

IVOA Exec Meeting: FM73

Tuesday, Oct 26, 2017 @ 14:00 local time

Notes: JE

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Updated: JE – missed an attendee(11/28)

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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 [TM72](#)
3. Review of Exec [Actions](#)
4. Project Reports [Significant Events Only]
5. Overall TCG status
6. Approval of new IVOA Recommendation(s) [Standing Item]
7. Update on Northern Spring 2018 - Victoria, Canada (May28-Jun01)
8. Terms up for expiration (May 2018) - see list below
9. Open Universe Meeting preparation
10. Future Interops
 - Northern Autumn 2018 - College Park Maryland (Nov 8-10)
 - Northern Spring 2019 - Paris, France
11. AOB
12. Date of Next Exec Meeting
13. 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 December 19 @ 15:00 UTC*

1. **Roll Call and Agenda**

The participants' names were recorded.

2. **Minutes of TM72**

The TM72 minutes were accepted.

3. **Review of Actions**

Action 71-3: Exec – Major Data Centers look into cost sharing IAU booth. **Working** – MA said additional pledges were welcome. Markus offered to discuss GAVO contribution and get back to MA.

Action 71-4: Exec – TCG asking the Exec to identify a future lead for STC requirements. **OPEN** – MA has someone in mind – will discuss with this person; also suggested to ask Arnold if he knows of someone – JE will followup.

Action 71-5: MG – Discuss member access to meeting room(s) during the ADASS and IVOA meeting. **CLOSED**

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 - (JB for Media group) Created a Facebook Page for the IVOA during Interop. Plan to create a Twitter, Weibo, and WeChat account next. Have started a discussion of what we think should be on the top IVOA page, group thinks it should be aesthetically pleasing to look at, and it should be obvious to the general astronomer how the VO helps them do science.

ACTION 65-2: PF/MA – Review Guidelines of the IVOA. Report findings/recommendations for update to Exec. – **WORKING** – Will meet at Jan AAS to further discuss.

ACTION70-2: BB – Organize email list of relevant people/groups for mailing/notification of IVOA News such as the IVOA Newsletter – **OPEN** – BB says he'll have time to work this action by end of Nov; he will target professional groups/societies.

ACTION70-3: Media group – Take first steps to organize what needs to be done with regard to Web Pages – **WORKING** – (JB for Media group) Started review of website, sharing notes with each other in media group. Plan to make a private Wordpress site to test and share changes.

ACTION70-4: Media Group/CSP – Coordinate and report to the Exec with a proposal to address the IVOA Web Portal. – **Working** – BM reported that there was a CSP telecom on Sep 12 where the Web Portal was discussed. Initial thoughts/ideas were shared and follow-up discussions are planned to take place via the email group. Will report back later on further developed ideas.

4. **Project Reports [Significant Events]**

Significant events were highlighted by FP (Vobs.It), BB (NAVO), and AW (AusVO), and MA (Euro-VO).

FP (VObs.It) noted that several projects (Vobs.It, Gavo, EuroVO) as part of Asterics had a project that described a catalog in astronomy. Marco/Markus interpreted a catalog as a registry of services.

BB (NAVO) noted that the first NAVO contract was finished and that a new contract would continue NAVO funding.

AW (Aus-VO) said there was currently no official funding for VO.

MA (EuroVO) noted that the Asterics contract was ½ way through the project. He highlighted that the gravity wave discovery uses VO in the background. For Time Domain there is increased effort along with Provenance. There is a VO school next month with Sfree partners (SKA, CTA Neutrino) participation. Use of VO will be discussed.

Project summaries are available at the following link:

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

5. Overall TCG Status

MG reported on TCG activities:

- Registry Interfaces 1.1 (with REC-level language on the **RofR** and updates for the existence of **RegTAP**) is ready for Exec review.
- VOResource 1.1 (with new features like support for DOIs and ORCIDs, mirror URLs, vocabularies, license URIs and many other little fixes) has been in RFC since May, and looks essentially ready for REC.
- VOSpace 2.1 remains in RFC. There are 3 or 4 outstanding approvals from working group chairs. I (Brian) am also working through a few registry concerns with Markus but it seems like those will come to a close soon. I hope to have this RFC end within the next few weeks.
- Others close to RFC: VODML
- Time Domain traffic has increased on the Mail list. There was a recent IVOA note on VOEvent submitted by ROE.
- PD reported that there were 5 PRs in the TCG and 1 proposed endorsed note – Most expected to finish review in the next month.

CA asked about the status of Errata. MG noted that there were a couple submitted last week. There will be an upcoming TCG telecom where they will be endorsed.

CA also noted some concern about a Timing session he heard was being coordinated by Peter Teuben on the Saturday before ADASS 2018. The Saturday session will overlap with IVOA. Further discussion/coordination is needed.

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

NONE

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

DS reported that preparations are on track for the Victoria meeting. He is expecting to sign contracts in November with the venue. JE was asked to add the Spring dates to the calendar which is done.

8. Terms up for expirations

It is noted that there is a relatively large turnover scheduled for May. The Working group, Interest group, TCG, and Exec are listed below. It is time to start thinking about new chairs/vice chairs from participating projects. Further discussion is planned in the upcoming telecoms in preparation of the May interop.

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)

Working Groups:

- Applications: Pierre Fernique - Ch (no extension), Tom Donaldson (no extension) - V Ch
- Data Access: Francois Bonnarel - Ch (no extension), Marco Molinaro (no extension) - V Ch
- Registry: Markus Demleitner - Ch (no extension), Theresa Dower (1 year extension) - V Ch
- Data Model: Mark Cresitello-Dittmar - Ch (1 year extension), Laurent Michel (1 year extension) - V Ch
- Grid & Web Services: Brian Major - Ch (1 year extension), Guiliano Taffoni (1 year extension) - V Ch
- Semantics: Mireille Louys - Ch (1 year extension), Alberto Accomazzi (1 year extension) - V Ch

Interest Groups:

- Data Curation & Preservation: Francoise Genova (no extension) - Ch
- Operations: Tom McGlynn - Ch (1 year extension), Mark Taylor (1 year extension) - V Ch

TCG: Matthew Graham – Ch (1 year extension), Patrick Dowler2 - V Ch (1 year extension)

Exec: Pepi Fabbiano - Ch, Mark Allen - V Ch

9. Open Universe Meeting preparation

The meeting is in Vienna Austria, Nov 20-22. DS, CA, PF are on the program committee. The program has been published. It was highlighted that some program committee/Exec member discussion was needed that will take place in a telecom later this week.

10. Future Interops

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

A telecom in Sept settled the IVOA dates for Northern Autumn 2018 with the sponsors and order of the 2 meetings. It will be IVOA (Nov 8-10) followed by ADASS (Nov 11-15).

11. AOB

- Reminder to contribute to the IVOA Newsletter. D Baines sent out an invitation to contribute.
- MA reminded the Exec that the IVOA was a very big meeting with a lot of local participation. He asked folks presenting to be aware of that in their sessions. MG said he'd send an email to the TCG with that point.

12. Date of Next Exec Meeting

Dec 19 @ 15:00 UTC

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New:

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

Old:

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