

## **Process for selecting chapter participants in ISOC delegations**

### **Background**

The recent call for applications for fellowships for participation by chapter members in the World Telecommunication Standardization Assembly (WTSA) was very welcome. However, while the criteria used to select the fellows was very clear and comprehensive, the selection process was not sufficiently transparent. In particular the names of the applicants were not posted, and the composition of the selection committee was not posted.

The Chapters Advisory Council recommends that a transparent NomCom process should be used in the future for the selection of fellows and/or participants in ISOC delegations to non-ISOC events. This recommendation should be extended to ISOC General Elections process and project selection in programs such as the Beyond the Net.

### **Proposal**

#### For non-ISOC events:

If ISOC plans to include chapter members in a delegation to a non-ISOC event (whether with or without a fellowship to cover travel and subsistence costs), then it is recommended that the following process be used:

1. Communicate the intent to the Chapter Delegates list, together with a draft of the criteria that will be used to select participants.
2. Review comments made by the Chapter Delegates, and, if appropriate, modify the criteria.
3. Publish the call for candidates and the criteria.
4. Publish the composition of the selection committee.
5. Publish the names of the applicants that apply.
6. Publish the names of the selected participants.

#### For ISOC General Elections:

1. Add to the current process to publish the names of the applicants that apply.

#### For Beyond the Net:

1. Add to the current process to publish the composition of the selection committee.
2. Add to the current process to publish the titles and abstracts of all the projects received.
3. Add to the current process to publish the criteria used to approve or deny a grant
4. Add to the current process to include in the selection committee at least one member that speak at expert or native level the language of the project being evaluated.
5. Add to the current process to provide to chapters with the option of complete or clarify info in order to satisfy requirements from the selection committee