



RECORD OF DECISIONS
ISTC 51 Governing Board Meeting
Moscow
14 July 2010

The ISTC Governing Board at its 51st meeting took the following decisions:

1. Executive Staff Issues

The Governing Board designated Mr. Victor Alessi as alternate Chairperson for the period of the meeting due to the unavailability of the Chairman in office, Mr. Ron Lehman.

The Governing Board welcomed Mr. Marcus Cornaro as new Board Member of ISTC on behalf of EU. The Board thanked Mrs. Anneli Pauli for her valuable contribution to the work of ISTC.

The Board also welcomed H.E. Mr. Guy Trouveroy, Ambassador as representative of Belgium being the current EU presidency.

The Governing Board approved the extension of the contract of Leo Owsiacki, Deputy Executive Director on behalf of Canada for two years.

The Governing Board approved the extension of the contract of Wacław Gudowski, Deputy Executive Director on behalf of the EU for 6 months.

The Governing Board welcomed the new Deputy Executive Director, Mr. Yasumasa Watanabe, on behalf of Japan and thanked Mr. Yasuhiro Yukimatsu for his valuable contribution to the work of the ISTC Secretariat during his two-year tenure.

The salary increase for CIS and Georgian staff per 1 January 2010 was fixed at 9.8 % in accordance with earlier Governing Board decisions on the methodology to be used in such cases.

The Governing Board was given a summary report of the ISTC management study by a consulting company and tasked the ED to report back to the CEC meeting in October on the respective recommendations.

2. GB 50 Meeting Report (GB-50-101)

The Governing Board approved the Meeting Report of the 50th meeting.

3. Interim Report from the ISTC Working Party on the future of ISTC (GB-51-102/rev2/ 103)

In accordance with the decision of the Governing Board 50, a Working Party met in March and May 2010 in Moscow.

The Governing Board thanked the ISTC Working Party for submitting an interim report on the future of multilateral scientific and technological cooperation. The content of the interim report and

its recommendations were endorsed by the Governing Board. As a next step the Chairman of the Governing Board will submit the enumerated conclusions to the parties.

The Governing Board asked the Working Party, together with the Secretariat, to continue its work as soon as possible and to prepare, prior to the next Governing Board meeting, a final report, including proposals for detailed implementation of the conclusions of the interim report, including possible amendment of the 1992 Agreement. The Working Party that will meet again during the last week in August will also include 3 representatives of countries of the CIS and Georgia including one each from Europe, Central Asia and the Caucasus.

4. ISTC Targeted initiatives (GB-51-104, 105,106)

- Overview

At present six targeted initiatives are under implementation at ISTC: fuel cell, new medicines, probiotics, law enforcement, ultra-high intensity light science and technologies as well as related to the scientific and technological support in the prevention of biological threats.

Some of the Steering Committees met recently to begin implementation of the various targeted initiatives and to prepare call for proposals.

The Governing Board complimented the Secretariat with the progress made in the realization of the targeted initiatives. The Secretariat was asked to continue to take further steps to identify additional funding for this work.

- Targeted Initiative on Scientific and Technical Support against the Illicit Trafficking of Nuclear and Radioactive Materials (GB-51-105-rev1)

The current nuclear renaissance aimed at satisfying increased electricity demands worldwide as well as the aim to promote low-carbon (green) companies poses new challenges in particular with respect to the movement of nuclear and radioactive materials.

Scientific and technical support is needed to be able to adequately deal with such new risks and threats.

The Governing Board directed the Secretariat to take initiative in this field given the available know-how and expertise at various institutes located in Russia and other CIS countries and in Georgia.

The Governing Board has approved this new Targeted Initiative to mobilize relevant expertise in a focused way and to promote international cooperation in this matter, but only with respect to those countries that have provided support letters of interest to participate in this Targeted Initiative.

In particular this means scientific and technical support for:

- methods for detection of nuclear and radioactive materials;
- development and improvement of technologies for detection;
- methods and the development of technologies for safer transportation.

This list can be extended and include remarks and comments from the ISTC's Funding Parties, Partners and potential recipients.

- Targeted Initiative “Technical Support for IAEA Advanced Safeguard and Verification Development Program”

With technological progress and geographical expansion of nuclear activities, the international safeguard program of the IAEA will need to be prepared to safeguard new, more advanced and larger scale nuclear fuel cycle facilities. Scientific and technological progress will have to assist to improve safeguard related information and detection capabilities, as well as provide further opportunities for both improved and more effective safeguards implementation.

The Governing Board has approved a new Targeted Initiative “Technical Support for IAEA Advanced Safeguard and Verification Development Program” to mobilize relevant expertise in a focused way and to promote international cooperation in this matter.

In particular this means:

- research and development of advanced safeguards and verification techniques;
- assistance in training and capacity building;
- assistance in the development and deployment of nuclear instrumentation.

5. Sustainability planning (GB-51-107/ 108)

- Overview

A number of sustainability plans are under preparation and implementation at various institutes in Russia and in the other countries of the CIS and Georgia.

The Governing Board expressed its satisfaction on the progress made in this work during the last six months and will be informed at the next meeting on further results. It asked the Secretariat to contact other institutes in order to prepare plans under the revised general guidelines for sustainability planning as decided in December 2009.

