

# Proposal to Create a New Scientific Advisory Board

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# New Scientific Advisory Board (SAB)

- 2-year AB members' scientific expertise and institutional affiliation are not (fully) utilized at present.
- It is proposed they become members of a new SAB instead of the AB.
- Members and Chair of the SAB will be appointed by the Board for a biennium in consultation with the Conference Chair.

## *...New Scientific Advisory Board*

- The SAB can/will assist
  - (a) The ISC on technical contents of the Conference: panels, workshops, etc., and
  - (b) The Board in scientific matters, such as early career development.
- SAB meetings will be held during the Planning Session and Conference.
- SAB will be invited to the Board meeting as needed.

# The Advisory Board (AB)

- The AB, after the creation of the SAB, will consist of only *Permanent* Advisory Board Members.
- Most of those are former SMiRT Chairs/ IASMiRT Presidents, a few are elected by the Board.
- After the change, the qualifier “*permanent*” will become redundant.

## *...Advisory Board*

- AB members are a repository of IASMiRT's institutional history, and have experience that is valuable to the Board.
- AB members participate in Board deliberations and meetings, but do not vote.
- AB members presently receive fixed travel support for Board meetings during the Planning Session and Conference, and none for the January/February meeting.

# Proposed Actions

- Board asked the Committee to prepare a proposal toward these changes at the 2017 August meetings.
- Board should draft appropriate changes in the Bylaws and vote on them as amendments before the 2018 October meeting.
- The amendments should be presented to the General Assembly for execution during the same meeting.