

## Proposal for transition to staggered ISC Governing Board terms of office

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Given that:

1. The ISC membership has expressed support for the mandates of the Governing Board to become staggered in the interest of ensuring continuity;
2. Ordinary sessions of the General Assembly, subject to approval of the membership at the extraordinary General Assembly in February 2024, should in the future be held at four-year intervals;
3. The next ordinary session of the General Assembly is scheduled for January 2025, but subsequently the ordinary sessions of the General Assembly should revert to an October date, starting in October 2028;
4. There is currently no president-elect;

The Working Group on Constitutional Revision proposed two main and viable avenues for transitioning to a staggered Governing Board arrangement; one starting with an entirely new Governing Board in January 2025 and one retaining half the current Governing Board until October 2026.

Consultation with Members on the two options has shown that most Members prefer a transition that provides continuity with the current Governing Board.

**The Governing Board therefore asks the General Assembly to approve the following proposal, noting that all future elections will take place in accordance with the revised Statutes and Rules of Procedure, providing that these are adopted by the General Assembly in February 2024:**

**Half of the officers and half of the ordinary members of the current Governing Board will step down in January 2025, with the other half, including the current president, continuing until October 2026.**

A president-elect will be elected in January 2025 and take office as president in October 2026.

Two officers (vice-presidents) and five ordinary Board members will be elected in January 2025 and remain in office until October 2028.

Two vice-presidents and five ordinary members will be elected *and* take office in October 2026.

Furthermore:

- The Nominations and Elections Committee will decide which Governing Board members should be invited to stay on until October 2026.
- Under these exceptional circumstances and respecting the clause above, Governing Board members already in their second term (and therefore not eligible for a third term) may be considered eligible for an additional two years.