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# **CONSULTATION REGARDING THE UPDATE OF THE IHP STATUTES AND RULES OF PROCEDURE OF THE IHP COUNCIL**

Item 3.3 of the provisional agenda

### Summary

This document presents the results of the consultation regarding the extension of terms of the IHP Chair and Vice Chairs.

## CONSULTATION REGARDING THE TERMS OF THE IHP CHAIR AND VICE CHAIRS

Country	Reply <sup>1</sup>	
	Yes <sup>2</sup>	No <sup>3</sup>
<b>Group I</b>		
United Kingdom		✓
Switzerland	✓	
Germany		✓
Netherlands		✓
Sweden		✓
Turkey		✓
Greece	unanswered	
Italy	✓	
Belgium	✓	
United States		✓
Norway		✓
Finland	✓	
Denmark		✓
Ireland		✓
Austria	✓	
<b>Group II</b>		
Poland	✓	
Slovenia		✓
Azerbaijan	unanswered	
Russian Federation	unanswered	
Czech Republic		✓
Ukraine	✓	
Slovakia		✓
Lithuania		✓
<b>Group III</b>		
Mexico	✓	
Venezuela	✓	
Chile	unanswered	
Dominican Republic	unanswered	
Haiti	unanswered	
Uruguay	unanswered	
Brazil	unanswered	
<b>Group IV</b>		
Australia		✓
Japan	✓	
Mongolia		✓
China		✓
Republic of Korea		✓
Indonesia		✓
Kyrgyzstan	✓	
Pakistan	unanswered	
Brunei Darussalam		✓

<sup>1</sup> Answer to the question: "Do you agree that the term of office of the Chairperson and Vice-Chairpersons is increased from the current two years into four years?"

<sup>2</sup> "Yes, I agree with the increase of the term of office into four years"

<sup>3</sup> "No, the term of office should remain as two years"

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Country	Reply <sup>4</sup>	
	Yes <sup>5</sup>	No <sup>6</sup>
<b>Group IV</b>		
Nepal	✓	
New Zealand		✓
Malaysia		✓
Papua New Guinea		✓
Philippines		✓
Thailand		✓
Vietnam		✓
<b>Group Va</b>		
Burkina Faso	✓	
Côte d'Ivoire	✓	
Madagascar	✓	
Namibia	✓	
Kenya	unanswered	
Mali	unanswered	
Swaziland	✓	
Zimbabwe	✓	
Rwanda	✓	
Togo	✓	
Zambia		✓
Mozambique	✓	
Ethiopia	✓	
Benin	✓	
Republic of Seychelles	✓	
<b>Group Vb</b>		
Egypt		✓
Oman	✓	
Sudan		✓
Kuwait	unanswered	
Syrian Arab Republic	unanswered	
Yemen	unanswered	
Lebanon	✓	
Jordan		✓
Libya	✓	

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Electoral Group	Number of answers	Yes	No
Group I	14	5	9
Group II	6	2	4
Group III	2	2	0
Group IV	15	3	12
Group Va	13	12	1
Group Vb	6	3	3
Total	56	27	29

### Summary:

- ✓ 48% of total replies: YES
- ✓ 52% of total replies: NO

IHP Intergovernmental Council (IGC) Member States*				
Electoral Group	Replies received (% of IGC membership)	Yes (% total replies received)	No (% total replies received)	Unanswered
Group I	6 (86)	1 (17)	5 (83)	1
Group II	2 (50)	1 (50)	1 (50)	2
Group III	1 (17)	1 (100)	0 (0)	5
Group IV	6 (86)	1 (20)	5 (80)	1
Group Va	4 (67)	4 (100)	0 (0)	2
Group Vb	3 (50)	1 (33)	2 (67)	3
Total	22 (58%)	9 (41%)	13 (59%)	14

- ✓ 34 replies received from nonmembers of the Intergovernmental Council of IHP

### Some considerations:

- ✓ Belgium: Yes (individual reply) // No (reply as a group): We considered Yes (first response)
- ✓ Japan: Yes (individual reply) // No (reply as a group): We considered Yes (first response)

\* IHP Intergovernmental Council (IGC) Member States before to elections held in 38<sup>th</sup> UNESCO General Conference (Paris, November 2015)