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Minutes of the Meeting of the IARR New Council Wednesday 30th August 2023, 08:00 – 09:00 Room 512B,F (5th floor, Palais des Congrès de Montréal)

Approved by Council – 25 September 2023

Council Members Present

President	George Iliakis, Germany
Vice-President	Rhona Anderson, UK
Secretary-Treasurer	Fiona Lyng, Ireland
Councillor-at-Large	Jan Bussink, The Netherlands
Councillor-at-Large	Ruth Wilkins, Canada
Councillor-at-Large	Rachel Lane, Canada
Councillor representing ERRS	Martin Falk, Czech Republic
Councillor representing NVRB	Julie Nonnekens, The Netherlands
Councillor representing PRRS	Dorota Slonina, Poland
Councillor representing RRS	Bruce Kimler, US

Apologies

Councillor for Physics	Karen Kirkby, UK
Councillor for Medicine	Navita Somaiah, UK
Councillor representing AARR	Kaushala Prasad Mishra, India
Councillor representing ARR	Jonathan Coulter, UK
Councillor representing CCRR	Xu Su, China
Councillor representing IRRS	Laure Marignol, Ireland
Councillor representing SIRR	Giuseppe Battistoni, Italy

Council Members Absent

Councillor for Chemistry	Rebecca Abergel, US
Councillor for Biology	Markus Lobrich, Germany
Councillor representing JARR	Hiroshi Harada, Japan

Guest

Iva Falkova, Czech Republic



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1. IARR President George Iliakis (GI) welcomed the New Council and invited everyone present to introduce themselves. The agenda was approved.
2. Budget and financial matters
 - a. IARR Secretary-Treasurer Fiona Lyng (FL) showed the current situation for the IARR membership subscriptions and the membership of the IARR member societies from 2004-2023 (2662 members in 2023). The situation with AARR (behind in their subscriptions since 2018) is being resolved. Julie Nonnekens (JN) mentioned that other relevant Societies could be approached and invited to join IARR.
 - b. FL showed the balances for the IARR current account (GBP32,875) and deposit account (GBP77,520) and the letter from the Finance Committee following the audit of the accounts. She thanked the Chair of the Finance Committee, Bruce Kimler (BK).
 - c. The proposed budget for the 2023-2026 period was shown which was approved at the General Assembly on 29th August 2023.
 - d. FL mentioned the loan/grant of €40,000 for ICRR2027 and the €15,000 support for young investigators to attend ICRR2027 which would be available to the ICRR2027 hosts. Rhona Anderson (RA) queried whether the €40,000 was now a grant rather than a loan. FL clarified that this had been discussed previously but that it had been agreed that the 'loan/grant' terminology be retained as funds should be returned to IARR where possible but where not possible, the loan would convert to a grant.
 - e. FL outlined that €10,000 had been included in the proposed budget for support of small meetings. These should be relevant to radiation research and should be international in nature.
3. Iva Falkova (IF) and Martin Falk (MF) presented an update on the plans for ICRR2027 to be held in Brno in June 2027. A website (www.icrr2027.com) and an app are available already with information on Brno. Rachel Lane (RL) proposed aligning dates with the UNSCEAR meeting in Vienna. IARR member society reduced registration rates were suggested by FL and although BK mentioned this was difficult to verify, RL suggested that it would be good to incentivise attendees to join their national societies. Programme topics were discussed briefly and GI mentioned that a Programme committee would be responsible for this. BK mentioned that an email could be circulated to all ICRR2023 attendees with information on ICRR2027. It was agreed to hold regular online meetings with IF and MF to provide ongoing support to the ICRR2027 organising committee.



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4. GI mentioned that bids for the 19th ICRR would be discussed at the interim meeting in 2025.
5. FL suggested RRS2025 in Puerto Rico, ERR2025 in Belgium or an AARR meeting in Hiroshima in 2025 as venues for the interim meeting. A poll will be circulated to choose the venue. A hybrid meeting will be held if possible to accommodate anyone who cannot attend in person.
6. The proposed changes to the Constitution was raised under any other business. BK is working on a final draft and this will be circulated to all Council members for discussion at an online meeting at the end of September. FL will circulate a poll for the week of 25 September.
7. GI thanked all Council members and closed the meeting at 09.55.