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1. Introduction

To best reflect opinions of all member societies in Region 1 conference it is desirable to have as many delegates from as many societies as possible participating. In some regions of the world it is very difficult to afford the cost of travelling to these general conferences. Additional funding often helps societies to send representatives.

However sometimes this might lead to “thankful behaviour during elections.”

2. Background

Some Member Societies are invited to IARU conferences and costs arising for the participants are covered by IARU Region 1 budget. This practice is good to also provide financially weak societies with the opportunity to participate and contribute to IARU conferences.

For this purpose, the funding of the participants is reviewed by the EC and a decision is made.

3. Key points and proposal

Transparency is a major factor in social life as well as within IARU. This also includes the prevention of potential situations where voting behaviour may be influenced.

4. Recommendation:

To ensure the maximum possible transparency in the election of the EC, the articles of association shall be amended so that societies receiving financial funding to participate at the conference may not participate in the election of the EC.

In all other votes, they shall have unrestricted voting rights.