- Sustainability Plan: Yerevan Physics Institute, Yerevan

The Governing Board approved the sustainability plan at the Yerevan Physics Institute, Yerevan Armenia.

The Governing Board mandated the Secretariat to further develop projects for support for the critical elements of the modernization plan for the institute as identified in the sustainability plan. At first instance this relates to the issues of 1) applying for registration, licensing and certification of the facility and processes and 2) market studies and assessments for the products and services to be offered.

6. ISTC Technologies Outreach (GB-51-109)

The Governing Board noted the importance to contribute to the policy of innovation in Russia and in the other CIS countries and Georgia. The ISTC partner and commercialization program have already contributed to these objectives. In addition the Governing Board endorsed a new technologies outreach approach actively promoting the commercialization of new technologies as a result of ISTC funded projects. This concept has been tested on a pilot basis during two technology promoting meetings. A new series of events for example in Kazakhstan are planned to offer to potential investors or corporate partners the possibility to commercialize existing market ready or near market innovations. Specific opportunity briefs will be developed for potential investors.

7. Proposal to receive assets from INTAS Liquidation (GB-51-204)

The Governing Board expressed its gratitude toward the General Assembly of INTAS that has decided to provide a donation to ISTC/STCU. It has decided that the ISTC part of the total funds from INTAS will be allocated to the ISTC Targeted Initiative on the Prevention of Biological Threats. The ED is mandated to make minor financial and administrative modifications to existing ISTC procedures in order to accommodate this donation, as necessary, and will report on the matter to the next Governing Board.

8. Approval of results of a tender on external auditors for ISTC (2011-2012) (GB-51-205)

The Governing Board approved Moore Stephens as the auditor to conduct the annual audit of the Center's expenditures and related financial activities for the fiscal years 2010 and 2011.

9. Retrieval of equipment under a commercialization project (GB-51-206)

The Governing Board directed the Secretariat to consider various possibilities in order to fulfill the original aim of commercialization project CI-085 in Volgograd. The Governing Board directed the Secretariat to pursue all possible options for the appropriate use and/or disposition of the relevant equipment, including its possible sale. If necessary in order to preserve the quality of the equipment, contingency funds from the 2010 ISTC budget can be used to disposition the equipment.

10. Bio-safety (GB-51-207)

The Governing Board mandated the ISTC Executive Director to make minor financial and administrative modifications to ISTC policies and procedures in order to implement an EC project. The minor financial and administrative amendments will be circulated beforehand to the relevant party in the CIS and Georgia. The Executive Director shall provide status updates to the Governing Board regarding project implementation at future Governing Board meetings.

11. ISTC Meeting schedule 2010 (GB-51-111)

The meeting schedule for the remainder of 2010 was adopted.

12. Project Funding (GB-51-202)

The Governing Board thanked the Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC) for the valuable advice given on the various project proposals submitted to the Governing Board.

Canada informed the Governing Board that it has requested ISTC to establish a new CSP (Communications Support Program) Canada-only Supplementary Budget in order to allow it to initiate new unplanned work in Kyrgyzstan this year using the same Terms of Reference. Canada intends to immediately contribute funds to allow this work to proceed expeditiously.

The Governing Board approved the final Project Funding Worksheet (FS51). The ISTC approved 7 new projects representing 1,417,040 USD and 640,241 Euro in new funding for activities in Russia, Armenia, Belarus, Kyrgyz Republic and Tajikistan.

The Governing Board set a deadline of 9 September 2010 for the submission of project proposals for consideration at the next Funding Session (FS52).

Per 1 June 2010 from the total currently implemented projects, 69% is being carried out in the Russian Federation and 31% in the other CIS countries and Georgia. Per 1 June 2010 the total committed funds for the ongoing projects are 239.9 million USD of which 117.1 million USD for regular projects and 122.8 million USD for partner projects. During 2009 and 2010 5 months (1st quarter) more than 16 million USD in new partner funding has been received.

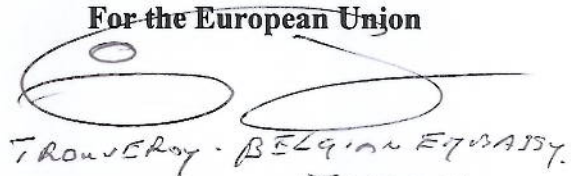
13. Time and Place for the next Governing Board Meeting

The Governing Board agreed to convene the next Plenary Session on 9 December 2010 in Moscow.



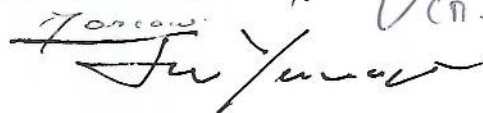
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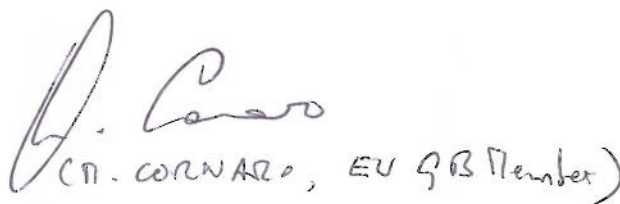


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