92nd MEETING OF EXECUTIVE BOARD OF ICSU

Saturday, 22 October 2005
08:00-12:00

Suzhou, China

DECISIONS

Present: Giovanni Berlucchi, Ana María Cetto, Hernan Chaimovich, Michel Denis, Roger Elliott, Fu Congbin, Francis Gudyanga, Bryan Henry, Jane Lubchenco, Goverdhan Mehta, Khotso Mokhele, Sergio Pastrana, Uri Shamir, and Thomas Rosswall (ex officio)

Secretariat: Tish Bahmani Fard, Maureen Brennan, Peter Collins, Laurie Geller, Gisbert Glaser, Leah Goldfarb, Elisabeth Merle, Mustapha Mokrane, Rohini Rao, Carthage Smith

Apologies for absence: Cynthia Beall

1. Welcome and Opening of the Meeting

The Members of the Board and staff of the Secretariat introduced themselves briefly.

The address list of Members of the Board and e.mail addresses of staff are attached as Annex 1.

2. Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was set up primarily to brief the new Executive Board. Information items would be brief and substantive discussion would take place at the next meeting of the EB, except for certain items where such discussion could not wait.

Decision:
To adopt Agenda.
3. Role and Responsibilities of Board Members

3.1 Role

Members were informed that, according to the Statutes, the Executive Board was responsible to the General Assembly. It oversaw the operations of ICSU; recommended directions and priorities to the General Assembly (taking into consideration recommendations of the appropriate Committees) and it implemented and communicated ICSU's policies and views between sessions of the GA. It met as often as necessary and at least once a year. The normal practice was that it met twice, and for reasons of formal auditing requirements, one meeting had to be in April, with a second meeting in late October – early November. One meeting was usually in Paris and the venue for the other meeting selected based on strategic considerations. The EB could also be convened by a decision of the President in case of particular urgency, provided at least 30 days' notice was given.

Among its duties the EB had to:

a) prepare the Agenda for the General Assembly;
b) present, to each General Assembly, a report of the scientific and administrative activities of ICSU since the previous ordinary General Assembly;
c) propose, for consideration by the General Assembly, a draft budgetary outline of ICSU, and the scale of annual dues to be paid by Members of ICSU for the ensuing 3-year period;
d) appoint the Nominating Committee;
e) decide on the annual budget of ICSU, which should then be approved by Membership through an electronic General Assembly. The Executive Board decides on the total sum allocated for grants as part of the budget, and the CSPR decides on individual allocations.
f) admit new National Scientific Members and Scientific Associates (National, Regional and International) when such applications are received more than twelve months before the next session of the Assembly (Rules of Procedure 8 and 9);
g) when urgent action is needed, establish (with precise terms of reference for limited periods of time) or suspend ICSU bodies, subject to ratification by the next session of the General Assembly;
h) review the scientific activities of ICSU as carried out by its Interdisciplinary Bodies and make appropriate recommendations to the General Assembly;
i) review periodically the relationship with the International and Regional Scientific Associates and make appropriate recommendations to the General Assembly;
j) appoint the CSPR and review its activities and findings.

Members were elected by the full membership and did not represent either the Unions or National Member who had nominated them. The affiliation (National or Union) given after their names was for information purposes only.

Board Members were expected to take an active part in Board discussions and assist in implementing General Assembly and EB decisions.
It was essential that discussions in the Executive Board be open and constructive. These could not be reported outside the Board and once decisions were made, dissenting views should not be made known outside the EB. Such views could be noted in the report from the meeting, although this had so far never happened. EB decisions were made publicly available on the ICSU website.

The Officers (President, Past President/President Elect, Vice-President for Scientific Planning and Review, Vice-President for External Relations, Secretary General and Treasurer) were responsible for the day-to-day affairs of ICSU between meetings of the EB. They met as often as deemed necessary, normally twice a year.

**Decision:**
To note the roles of Executive Board Members and Officers.

**3.2 Liability**

The opinion of the ICSU auditors concerning the legal liability of Members of the Executive Board was provided for information. ICSU had an insurance policy which covered EB Members for misconduct or injury caused to third parties.

