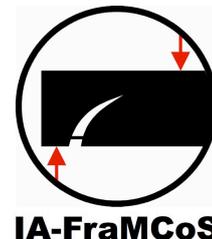


# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF IA-FRAMCOS. MAY 30, 2016



Venue: Kerr-Clark Conference Center, Room 102, UC Berkeley  
Date and Time: Monday, May 30, 2016 – 08:30-09:00h

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## **In attendance:**

President: Victor Saouma  
President elect: Gilles Pijaudier-Cabot  
Secretary: Gonzalo Ruiz  
Treasurer: Gianluca Cusatis

## **Invited as FraMCoS-9 organizers:**

Eric Landis  
John Bolander

## **(0) Introduction**

Victor Saouma welcomed everybody present and introduced the topics that were about to be treated. The agenda had been sent to all present by e-mail the previous day. The items in the agenda were:

1. Results of election of new members of the Board of Directors
2. Nomination of J. M. Chandra Kishen for FraMCoS Fellow
3. Bylaws elections
4. FraMCoS-9 financial update
5. Planning of the General Assembly

Eric Landis completed the introduction giving a summary on the Conference attendance. The total number of abstracts submitted was 314, which led to 205 conference presentations and 178 papers published (6 still pending as of then). The total number of FraMCoS-9 registrants was 235 (86 of them were students) from 32 countries.

## **(1) Results of election of new members of the Board of Directors**

Gonzalo Ruiz reported on the results of the election of new members of the Board of Directors, which was made by a survey that had been posed on line on May 18 to all the 325 members of the IA. There were 180 of them who voted to at least one and up to four of the six selected candidates for a position in the Board of Directors. The votes obtained by each candidate were:

	Votes	Percentage
Gianluca Cusatis	87	48.3
Marco di Prisco	84	46.7
J. M. Chandra Kishen	43	23.9
Eric Landis	102	56.7
Erik Schlangen	105	58.3
Shilang Xu	38	21.1

So, the newly elected Directors were Gianluca Cusatis, Marco di Prisco, Eric Landis and Erik Schlangen. Gonzalo Ruiz noted that results of the voting somehow reflects the origin of the IA members, since the most numerous group is formed by members of Europe (57%) followed by

Asia/Australia (29%) and America (14%). The results of the election were going to be made public later on at the General Assembly.

## **(2) Nomination of J. M. Chandra Kishen for IA-FraMCoS Fellow**

Victor Saouma nominated J. M. Chandra Kishen (who is a former student of his) for FraMCoS Fellow as:

- a. He attended FraMCoS 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9.
- b. He always brought students with him: 2 in Jeju, 5 in Toledo, and 6 in Berkeley.
- c. He is very well published.
- d. He is a very low key modest serious researcher and Professor at the Indian Institute of Science.

The nomination was approved unanimously.

## **(3) Bylaws elections**

The new Bylaws had been posted in the web-site of the IA and it had been announced that members should read them beforehand. So, in the GA it is only necessary to introduce the election, 'raise hands' and count the votes.

## **(4) FraMCoS-9 financial update**

John Bolander gave a brief update on the finances of the Conference that was about to start. The choice of the Kerr-Clark Campus of UC Berkeley as the venue for FraMCoS-9 has the disadvantage that the Conference Center is relatively cheap whereas lodging is somehow expensive and, thus, it was necessary to subsidize the room block that had been made. He thinks that, after all the payments they still have to make, it will be possible to contribute to the IA with at least 5,000 USD. Gianluca Cusatis said that the IA had wired 13,000 USD to the Conference organizers as a deposit. He mentioned that the IA has a surplus of over 40,000 USD. Victor Saouma said that it was necessary to encourage more activities sponsored by the IA.

## **(5) Planning of the General Assembly**

Victor Saouma proposed the following agenda for the GA:

- Welcome [Victor Saouma]
- State of IA-FraMCoS
  - Financials [Gianluca Cusatis]
  - <http://framcos.org>
- IA-FraMCoS Board of Directors Election Results [Gonzalo Ruiz]
- Bylaws [Gonzalo Ruiz]
- New Fellows [Victor Saouma]
- Report on FraMCoS-9
  - Participation and Publication [Eric Landis]
  - Financials [John Bolander]
- FraMCoS-10 [Gilles Pijaudier-Cabot]

The name inside square brackets is the person in charge of this item in the GA. The agenda was approved by all present.

Victor Saouma assumed that all the points of the Agenda for the Board meeting had been addressed and satisfactorily solved and thus closed the meeting by 09:00, since the Conference was about to start.

Gonzalo Ruiz, IA-FraMCoS Secretary