IUFRO MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING 22-23 October 2024, Freiburg, Germany



ACTIONS

14 November 2024

Action 1:

- *IUFRO HQ* to send a reminder to those Divisions that have not submitted their updated structure with a deadline of 17 November. An electronic Board ballot to accept these changes all-in-one will be scheduled latest by the end of November 2024;

Action 2:

- D. Kleinschmit to form a core group, including W. Chung, S. Rodriguez and an HQ representative, tasked with developing a concept for a IUFRO mentorship programme, followed by starting and testing a pilot. The invitation to join the core group could be extended to IFSA;

Action 3:

- By the time of the next MC meeting (May 2025), W. Chung and D. Hodges, in collaboration with IUFRO HQ, to prepare a proposal for formalizing the communication officer position;

Action 4:

- IUFRO Vice-President for Task Forces E. Paoletti to inform all proponents of Task Forces, including those that were not successful, about the discussions and decisions by the Management Committee. Those submitting full proposals will be asked to address the received feedback;

Action 5:

- Divisions to invite the Coordinators of IUFRO Special Programmes, Projects and Initiatives to join future meetings of Division Co-Coordinators;

Action 6:

- The IUFRO President and IUFRO HQ to recommend to the Board to encourage inclusion of IUFRO officeholders in national delegations to future COPs of the Rio Conventions, to ensure adequate representation of IUFRO scientists in these meetings;

Action 7:

- IUFRO HQ to inform the Enlarged Board in May 2025 about the results of the fundraising discussion at the MC meeting in Freiburg, including the recommendation to focus on door openers;

Action 8:

- IUFRO HQ to send out a reminder with an extended deadline to all members and former IC representatives of those countries that have not yet nominated their IC representatives. In case no representative has been nominated by the extended deadline, IUFRO HQ assumes that the head of the Member Organization in a given country that has the largest number of researchers will represent the country in the International Council;

Actions 9 and 10:

- The Management Committee to recommend to the Board to endorse Prof. Peter Kanowsky as an IUFRO President's Nominee via electronic Board ballot vote, set up by IUFRO HQ in November 2024;
- Based on a recommendation by the IUFRO Board, the International Council to approve Prof. Peter Kanowsky as an IUFRO President's Nominee via electronic ballot vote, set up by IUFRO HQ latest by January 2025;

Actions 11 and 12:

- The COC 2024 Chair to submit the final financial accounts of the Congress, including the delegate fees received from the Congress 2024 and licencing fee to IUFRO, to the MC for review latest by early April 2025;

- The COC 2024 Chair to submit the final summary report of the Congress to the MC and the Board prior to the 64th IUFRO Enlarged Board Meeting;

Action 13:

- The COC 2024 Chair, in collaboration with IUFRO HQ, to develop a concept for a follow-up survey to investigate the impact of the Congress and map out the usefulness of the Congress for the delegates, e.g. in terms of networking, topics and research outputs. The survey to be carried out before June 2025.

Action 14:

- DEI committee to consider additional member from the African continent, to ensure a better regional and cultural representation;

Actions 15 and 16:

- IUFRO HQ to undertake an economic analysis of reducing membership fee rates for lower- and middle-lower income countries for both Member Organizations and Associate Members, plus an analysis on the distribution of the written off membership fees between the IUFRO regions and income levels, to be presented to the MC latest by May 2025;
- Based on the analysis (Action 15), the MC to make related recommendations to the Board, including possible waiving of the Associate Membership fee, based on a formal written request, for officeholders who are from the Global South and early career researchers globally;

Action 17:

- Once finalized, the Terms of Reference, including the proposed composition of the IUFRO Strategy Committee to be circulated to the MC for its endorsement;

Action 18:

- J. Parrotta to draft Terms of Reference for a task group/committee to develop guidelines for IUFRO in publications, consisting of experts from the IUFRO network, to be finalized for Board's approval latest by the Enlarged Board Meeting in May 2025;

Action 19:

- D. Hodges to finalize the composition of the Honours and Awards Committee for approval by the Board via electronic Board ballot vote in November 2024;

Action 20:

- Before the end of 2024, the COC 2029 to discuss with the IUFRO President and IUFRO HQ the detailed plans and timeline for involvement of partners;

Action 21:

- The COC 2029 to involve IUFRO HQ in meetings of the Steering Committee of the Congress 2029;

Action 22:

- The COC 2029 and COC 2024 to organize a bridging meeting in the first half of 2025 to share information and experiences, including with the presence of IUFRO HQ representative(s);

Action 23:

- CSC 2029 Chair to identify and invite members to the Congress Scientific Committee, pending Board approval via electronic ballot vote in January 2025;

Action 24:

- A representative of IUFRO HQ communications team to be invited to the next meeting of Division Co-Coordinators, to inform them about the new website and related details;