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Background

Bye-laws of IARU Region 1, Section B.1 - IARU Region 1 General Conference

When drawing up the timetable for the 2014 IARU Region 1 General Conference, the Region 1 Secretary noticed some discrepancies in the bye-laws for the arrangement of the Regional General Conferences. The aim of this paper is to correct these discrepancies and to update Table 1 in the Bye-laws.

Present Bye-Law B.1.4.1. Such documents should reach the Secretariat not later than 4 months prior to the scheduled date of the General Conference. They may be submitted by electronic means, telefax, electronic mail or similar services, as indicated by the Secretariat.

Present Bye-Law B.1.8. The Secretariat shall distribute at least 5 months before the scheduled date of the General Conference at least one set of conference documents to all Member Societies, the Executive Committee and Chairmen or Coordinators of Specialised Bodies.

Reading these two bye-laws, it indicates that the Secretariat must distribute the conference documents one (1) month before the documents must be submitted to the Secretariat.

Proposal

It is proposed that the two Bye-laws be changed to read as follows:

Proposed Bye-Law B.1.4.1. Such documents should reach the Secretariat not later than 5 months prior to the scheduled date of the General Conference. They may be submitted by electronic means, telefax, electronic mail or similar services, as indicated by the Secretariat.

Proposed Bye-Law B.1.8. The Secretariat shall distribute at least 4 months before the scheduled date of the General Conference at least one set of conference documents to all Member Societies, the Executive Committee and Chairmen or Coordinators of Specialised Bodies.

These changes will now clear the discrepancies.

It is proposed to amend Table 1 in the Bye-laws to show all the dates as indicated in the various Bye-laws. The proposed new Table 1 is shown below:

TABLE 1. - TIMETABLE FOR CONVENING A GENERAL CONFERENCE

Months prior to scheduled date	Procedure	Action by
12	Advance note of the convening of a General Conference <i>B. 1.1 An advance announcement about the General Conference, including a call for papers must be distributed by the Executive Committee at least 12 months before the scheduled date of the General Conference.</i>	Secretariat
12	Call for working papers. (B.1.1)	Secretariat
9	Notification of number(s) of participants from each Member Society <i>B.1.2. The Secretariat must be notified by the Member Societies about the number of participants not later than 9 months before the scheduled date of the General Conference.</i>	Member Societies
7	Request for Assistance. <i>B.1.21 A Member Society, which for financial reasons is unable to send a delegate to the General Conference, may apply for financial assistance from IARU Region 1 funds. The application for such assistance must reach the Executive Committee at least 7 months before the scheduled date of the General Conference. Later applications shall only be considered in a case of emergency at the discretion of the Executive Committee. The financial assistance given out of IARU Region 1 funds shall be limited in each case to one single delegate from a Member Society and only if otherwise such a Member Society would be unable to have one single delegate participate in the General Conference. The amount shall depend on available financial resources and the total number of applications received and shall be determined by the Executive Committee.</i>	Member Societies
6	<i>B.1.2.1 Six months before the scheduled date of the General Conference the Secretariat shall distribute the final attendance forms, which shall be returned by the Member Societies, duly filled-in and signed by a Member Society official, to the Secretariat not later than four months before</i>	Secretariat

	<i>the scheduled date of the General Conference.</i>	
5	All documents qualified for inclusion in the Agenda of the General Conference must have been received by the Secretariat <i>B.1.4.1 Such documents should reach the Secretariat not later than 5 months prior to the scheduled date of the General Conference. They may be submitted by electronic means, telefax, electronic mail or similar services, as indicated by the Secretariat.</i>	Secretariat
4	<i>B.1.8 The Secretariat shall distribute at least 4 months before the scheduled date of the General Conference at least one set of conference documents to all Member Societies, the Executive Committee and Chairmen or Coordinators of Specialised Bodies.</i>	Secretariat
4	Final attendance forms, duly completed and returned to the Secretariat <i>B.1.2.1 Six months before the scheduled date of the General Conference the Secretariat shall distribute the final attendance forms, which shall be returned by the Member Societies, duly filled-in and signed by a Member Society official, to the Secretariat not later than four months before the scheduled date of the General Conference.</i>	Member Societies
3	Publication on the IARU Region 1 web of the Conference documents, and notification by e-mail to member societies that the documents are available <i>B.1.9 The Secretariat shall distribute an additional set of conference documents at least 3 months before the scheduled date of the General Conference for delegates and observers whose participation has been finally confirmed by the Member Societies and other bodies.</i>	Secretariat