**Decision:**
To note liability of EB Members.

**3.3 Rules for Travel on ICSU Business**

The rules for travel were given on the back of the Travel Claim form. Reimbursement of expenses (air tickets and so on) could be made in advance of the meeting upon receipt of an invoice. Originals of air tickets and all other expenses had to be submitted after the meeting. Members were encouraged to use the most economical fares possible.

ICSU's insurance policy covered EB Members travelling on ICSU business but on a nominative basis, so if such coverage was required, the Secretariat needed to be informed well in advance of the proposed trip.

**Decision:**
To note ICSU travel rules.

**4. 91st Meeting of the Executive Board and Matters Arising**
(not treated elsewhere)

All matters arising were treated elsewhere on the Agenda.

**Decision:**
To approve the decisions of the 91st Executive Board by the Members of the Executive Board 2002-2005.
5. Implementing the ICSU Strategy

5.1 General discussion

The GA had approved the Strategic Plan for 2006-2011. This would now be printed, after any changes decided on by the GA had been incorporated, and it would be distributed widely. One of the main tasks for the EB, supported by the Committee on Scientific Planning and Review (CSPR), would be to prioritize the various items over time.

Some strategic initiatives had already begun:

- An ICSU/WMO Joint Committee has already been established, and the decision of the GA to launch an International Polar Year is only a formality. The planning in 2006 will be crucial for the success of the IPY. The links to other initiatives, such as the Electronic Geophysical Year (eGY) of IUGG and the Year of Planet Earth of five geo-Unions are especially important.
- The establishment of a Planning Committee for Natural and Human-Induced Environmental Hazards and Disasters is proposed below. ICSU will continue to interact with the UN International Strategy for Disaster Reduction (ISDR).
- The report of the external review of the International Human Dimensions Programme on Global Environmental Change (IHDP) is expected in the near future. Discussions on the review of the remaining three global environmental change programmes will be held during the meeting of the Intergovernmental Group of Funding Agencies for Global Change Research (IGFA) later this month in Arlington, VA, USA. The CSPR will be responsible for the reviews and follow-up recommendations to the EB.
- Planning for the next session of the UN Commission for Sustainable Development (CSD) is well under way, and the report from the Scientific and Technological Community must be ready in November. The ICSU family has been invited to contribute to the process.
- A decision has been made to establish a Committee on Freedom and Responsibility in the Conduct of Science.
- The establishment of three additional ICSU Regional Offices will continue to be a high priority.

The EB was invited to provide guidance in relation to priorities for implementing the strategy. The CSPR would be asked to develop a first draft of an implementation plan at its next meeting scheduled for February 2006 and this would then be discussed by the 93rd meeting of the EB (planned for April).

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5.2 Natural and Human-Induced Natural Hazards and Disasters

The GA had received and approved the scoping report identifying a possible niche for ICSU in the area of natural hazards. It had instructed the Executive Board to take the next steps, i.e. to plan for a new programme on natural and human-induced environmental hazards and disasters, building on existing initiatives, and had disbanded the Committee on Disaster Reduction, since its functions would be subsumed by this new activity. The action was, therefore, to initiate the process of appointing a Planning Committee that would develop a detailed prospectus for the proposed hazards programme. That Committee should also, for the time being, take on any relevant functions of the disbanded CDR. The EB was asked to approve the ToR for the Planning Committee, which would then be circulated to the ICSU family asking for their nominations for the Committee. The role of the CSPR in the future process needed to be discussed. As this was concerned with planning, the EB might wish to request the CSPR to appoint the Planning Committee.

Decisions:
To approve the terms of reference for a Planning Committee on Natural and Human-Induced Environmental Hazards and Disasters; to request the Secretariat to circulate the ToR to National and Union Members, as well as Interdisciplinary Bodies, seeking nominations for membership on the Committee; to consult with other key partners regarding membership; and to ask the CSPR to decide on membership.

5.3 Regional Offices

Progress was reported during the GA. The EB needed to consider the next steps in relation to the establishment of a Regional Office for Latin America and the Caribbean. Two formal offers had been received from Brazil and Panama. The Brazilian proposal was specific and offered support of $50,000 per year for three years. This was considerably less than was earlier offered by Mexico and much less than the financial support from South Africa for the African Office. The offer from Panama was less specific as to the extent of the support.

