



# Science Input: Committee on Science Priorities Activities

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on behalf of the Committee on Science Priorities



## Committee on Science Priorities

- As of Sunday, there is an Exec Standing Committee on Science Priorities (CSP), which replaces the “ad hoc” Take-Up Committee
- The Committee includes Mark Allen, Christophe Arviset (TCG Chair), Dave De Young (Chair), Ajit Kembhavi, PP, and David Schade
- The CSP Chair will be a de facto member of the TCG (reciprocity principle)
- Term of service will be three years
- The primary objective of the Committee *is to identify research needs of the worldwide astronomy community that can benefit from VO related tools and services, and to take action within the context of the IVOA to assist in placing such tools and services into the research community*



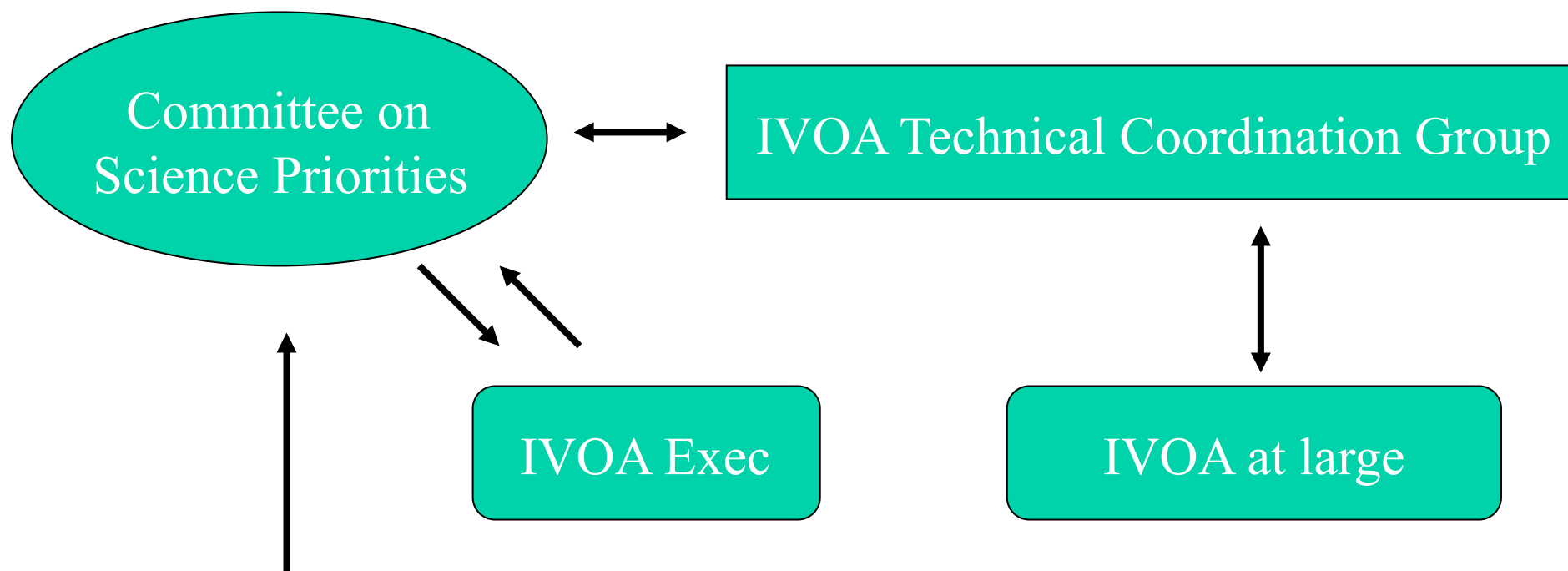
## Committee on Science Priorities: activities this week

- Meeting on Monday:
  - ✓ agreed to have Twiki page with details of science priorities
  - ✓ assigned contacts to interact with TCG on the two science projects **approved** by Exec:
    - Evanthia Hatziminaoglou (PP as CSP liaison) for SED project
    - Mark Allen for “searching for lists/class of objects”
- Open meeting on Thursday:
  - ✓ detailed discussion on process



## Science Input in the IVOA

- We now have a formal process to channel science input to the IVOA:
  - ✓ **CSP** gathers science input from a variety of sources
  - ✓ **Exec** needs to approve CSP proposals
  - ✓ **TCG** discusses them and identifies relevant IVOA standards and associated WGs
  - ✓ **CSP** identifies contact person for given project
  - ✓ Contact person works with **TCG + WG chairs** through telecons, face-to-face meetings, etc. between Interops to shepherd the project
  - ✓ Regular, specific reports are given at Interops in Application sessions
  - ✓ Contact with application developers and data providers to be maintained as well
- Maximum of 3 – 4 CSP projects at the same time



## Astronomical Community, IVOA Astronomers