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Procédure pour l'élection du Président
et des Vice-Présidents du CIML



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1 Provisions of the Convention

Article XIII

The Committee shall consist of a representative of each of the Member States of the Organisation. These representatives are designated by their Country's Government. They shall be serving officials in the department concerned with measuring instruments or have active official functions in the field of legal metrology.

They shall cease to be Members of the Committee as soon as they cease to satisfy the above conditions, and it shall then be incumbent on the Governments concerned to designate their successors.

Article XV

The Committee shall select from among its Members a President, and a first and a second Vice-President who shall be elected for a period of six years and shall be eligible for re-election. However, should their mandate expire in the interval between two sessions, it shall automatically be extended until the second of these sessions.

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In the event of the absence, impediment, cessation of mandate, resignation or death of the President, his duties shall be temporarily assumed by the first Vice-President.

2 Candidacies

Candidates shall be CIML Members and shall therefore fulfil the conditions in Article XIII of the Convention.

Candidates are asked to notify their candidacy to the Bureau. All candidacies shall be accompanied by a CV, and, for the election of a CIML President, by a written letter of motivation. These notifications shall be sent to the Bureau at least four months before the CIML Meeting at which the election will take place. Candidacies are closed after this deadline and the Bureau will send the list, together with the attached documents, to all CIML Members.

If no CIML Members have declared their candidacy by the above mentioned date, the CIML President will make a proposal at the CIML Meeting

3 Procedure for the election

During the CIML Meeting, the candidates will give a short presentation of their candidacy. The election is then processed, by secret ballots, as follows:

- As long as there are two candidates or more:
 - CIML Members vote for one of the candidates, and the candidate who obtained the smallest number of votes is eliminated;
 - In case two candidates share the lowest number of votes, the candidate who was most recently appointed CIML Member is eliminated;

- If there is only one candidate or when only one candidate remains, CIML Members vote “yes” or “abstention” and the candidate is elected if he/she obtains a number of “yes” votes greater or equal to 50 % of the number of OIML Member States.
- In case the remaining candidate has not obtained the required 50 % majority:
 - For the election of the President, the First Vice-President becomes Acting President until the next CIML Meeting, at which time a new election is organized;
 - For the election of a Vice-President, the position shall remain vacant until the next CIML Meeting, at which time a new election is organized.

4 Termination of the mandate of the President and Vice-Presidents

Should the mandate of the President or Vice-Presidents as CIML Member expire between two sessions of the Committee, their mandate shall be extended until the next CIML Meeting. The same applies to their CIML Member mandate.

If the expiry of the mandate of the President or Vice-Presidents as CIML Member is known by the Bureau at least eight months before the next CIML Meeting, the President and the Bureau will immediately inform all CIML Members and cast a call for candidates so that an election may be organized at the following CIML Meeting.

If this delay cannot be respected, the position shall be vacant after the following CIML Meeting, and the election shall be organized for the next CIML Meeting. If the position of President is vacant, according to Article XV of the Convention, his or her duties shall be temporarily taken on by the CIML First Vice-President until the election of a new President.