The ICSU National Members from the Latin America and the Caribbean region who were present met during the GA and recommended that the offer from the Brazilian Academy of Sciences and the Government of Brazil be accepted. A call for nominations for members of the Regional Committee would be sent out to the National Members, specifying that nominations should preferably be of candidates who are active scientists involved in the activities of ICSU Interdisciplinary Bodies or Scientific Unions. A call for invitations for the First ICSU Regional Meeting for Latin America and the Caribbean would be sent to all National Members in the region, and it was expected that a meeting would be held during the first part of 2006.
**Decisions:**
To accept the offer from Brazil to host the ICSU Regional Office for Latin America and the Caribbean for three years, subject to approval by the other National Members in the region; and
to instruct the Executive Director to negotiate the terms for the establishment within the general framework for Regional Offices earlier established by the Executive Board.

6. **Report from the ICSU Policy Committee on Developing Countries**

The PCDC had reported to the GA. The EB needed to consider responses to the various recommendations in their report and the following suggestions were made.

1. Capacity building should be further addressed in the context of follow-up to the PAA on Capacity Building. The PCDC should also be asked to explore this further taking note of the potential CSPR scoping activity on science education.

2. South-South collaboration should be developed by the Regional Offices.

3. The Regional Office for Africa will develop plans for a programme, on a trial basis, to encourage scientists working abroad to return home periodically to help with the science agenda in their country of origin.

4. Any new ICSU initiative in the health area should consider science and technology for human well-being, including a focus on research into diseases prevalent in developing countries.

5. The next PCDC meeting will consider the need for increased involvement of social sciences in addressing science for society.

6. a. The Secretariat discussed proposed amendments to UNESCO's Draft Programme and Budget for 2006-2007 which called for an in-depth review of the Sciences Programmes with delegations from the countries proposing the review and the USA during the 33rd General Conference. ICSU should offer support and advice for the implementation of the review, which was also stated in the intervention by the Executive Director during the General Conference.

b. The ICSU family has been informed about the IAC report, "Inventing a Better Future: A Strategy for Building Worldwide Capacities in Science and Technology".

c. The Regional Committee for Africa has sent a submission to the UK's Department for International Development (DFID) which is engaging the international community to support the contribution that science, engineering, technology and innovation (SETI) can make to achieving the Millennium Development Goals.

d. The Regional Office for Africa will follow up on: the Joint Statement of the G8 and African Academies of Sciences on science and technology for African development; the report of the UK Commission on Africa; the African Union's Commission on Human Resource Development; and the New Partnership for Africa's Development (NEPAD).
7. A presentation on the roles of ICSU, IAP and IAC was made to the National Members' Forum by Michael Clegg, Member of CSPR and Foreign Secretary of the US National Academy of Sciences. IAP is currently developing a Strategic Plan, and the Executive Director attended a meeting of the IAP Executive Committee immediately prior to the General Assembly.

8. The Secretariat will follow-up on the offer from TWAS to pay the subscription of National Members who cannot afford to pay.

9. The CSPR should discuss possibilities for implementing the recommendation that ICSU should identify indicators which would be of value in assessing the success of its initiatives with respect to strengthening science in developing countries.

**Decision:**
To request the CSPR to take these recommendations into account when developing an implementation plan for the ICSU Strategy.

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7. **ICSU 75th Anniversary**

The 91st meeting of the Executive Board had discussed a paper identifying options for how to mark, and make strategic use of, the 75th anniversary of the founding of ICSU (11 July 1931) and, more widely, the year in which the 75th anniversary fell (i.e., the whole of 2006). Following on from that discussion, and from the reactions of Members to the anniversary during the General Assembly, the EB was now invited to ask the Secretariat to move ahead with implementing the proposals set out in the paper, including seeking the requisite resources. The EB was further invited to select one of the options set out in paragraph 8 of the paper as the theme for the proposed autumn meeting.

The EB might also wish to appoint an Officer or EB Member as ‘product champion’ for the ICSU 75 campaign – i.e., someone who would have oversight of all ICSU 75 initiatives, who would help raise resources and who would understand the link between ICSU 75 and promoting the new strategic objectives.

