

IVOA Exec, FM28 Supplementary
Trieste Interop
Wed 21 May 2008 13:00

Present: Chenzhou Cui, Fabio Pasian, Christophe Arviset, Paulo Padovani, Andy Lawrence, Francoise Genova, Ajit Kembhavi, Bob Hanisch, Enrique Solano (by telecon)

1. **Applications Newsletter idea.** Would like to have one IVOA newsletter directed to astronomy user community, not IVOA developers. Have volunteers (Mark Allen, Sarah Emery Bunn, Evanthia Hatziminaoglou, Anita Richards, Chris Miller, Jonathan Tedds). Alternate idea is a "VOPedia", focusing on on-line content (FP). Complementary. MO: Should follow Mark's original proposal and keep content on Applications, and effort confined to a small group. FG: Supports Mark's proposal, too. Necessary and urgent to communicate with the community. DDY in agreement, too. FG: Call it Issue No. 0. AK: Should be periodical, not just a website that is updated. PP: Supports the idea, too. Allow people to register to receive mail for subsequent issues. Publish to Astro-ph? Not sure this is the right venue, as it is not a scholarly publication. This will be an IVOA Newsletter with an emphasis on applications. DDY, PP, and AK agree to provide editorial oversight support.
2. **Wikipedia for VO.** Non-technical content. Discussions of end-user tools, how to use the registry, how to make queries.... AL: Great potential, but would it be used? Would it be embarrassing if no one posted anything? FP agrees to try to start it up.
3. **Discussion of WG/IG chairs and deputies.**
 - TCG: Christophe Arviset, chair; Severin Gaudet, vice chair
 - Applications WG: Tom McGlynn, chair; Mark Taylor, vice chair
 - Semantics: Sebastien Derriere, chair; TBD, vice chair
 - VOEvent: Rob Seaman, chair
 - VOTable: Francois Ochsenein, chair (to move group to maintenance state; with one-year extension of term)
 - Theory IG: Herve Wozniak, chair; Claudio Gheller, vice chair
 - Data Access Layer: Keith Noddle, chair; Jesus Salgado, vice chairExec agrees to this slate. Appointments take effect at the end of the Interop on Friday. (Exception: Mark Allen will stay on as chair of Applications until July.)
4. **Interop POC:** Severin Gaudet, Marie-Lise Dubernet, Nic Walton. CA: TCG chair or vice-chair should be part of the POC. Severin is already there, so that is fine. Add head of LOC to the POC?
5. **Format of October Interop.** DDY: Project presentations should be distributed throughout. CA: Accommodate extra ad hoc sessions without interfering with the main program. FG: Postpone project format until next year? Project reports should focus on strategy, issues, organization, not just on a shopping list of accomplishments or plans. 20-minute presentations. If we got 10-12 projects, we could do this in one hour per day for four days.

Need to post logistical information about Baltimore/Quebec travel ASAP.

6. **Next May Interop venue???** We have not been to Garching before (for Interop). Perhaps some location near Munich but not at ESO.
7. **Next Exec meeting** will be by telecon in the summer, in July.
ACTION FM28-3: DDY, poll Exec for possible dates.

Meeting adjourned: 14:30h.