

Nominations Committee
Report to Council on activities since meetings in Sydney, April 2011

1. The Nominations Committee (NC) has made a number of recommendations to the Executive Committee (EC) for committee leadership roles and for Delegates to Sections and outside organizations. These have been approved by the EC and are on the Council agenda for ratification, as required by Article 15 of the Statutes.
2. The Council agenda also includes nominations to the Audit and Finance, Executive, and Nominations Committees, for approval by Council.
3. The four nominations to the Executive Committee are each considered to be outstanding candidates. These nominations address a number of issues raised two years ago by including a nomination from an Asian member association and a nomination from a small association.
4. The NC considered two female suggestions received in response to the usual solicitation letter; both declined to be considered further on account of other commitments.
5. The EC nominations also include a Section Chair, Ken Buffin, which will ensure that the stipulation in the NC Protocol is satisfied over the next 4 years following the retirement from the EC of Harry Panjer, who was ASTIN Chair at the time of his appointment.
6. At the end of 2012, we will have two vacancies to fill, one of which will need to be filled by a Committee Chair following Rob Brown's retirement from the EC on December 31, 2012.
7. We will issue the usual solicitation letter in January, for suggestions to be received by 1 March as usual. Your association is encouraged to start considering in good time any potential candidates that it wishes the NC to consider.
8. A further issue that the NC has addressed is the suitability of candidates for leadership roles. It has developed a simple "fit and proper" questionnaire to which candidates will be expected to provide satisfactory responses before formal nomination. This is in line with best practice in corporate governance and will be included with the solicitation letter.

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