



IRSA General Assembly 2016

28th November, 2015

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Step 1: Call for nominations to the Executive Committee positions and submissions of motions

Dear IRSA Member,

As the nominated representative of your association you will be receiving information and reminders at each step on the way to the April 2016 General Assembly. Please pass them on to the executive within your association for their consideration.

All communications (nominations, motions etc.) are to be sent to the Acting General Secretary, Selwyn Holland at: selwyn.holland@gmail.com

The purpose of Step 1 is to:

1. Publish the General Assembly Timeline for you
2. Ask for nominations to the Executive Committee of the IRSA (**due 20th February**)
3. Ask for any submissions of motions that your association wants to be brought to the General Assembly Agenda (**due 20th January**)

Following is extra information on the above points:

1. 2016 General Assembly Timeline

1. 28th November 2015: Call for nominations to the Executive Committee positions and submissions of motions (20 weeks out)
2. 23rd January 2016: Final date for motions (12 weeks out). Disperse to members for consideration.
3. 20th February 2016: Final date for Executive Committee nominations (8 weeks out).
4. 5th March 2016: Last chance for amendments (6 weeks out)
5. 19th March 2016: Final Agenda published (4 weeks out)
6. **Saturday 16th April 2016: GA starts**
7. 11th June 2016: Minutes of meeting published (+8 weeks)
8. 9th July 2016: Closing date for comment and approval of minutes (+12 weeks).

2. Executive Positions up for nominations

The Executive Committee shall consist of the officers who are:

- (i) The Chairman
- (ii) The Vice Chairman
- (iii) The General Secretary

- (iv) The Treasurer
- (v) The Chairman of the Racing Committee.
- (vi) The Chairman of the Technical Committee.
- (vii) The Chairman of the Organisation and Policy Committee.
- (viii) The Publicity Officer.
- (ix) The Regional Officers for Europe, the Americas and Oceania

Please note:

The position of Treasurer is an urgent need and was vacant in the current Executive. It is intended to evolve the role more towards one of association business and finance development.

Executive Committee nominees need to:

- a. Be nominated by a Designated National Member signed by a senior officer.
- b. Include a description of "Commercial Interests" in radio yachting signed by the nominee if there is an interest. If there is no interest, then a signed "No Commercial Interest" statement will be fine. This will be published.
- c. A short profile of the nominee. This should focus on their background and skills related to the sport of sailing and in particular their nominated position. This will be published.
- d. Confirm that they can send and receive email (and must be capable of participating in online forums).

3. Submissions of Motions

Motions for a General Assembly shall be signed by a Senior Officer on behalf of a National Member and shall reach the General Secretary not later than 12 (twelve) weeks prior to the General Assembly. All motions shall be sent to all Members by the General Secretary within the following 2 (weeks) weeks.

Regards

Selwyn Holland

(Acting General Secretary, IRSA)