

IVOA Exec Full Meeting: FM49 Supplementary

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Glossary:

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>
CVO - Canadian Virtual Observatory <http://www1.cadc-ccda.hia-ihp.nrc-cnrc.gc.ca/cvo/>
Euro-VO European Virtual Observatory <http://www.euro-vo.org>
F-VO - VO-France <http://www.france-vo.org>
GAVO - German Astrophysical Virtual Observatory <http://www.g-vo.org>
HVO - Hungarian Virtual Observatory <http://hvo.elte.hu>
VO-India - Indian Virtual Observatory <http://vo.iucaa.ernet.in/~voi/>
VObs.it - The Italian Virtual Observatory <http://vobs.astro.it/>
JVO - Japanese Virtual Observatory <http://jvo.nao.ac.jp/index-e.html>
VAO - Virtual Astronomical Observatory (USA) <http://www.us-vo.org>
RVO - Russian Virtual Observatory <http://www.inasan.rssi.ru/eng/rvo/>
SVO - Spanish Virtual Observatory <http://svo.cab.inta-csic.es>
UKR-VO - Ukraine Virtual Observatory <http://www.ukr-vo.org/>
IVOA - International Virtual Observatory Alliance <http://www.ivoa.net>

Agenda:

1. Planetary Science Liaisons
2. WG/IG chairs/deputy chairs with expiring terms
3. IVOA Exec Chair and Vice Chair
4. IVOA Secretary
5. IVOA Web pages and Document Repository
6. Future Interops
7. Data of Next Exec Meeting
8. AOB
9. Review of Action items

A. Appendices - reports from VO projects, WGs and IGs, see the wiki at:

<http://wiki.ivoa.net/twiki/bin/view/IVOA/IvoaExecMeetingFM49>

NEXT MEETING: Wednesday 25 September 2013, 19:00 Hawaii

1. Planetary Science Liaisons

Baptiste Cecconi (LESIA, Observatoire de Paris) was invited to address the exec meeting on the relationship between the planetary science community and the IVOA.

Baptiste outlined the participation of EuroPlanet project in the IVOA meetings and their implementations of IVOA standards (in France and Italy). There is a desire to interact more efficiently with IVOA and he asks what form this interaction might take.

There was some discussion on the IPDA (International Planetary Data Alliance, <http://planetarydata.org/>).

The idea of forming a Liaison group, or an Interest Group was raised and discussed.

ACTION FM48S-1 CA to formally raise the idea of liaisons with IPDA at their upcoming steering committee meeting.

JL indicates that he will also Informally approach the current IPDA chair about the idea of a liaison Group between IVOA and IPDA

2. WG/IG chairs/deputy chairs with expiring terms

It was AGREED that:

Mike Fitzpatrick would become deputy chair of the Time Domain Interest Group.

John Swinbank would become chair of the Time Domain Interest Group.

Francois Bonnarel would become deputy of the Data Access Layer Working Group.

The GWS chair and deputy chairs will swap positions for the remainder of their term so that Andreas Wicenc becomes deputy chair of GWS and André Schaaff becomes chair of GWS.

(MA, DS, CA, MD left the room for discussion of items 3 and 4)

3. IVOA Exec Chair and Vice Chair

David Schade is to become the next Chair of the IVOA exec.

Christophe Arviset is to become the next Deputy Chair of the IVOA exec.

4. IVOA Secretary

Janet Evans is to become the Executive Secretary of the IVOA. The next 6 months will serve as a transition period where MA and Janet will work together and Janet will take over at the Hawaii interop meeting.

It was also decided to make the Chair of the Committee for Science Priorities an invited member of the IVOA exec. As such MA remains on the exec as CSP chair.

5. IVOA Web pages and Document Repository

Following the discussion at the Sunday, this item was discussed again. Caltech hosting of the site is not sustainable and the transfer needs to be identified before the September 2013 interop.

DS indicated that Canada can re-visit its capacity to host the pages. BH indicated he will also explore options.

AK thanked Andy Lawrence and Sarah Emery Bunn for all their work in creating the new IVOA web pages.

The possibility of finding a way to have the web pages internationally hosted, via a provider such as Amazon was raised.

ACTION FM49S-2 AW to report back to the exec at the September interop meeting on the options for Amazon (or similar) hosting

6. Future Interops

BH provided a further update on the Hawaii interop. There is the possibility of adding 30 rooms to the reservations. BH will ask for show of hands in the meeting to gauge interest. The special rate for the rooms will extend +/- 3 days from the meeting dates. It will be important to make 2 bookings if you are attending both IVOA and ADASS in order to fulfill the room reservation contracts.

The time/date for the exec meeting in Hawaii was discussed. This will be Wednesday evening Sept 25, 19:00.

Future meetings were discussed. The May 2014 is planned for Madrid, to be co-organized by ESAVO and SVO.

The Sept/Oct/Nov may be held in Canada alongside the ADASS meeting. Decision yet to be made.

RS proposed Trieste, Italy for the May 2015 meeting.

It was noted that the Sept/Oct/Nov 2015 meeting could be coordinated with the ADASS meeting which is planned for Australia.

7. Date of Next Meeting

As per above item the next face to face meeting will be Wednesday September 25, 19:00, Hawaii.

8. AOB

AOB i) Software code bases

DS described the ideas raised about IVOA supported code bases (packages) during the Wednesday focus session panel discussion. MG noted that VAO will put code into a repository as part of the close-out plan. DS indicated the idea was for something more formal and curated. MD mentioned success of community efforts such as AstroPy. Existing connections with AstroPy were noted (VAO, e.g. in May 2013 newsletter).

ACTION FM49S-3 SG to raise the issue of IVOA interaction with (or contribution to) AstroPy with the Apps WG

AOB ii) TAP as a standard

The real/perceived difficulties of implementing TAP was raised by DS. BH indicated that it was ObsCore, not TAP, that was difficult due to the effort needed in mapping of Obscore fields to archive metadata. There was a discussion on the efforts required for

standardization and that data centres would need to see added value in order to undertake such efforts.

ACTION FM49S-4 SG to raise the idea of a feedback session about use of ObsCore in applications.

AOB iii) FG indicated that tiger teams are intended to provide advice and not finalized decisions. Decisions need to be discussed in the WGs. MG responded that the utypes session (Thursday) will manage the current discussion following the utypes tiger team conclusions.

9. Review of Action Items

New Action Items:

ACTION FM48S-1 CA to raise the idea of liaisons with IPDA at their upcoming steering committee meeting.

ACTION FM49S-2 AW to report back to the exec at the September interop meeting on the options for Amazon (or similar) hosting

ACTION FM49S-3 SG to raise the issue of IVOA interaction with (or contribution to) AstroPy with the Apps WG

ACTION FM49S-4 SG In the closing plenary - raise the idea of a feedback session about use of ObsCore in applications.

On-going items:

ACTION FM49-1 Exec to decide on Wednesday exec meeting about ADASS tutorials
ONGOING - was not addressed in meeting

ACTION TM47-1 MA to review the Multi-dimensional data use cases to include more general usage.

ONGOING - more general use cases will be sought from focus session participants and also the exec.

ACTION TM47-2 SG to coordinate the TCG to make an initial investigation of the CSP science priority cases.

ONGOING - TCG is participating in the focus sessions