



INTER-AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR GLOBAL CHANGE RESEARCH

## **38<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the IAI Executive Council**

**Mexico City, Mexico**

**14 August 2014**

### **Action list**

#### **XXXVIII/1**

1. The EC approved the Agenda of its Thirty Eighth Meeting, with the addition of one item: "Using Technologies to connect scientists: Research Gate"

#### **XXXVIII/2**

2. The EC elected its Bureau: Maria Uhle, from the US as the EC Chair, Carlos Ereño from Argentina as the First Vice-chair, and Eric Gagné from Canada as the Second Vice-Chair.

#### **XXXVIII/3**

3. The EC approved the action list of its Thirty Seventh Meeting with modifications already included.

#### **XXXVIII/4**

4. The EC established a committee composed of Peru, Brazil, Mexico and the SAC Chair to draft a pronouncement on the importance of adaptation to the UNFCCC CoP-20.

#### **XXXVIII/5**

5. The EC accepted the draft text of the pronouncement (in Spanish) and charged the Directorate with editing and translation. The final text will be circulated among CoP members and upon approval will be submitted to the CoP-20 by Uruguay on behalf of the IAI.

#### **XXXVIII/6**

6. The EC discussed issues and guidelines for the initial Science Policy Advisory Committee: the term of all nine members will be one year; the EC decided to ask Bob Corell to be the convener of the first meeting of the SPAC in conjunction with the Directorate; the SPAC should identify key partners to be contacted within various regions; SPAC members should get in contact with the country representatives; the SAC and the SPAC should find mechanisms of interaction. For the next CoP the SPAC should review its ToRs and develop its own Rules of Procedure.

Nominations for the coming year should include term lengths between 1 and 3 years in order to achieve a staggering of terms to guarantee future continuity. In the future, term lengths should be the same (3 years) for all members.

The EC would also discuss criteria of science-policy expertise in order to review candidates for the committee.

**XXXVIII/7**

7.The EC decided that in case one of the original candidates for the SPAC declines the invitation, an alternate would be selected from the list who meets the desired geographical and gender balance (in that order).

**XXXVIII/8**

8.The EC accepted to introduce the use of Research Gate to connect IAI scientists.

**XXXVIII/9**

9.The EC requested invitations from member countries to host the next EC-CoP meetings. In case no offer is tendered, the Directorate will start working with the host country, to have the meetings at the Directorate headquarters as stated in Rule 13, Chapter 2 of the Rules of Procedure of the Conference of the Parties.