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CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE
INTER-AMERICAN INSTITUTE FOR GLOBAL
CHANGE RESEARCH
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Agenda item 5**

Agenda item 5: Overview of Voting Procedures

1. This document has been prepared by the IAI Directorate.

Background

2. Article VIII, paragraphs 4 and 6 of the *Agreement establishing the Inter-American Institute for Global Change Research* state:
 4. *The Director shall be elected by a two-thirds majority of the Conference of the Parties from nominations submitted by the Parties and for a three-year term with eligibility for a single additional term; and,*
 6. *The Director shall not be a citizen or permanent resident of the Party hosting the Directorate.*
3. Chapter XII, Election and removal of the Executive Director, rules 85 and 86 of the *Standing rules of the Conference of the Parties of the Inter-American Institute for Global Change Research* (as approved by CoP 29, June 2021) state:

Rule 85: The Executive Director shall be elected in accordance with the provisions of Article VIII, Sections 4 and 6 of the Agreement Establishing the IAI, and in accordance with Rule 61.

Rule 86: The Parties shall nominate candidates forty-five (45) days prior to the date of the election by communication addressed to the Executive Director, who shall immediately circulate the nominations to all Parties, as received.

4. Chapter IX, Voting, rule 61 of the *Standing rules* state:

Rule 61: Voting to elect or remove the Executive Director shall be conducted by secret ballot.

Voting procedures

5. The Chair of the Selection Committee will present the Committee's recommendation for the post of Executive Director.
6. Voting to select the Executive Director shall be by secret ballot per rule 61 of the *Standing rules of the Conference of the Parties of the Inter-American Institute for Global Change Research*.
7. Voting will be made through use of the "polling" system available in Zoom. Use of the polling system guarantees anonymity in the selection of the candidate.
8. Only Parties shall vote for the selection of the Executive Director.
9. Parties will be able to view the results of the election.
10. In accordance with Article VIII, paragraph 4, the Executive Director will be elected by a two-thirds majority of Parties for a three-year term with eligibility for a single additional term.

Recommendation

11. The Conference of the Parties is invited to take note of this report.