2018.

7. Overall CSP Status

BM noted that the CSP had a telecom in Sept and discussed the roll of the CSP and initial ideas for a portal. The next scheduled meeting is planned for January and will be a joint CSP/Media Group meeting. The plan is to model the portal after other portals with content that makes sense for the IVOA. A goal is to have a version for Exec review in March and to have it ready for the IVOA meeting in May.

8. IVOA Newsletter

A draft was sent to the Exec for review/feedback and IVOA Newsletter #18 published on Dec 18. <http://www.ivoa.net/newsletter/018/index.html>

9. Term Expirations in Northern Spring 2018 Meeting

PF solicited input on Chair/Vice Chair positions. She asked members of the Exec to think about it and to email PF/MA with candidate suggestions.

IVOA Terms expirations in May 2018:

("no extension" means the person has already been extended and term will end; "1 year extension" means a 1 year extension is available)

- WG: Applications: Pierre Fernique - Ch (no extension), Tom Donaldson (no extension) - V Ch
- WG: Data Access: Francois Bonnarel - Ch (no extension), Marco Molinaro (no extension) - V Ch
- WG: Registry: Markus Demleitner - Ch (no extension), Theresa Dower (1 year extension) - V Ch
- WG: Data Model: Mark Cresitello-Dittmar - Ch (1 year extension), Laurent Michel (1 year extension) - V Ch
- WG: Grid & Web Services: Brian Major - Ch (1 year extension), Guiliano Taffoni (1 year extension) - V Ch
- WG: Semantics: Mireille Louys - Ch (1 year extension), Alberto Accomazzi (1 year extension) - V Ch
- IG: Data Curation & Preservation: Francoise Genova (no extension) - Ch
- IG: Operations: Tom McGlynn - Ch (1 year extension), Mark Taylor (1 year extension) - V Ch
- TCG: Matthew Graham - Ch, Patrick Dowler2 - V Ch
- Exec: Pepi Fabbiano - Ch, Mark Allen - V Ch

Action 74-1: Exec - Send input on Chair/Vice Chair positions for May to PF/MA

10. Update on Northern Spring 2018 - Victoria, Canada (May28-Jun01)

PD noted that the contract with the Inn at Laurel Point has been signed.

(<http://www.laurelpoint.com>) CDS is also doing exploratory work to hold an Education IG Workshop before or after the IVOA meeting. It would involve Graduate students. CASCA will be in Victoria – talking with Chenzhou and Henrich.

11. **Open Universe Meeting follow-up (NGO follow-up)**

PF discussed follow-up needed from the Open Universe meeting that was held in Vienna Austria, Nov 20-22. Overall the meeting has the positive potential for the IVOA to have more visibility. The IVOA needs legal status though – an NGO (non-government organization). This means someone needs to take the initiative to establish the NGO. Someone in the IVOA should take action. There is a presentation needed at the January meeting of COPOUS. Options to send slides or have an Exec member go to the meeting in Vienna and give a presentation. The contact is Rudy Albrecht. The COPUOS formal meeting is in June. The NGO needs to be established by then.

FP noted that it may be good if the NGO was registered in Italy and will take a look at it. BM noted that he thought it was a good idea and supported it.

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PF reports the COPUOS meeting dates are: Jan 29 – Feb 9

Action 74-3: FP look into NGO with Italy.

12. **Future Interops**

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- Northern Autumn 2018 – College Park, Maryland (Nov 08-10)
- Northern Spring 2019 - Paris, France

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