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Minutes of the Meeting of the IARR Council Monday 25th September 2023, 13:00 – 14:00 (GMT + 1) Online via MS Teams

*Approved at a Virtual Meeting of the IARR Council
Friday 16th March 2024, 13:00 GMT*

Council Members Present

President	George Iliakis, Germany
Vice-President	Rhona Anderson, UK
Secretary-Treasurer	Fiona Lyng, Ireland
Councillor for Physics	Karen Kirkby, UK
Councillor for Chemistry	Rebecca Abergel, US
Councillor for Medicine	Navita Somaiah, UK
Councillor-at-Large	Jan Bussink, The Netherlands
Councillor representing ARR	Jonathan Coulter, UK
Councillor representing ERRS	Martin Falk, Czech Republic
Councillor representing IRRS	Laure Maignol, Ireland
Councillor representing JARR	Hiroshi Harada, Japan
Councillor representing NVRB	Arlene Oei, The Netherlands
Councillor representing PRRS	Dorota Slonina, Poland
Councillor representing RRS	Bruce Kimler, US
Councillor representing SIRR	Giuseppe Battistoni, Italy

Apologies

Councillor for Biology	Markus Lobrich, Germany
Councillor-at-Large	Ruth Wilkins, Canada

Council Members Absent

Councillor-at-Large	Rachel Lane, Canada
Councillor representing CCRR	Xu Su, China



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1. IARR President George Iliakis (GI) welcomed all Council members and the agenda was approved.
2. IARR Secretary-Treasurer Fiona Lyng (FL) had previously circulated the Minutes of the Old Council and New Council meetings and the General Assembly (28th, 29th, 30th August 2023). Bruce Kimler (BK) noted that a quorum had not been reached for the Old Council meeting but made a motion to approve all of the Minutes, seconded by IARR Vice President Rhona Anderson (RA). The Minutes were approved by Council without objection.
3. The proposed changes to the Constitution and Bylaws had been circulated to all Councillors by FL in advance and were introduced briefly by BK. BK explained that these changes would allow updating of IARR procedures as the Constitution was written 50 years ago. However the original concepts were being retained. The main change would be that the IARR Council would conduct all the business of the IARR and the General Assembly would no longer be needed. In line with the previous rules for the General Assembly, there would be proportional representation from all member societies including a Councillor-at-Large to represent smaller societies with less than 100 members. The Bylaws would document the IARR processes and procedures to allow transfer of knowledge to the next Council but could be changed if required. No objections were raised by the Councillors present. It was agreed that a 80% majority would be required for approval of the revised Constitution and Bylaws. FL would circulate the documents one final time and give a deadline for objections to be raised. No response by the deadline would be taken as approval. The next step would be to send the revised documents to all the member societies for a similar approval process.
4. RA raised the issue of how to increase the number of IARR member societies and become more inclusive. A subgroup was formed to be chaired by RA to progress this. Navita Somaiah and FL volunteered to join. BK suggested that new societies could join the IARR initially as a non voting member until their finances were established.
5. Under AOB, BK reminded all that previous minutes and other documents are available on the IARR webpages, <https://www.radres.org/mpage/IARR-Home>. GI asked Martin Falk (MF) if there was any update on ICRR2027 since August. MF confirmed that a capacity of 1400 delegates would be possible for ICRR2027.
6. GI thanked all Council members and closed the meeting at 13.50.