

ICRANet Scientific Committee
Eight Meeting
June 12th, 2013

The meeting starts at 1:30 pm of the 12th of June 2013 in the ICRANet Headquarter in Pescara (Italy). The following members are present:

Felix Aharonian (Representative of Armenia)
Carlo Luciano Bianco (Representative of ICRA)
João Braga (Representative of Brazil)
Massimo Della Valle (Representative of Italy)
Gabriele Gionti (Representative of the Vatican State)
Robert Williams with proxy of David Arnett (Representative of Arizona University)
Remo Ruffini (Director of ICRANet)

The following Members are absent but justified:
John Mester (Representative of Stanford University)

The meeting is chaired by the Director, who is also taking the minutes.

Since Prof. Riccardo Giacconi expired as President of the Scientific Committee last year, following art 10 of the ICRANet Statute the Scientific Committee must elect a new President for the next three years.

After an ample discussion, the Scientific Committee unanimously (with the only abstention of Prof. João Braga) elects Prof. João Braga as the new President of the Scientific Committee for the next three years.

Prof. João Braga starts now to chair the meeting, and the minutes are taken by the Director.

The new President of the Scientific Committee, Prof. João Braga, and the entire Scientific Committee unanimously express their profound gratitude to Prof. Giacconi for his leading role in guiding the activities of the Scientific Committee for two full mandates.

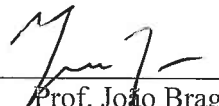
In view of the fundamental contribution of Prof. Giacconi to the creation of ICRANet, the Scientific Committee unanimously proposes to the ICRANet Board to create a "Panel of Honorary Advisors of ICRANet" and to ask Prof. Giacconi to be the first Member of this Panel. The Director will report this proposal in the next Meeting of the ICRANet Board.

After an ample discussion, the Scientific Committee unanimously (with the only abstention of Prof. Massimo Della Valle) decides to appoint Prof. Massimo Della Valle as Vice President of the Scientific Committee.

The Director presents the new format of the meetings of the Scientific Committee: to have three weeks of interaction with the different graduate students and research groups, instead of a short meeting of two days. The Scientific Committee unanimously approves.

It is then proposed to have anyway a small meeting in November or December to review all the research material. The Scientific Committee unanimously approves, and the precise date of such a meeting will be decided via e-mail.

The meeting ends at 3:00 pm after the reading and unanimous approval of this report.



Prof. João Braga
President of the ICRANet Scientific Committee