



Report to Council
from the Executive Committee Conference Call
April 3, 2012

1. IASSC Report

The EC welcomed Dave Pelletier, Chair of the IASSC, who alerted the EC to some difficulties the IASSC was encountering in implementing the new due process. The IASSC will consider possible solutions at its upcoming meeting and report back to the EC at its meeting of April 30.

2. Finances

a. Updates to 2012 committee expenses

The EC received an update on committee expenses to date, for information. The Director of Finance is developing a template to facilitate the submission by Chairs of expected expenses. The template, along with an update on expenses to date, will be sent to each Chair with a request to update their 2012 expenses and submit a budget for 2013.

b. Section cost recoveries

The issue of Section cost recoveries was progressing well and it will be a topic for discussion at the Section Treasurers meeting in Los Angeles.

c. Revised financial assistance policy

The EC approved the [revised financial assistance policy](#).

3. AWB/IAA Fund Task Force Terms of Reference

The proposed terms of reference (TORs) for the task force were discussed and expanded to include defining the major activities needed to implement Strategic Objective 4 and in which areas of the world such activities would take place.

The EC appointed David Congram and Thomas Béhar as its representatives on the Task Force. The Officers will be *ex officio* members. The Secretariat will ask the A&A Committee and the AWB Section to appoint two representatives each. A meeting of the Task Force will be planned in conjunction with the Los Angeles meetings.

4. Translation Policy

The EC considered a discussion paper on the translation of IAA documents and deferred any decision until after the Council has decided whether or not to add branding as a strategic objective as it could have an impact on this question.

5. Subsidiarity

The EC approved the discussion paper on the interpretation of the principle of subsidiarity, subject to two modifications, for inclusion on the 30-day Council agenda for LA. A separate paper will be developed to address the responsibility of FMAs with respect to subsidiarity.

6. Environment Working Group – Approve leadership

The EC approved the appointment of John Richardson (US) and Oliver Bettis (UK) as Co-Vice-Chairs with terms ending December 2013 and December 2014 respectively.

7. Regulated Professions Task Force

The TF was collaborating on a joint letter to the G20 as a follow up to the 2011 report. It was noted that the timeline for providing input did not allow for the use of the fast track procedure. The letter will be sent to the EC and communicated to Council.

Desmond Smith, Chairperson