**Decisions:**
To agree to move ahead with the proposals for the 75th anniversary, and in particular to plan for a year-long campaign using the anniversary to promulgate specific messages about ICSU;
- to adopt suitable branding;
- to organize two events if sufficient external funding can be received;
- to encourage ICSU Members to mark the anniversary in their own contexts with banners and to inform the Secretariat of their plans;
- to appoint Hernan Chaimovich as focal point for the preparations; and
- to request Hernan Chaimovich and the Secretariat to develop a proposal for an autumn meeting with strong involvement of young scientists.
8. Location of the ICSU Secretariat

The 88th meeting of the EB (February 2004) decided “to ask the Secretariat to report to the Board on the advisability of moving the Secretariat to another, more financially advantageous, location”. The 90th EB meeting decided “to ask the Executive Director to explore alternative possible homes for ICSU with Members as a matter of urgency”. Finally, at the 90th meeting (April 2005) the draft budgets for 2007-2009 assumed that the host country of the Secretariat would provide a special annual contribution of €500,000.

During all this time, the Officers and Secretariat had discussions with the French Academy of Sciences, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Ministry for Higher Education and Research and Technological Innovation. The understanding reached in recent months was that the Government of France would offer ICSU alternative office space in central Paris, that the Hotel de Noailles, where ICSU was currently located, would be sold, and the income from the sale would be used to give ICSU a subvention of €500,000 per year for at least ten years.

A letter had now been received from the Ministry of Higher Education and Research offering new office space for ICSU. However, the letter did not specify the financial contribution that ICSU would receive in return for moving from the current building. The view of the French Academy of Sciences was that ICSU would get the requested amount, but that there were still certain administrative matters that needed to be sorted out with the Ministry of Finance.

It was agreed that the ICSU Secretariat should not move until a firm commitment of financial support had been received. It was also noted that the budget for 2007-2009 approved by the GA included an annual income of €500,000 from the host country.

Decision:
To continue the discussions with the aim of making a final decision to accept the offer from France before the end of the year in order to prepare for moving the offices in 2006.

9. Budget

The Committee on Finance had recommended that the Executive Board base its financial discussions on a three-year rolling plan. Due to time constraints in preparing for the General Assembly, it had not been possible to implement this recommendation for this meeting of the Executive Board.

9.1 2005

The budget for 2005, and the situation at 31 August, was included for information only. It was expected that ICSU would receive an additional income from the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs of €50,000 to cover costs for the General Assembly.
9.2  2006

With the new rules for auditing, ICSU needed to adhere to the following time schedule:

- **28/02/2006** Closure of 2005 accounts (Cabinet Bardin and N. de Marchi)
- **March 2006** Committee on Finance considers audit report
- **1st 2 weeks of April** Executive Board takes decision to formally close the 2005 2006 accounts and approve the final adjusted budget for 2006 (in the presence of P. Godet, the *commissaire aux comptes*).
- **31/05/2006** Report from the *commissaire aux comptes* and consultation with EB/Officers
- **07/06/2006** Electronic consultation of Members on the audited accounts together with the report from the *commissaire aux comptes* and 2006 budget
- **21/06/2006** Deadline for Electronic General Assembly to approve the accounts and the 2006 budget

The EB would be asked to approve a revised budget at its meeting in April 2006. The current version was the one approved by the EB in April 2005. It had not been possible to provide an update for this meeting, but the 2006 budget should be reviewed by the Officers at their first meeting in early 2006.

9.3  2007-2009

The budget had been approved by the GA. The budget also assumed an annual subvention from France of €500,000.

**Decisions:**
To note the budgets for 2005, 2006 and 2007-2009; and to link the budget to items implemented in the Strategic plan including staff costs.

10.  **Membership Policy Committees 2006-2008**

10.1  **Committee on Scientific Planning and Review**

The Executive Board was responsible for appointing the Members of the Committee for Scientific Planning and Review, which was chaired by the Vice-President for Scientific Planning and Review. The President-Elect, Secretary-General and Executive Director are *ex officio* Members of the CSPR. The Committee coordinated the collection and development of proposals for major new scientific initiatives by ICSU and advised the EB on priorities for such initiatives. The CSPR also reviewed the activities carried out by the Scientific Interdisciplinary Bodies and advised the EB on the future course of these activities. (Rule of Procedure 11.1.a).
In order to ensure proper rotation, no CSPR Member should serve for more than a maximum of two periods of three years. The Secretariat had invited all National and Union Members to nominate persons for the CSPR. Requests for nominations had also been extended to the EB and current CSPR Members.

