

To the Voting Members of the
International Ombudsman Institute (IOI)

Vienna, 17 February 2020

RE: IOI Officer Elections – Election Results

For the first time in the history of our organization, the President, the 1st and 2nd Vice-President and the Treasurer of the IOI were elected by universal suffrage in a ballot carried out by electronic means.

A total of 170 Voting members were entitled to vote (i.e. had paid up membership fees until 2018/2019) and I am pleased to report that a gratifyingly high number of them (62%) participated in the electronic ballot carried out by the General Secretariat.

Four candidates stood for election: Mr Chris Field (Australia) for the position of IOI President; Mr Viddhavat Rajatanun (Thailand) and Ms Diane Welborn (USA) for the position of IOI Vice-President, and Ms Caroline Sokoni (Zambia) for the position of IOI Treasurer.

The deadline for voting ended on Friday, 7 February 2020, and the election results are as follows (for details see Annex I):

President:	Mr Chris FIELD	94% (100 votes in favour)
1st Vice-President:	Mr Viddhavat RAJATANUN	69% (69 votes in favour)
2nd Vice-President:	Ms Diane WELBORN	68% (68 votes in favour)
Treasurer:	Ms Caroline SOKONI	97% (102 votes in favour)

I would like to thank our colleagues for their interest to stand for election and the IOI membership for participating so actively in this first election of IOI officers by universal suffrage.

On behalf of the IOI Board of Directors I would like to congratulate Mr Field, Mr Rajatanun, Ms Welborn and Ms Sokoni on the clear vote of confidence they all received in support of their candidacy.

I am looking forward to working with the newly elected IOI Officers, once they have taken office at the inaugural meeting of the new IOI Board of Directors in Dublin in May 2020.

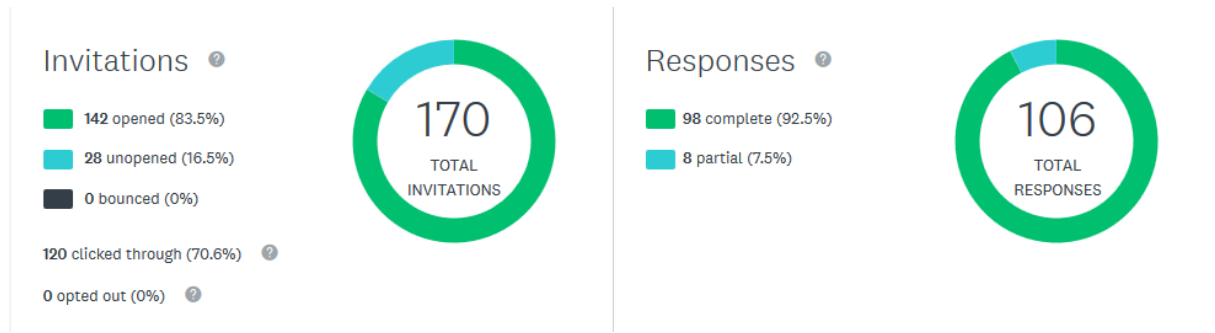
Yours sincerely,



Werner Amon
IOI Secretary General

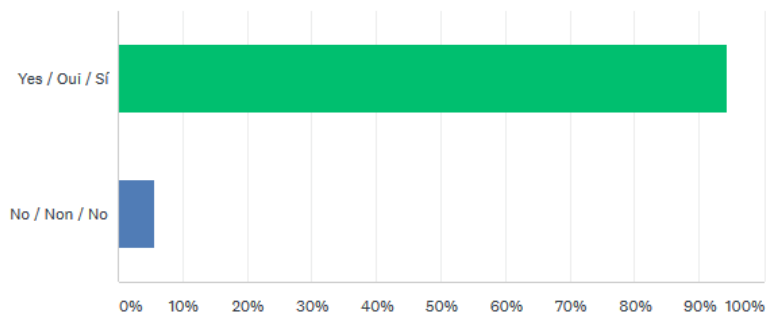
Annex I: Overview – Election Results

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I vote in favour of Mr Field as IOI President. Je vote en faveur de M Field comme Président de l'IIO. Voto en favor del Señor Field como Presidente del IIO.

Answered: 106 Skipped: 0



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES
Yes / Oui / Sí	94.34% 100
No / Non / No	5.66% 6
Total Respondents: 106	