The outgoing EB discussed the nominations and had recommended a slate of names for consideration by the new EB. It was important that the composition had wide disciplinary and geographic coverage. It had also to be noted that the duties of the former Advisory Committee on the Environment (ACE) had been transferred to the CSPR, and the composition should reflect these additional duties.

**Decisions:**
To note that certain areas were still not covered;
- to ask EB Members to send their suggestions to the Secretariat by 28 October; and
- to ask G. Mehta, K. Mokhele and T. Rosswall to decide on the final composition of the CSPR for 2006-2008 (see Annex 2 for final list of Members of the CSPR).

10.2 **Policy Committee on Developing Countries**

The outgoing EB had discussed the composition of the PCDC, taking note of the fact that the Committee has met only twice so far. The current Members were appointed for 2004-2005.

**Decision:**
To reappoint the Members of the PCDC for 2006-2008

10.3 **Committee on Freedom and Responsibility in the Conduct of Science**

The outgoing EB recommended that the term for the current membership of the SCFCS be extended until 1 July 2006 and that the Members again be invited to propose membership of the new Committee. Decisions regarding the composition of the Committee would thus be made at the next meeting of the Executive Board.

**Decisions:**
To extend the mandate for the SCFCS until 1 July 2006; and
to request the Secretariat to provide CVs of nominations received and a proposed list of members for decision at the 93rd meeting of the EB.

10.4 **Committee on Finance**

The Committee on Finance was now a sub-committee of the EB as decided by the General Assembly.

**Decision:**
To ask the Officers to decide on the membership of the Committee on Finance for a three year period until the end of the 29th General Assembly.
11. Any Other Business

11.1 Representative of the Executive Board on the COSPAR Scientific Advisory Committee

COSPAR had invited the President to become a member of this newly established Committee in order to improve interactions between the two bodies. The President had declined but suggested that another Member of the Executive Board be appointed.

**Decision:**
To ask the Executive Director to make a proposal for decision by e.mail.

11.2 Statement on the teaching of evolution

The IAP was preparing a statement on the topic. The General Assembly had passed a resolution to the effect that ICSU should publish a statement on the same topic. It was suggested that the Executive Board consider co-signing the IAP statement after any modifications that it might wish to propose.

The Co-Chair of IAP had expressed an interest in having ICSU sign the statement. The final proposal from IAP was not yet available.

**Decisions:**
To agree in principle to co-sign a statement together with IAP subject to agreement of IAP and that any suggested changes proposed by the Executive Board be incorporated in the final statement; and
to agree to send any suggested changes to the Executive Director.

12. Dates and places of next meetings

The EB was expected to have two meetings in 2006. The first one should be during the first two weeks of April (see Agenda Item 9.2) and the second at the end of October or early November. The Officers should meet in January and late June and the CSPR in February and September.

**Decision (taken by e.mail after the meeting):**
To agree on the following dates for meetings in Paris:

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There being no further business, the President closed the meeting at 12:00 on 22 October 2005.

Annexes

Annex 1 Address list of Members of the Board and e.mail addresses of staff
Annex 2 List of Members of the CSPR
Annex 3 List of Follow-up Actions

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### 92nd MEETING OF EXECUTIVE BOARD

Suzhou, 22 October 2005

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10.2 Policy Committee on Developing Countries
Inform Members of reappointment for 2006-2008 TR/MB

10.3 Committee on Freedom and Responsibility in the Conduct of Science
Inform Members SCFCS of GA decision on new Committee and SCFCS mandate extended until 1 July 2006 PW/PS
Seek further nominations for new Committee CS/MB Done
Put appointment of membership of new Committee on 93EB Agenda TBF

10.4 Committee on Finance
Consult Officers as to membership of CF TR Done

11.1 Representative of the Executive Board on the COSPAR Scientific Advisory Committee
Propose representative for approval by EB by e.mail TR

11.2 Statement on the teaching of evolution
Consult ,with IAP TR Done