Update on procedures for the nomination and election of NWWAC Positions (2014-2017)

North Western Waters Advisory Council Executive Committee Meeting Edinburgh, 3rd July 2014

President of the General Assembly (Art. 39)

- Term of office: 3 years (renewable)
- Call of interest for nominations;
- Open to all members of the General Assembly;
- Must be nominated and seconded by another member;
- Deadline for nominations: 1st of September 2014;
- Decision to be adopted at the next GA meeting:
 - Dublin Castle, 17th September 2014

Chairperson - Executive Committee (Art 40)

Term of office : 3 years (renewable);

Current term ends on the 30th September, 2014.

• Two **options**:

- 1) No contract for services (i.e. No Fees) : Candidates to be nominated and elected directly by the Executive Committee without payment for services;
- 2) Fixed-term contract for services: Tender procedure to be launched in compliance with Commission rules.

A decision is required on the preferred option.

Chairperson (Executive Committee)

Timeframe:

- 1) Call of interest for applications:
 - Open to all the members of the General Assembly
 - Deadline: 1st of September 2014.

2) No fees:	Decision to be made at the Executive Committee, meeting in Dublin (17 th September 2014);
3) Tender procedure:	Evaluation Committee's decision to revert to the Executive Committee for endorsement;

4) New Chairman announced to the General Assembly.

Chairperson (Executive Committee)

Tender procedure:

Evaluation Committee to be appointed by the Ex.Com.

- Composition: 3-5 members and the Secretariat as observers;
- Main duties:
 - Check eligibility criteria and assess costs;
 - Assess and rank candidates;
 - Make a formal proposal to the Executive Committee.
- The Secretariat will provide tender specifications.

Vice-Chairperson and Rapporteur -Executive Committee

Rules of Procedure

Vice-Chairperson/s (Article 41)

- To be appointed every 3 years by Executive Committee members;
- Shall be a member of the Executive Committe and have a vote.

Rapporteur (Article 43)

- To be appointed annually by members of the Executive Committee;
- Does **not** need to be an Executive Committee Member.
- The Secretariat currently performs this role.

Executive Committee members

- Appointed by the General Assembly (Article 25);
- Term of office: 3 years (renewable);
- Currently 24 Members (this might change following the adoption of the delegated act)
 - 14 Fisheries sector (c.60%; actual 58.33%);
 - 10 Other groups of interest (c.40%; actual 41.67%).
- Procedure:
 - Open call of interest to all members;
 - Organizations to be nominated, **not** individuals;
 - A vote will be undertaken if number of nominations exceeds those of seats;
 - Decision to be taken at the General Assembly in September 2014;
 - Nominations to the Secretariat by 1st of September 2014.

Sub-regional Working Groups

- The Chairperson and other officers of sub-regional Working Groups will be elected by their members;
- Currently, there is a term of office of 3 years for the officers of sub-area Working Groups ending on the 30th of September 2014;
- Positions to be elected at the forthcoming NWWAC Working Groups (NWWAC Year 10)

Secretariat (Arts 42 and 44)

- Board Iascaigh Mhara (BIM) has been the host of the NWWAC Secretariat in Dublin since its establishment, and it has provided all necessary resources and logistics for its functioning (e.g. equipment, accounts, payroll, legal and financial advice).
- BIM would be willing to host the Secretariat for a further 3-year period.
- Procedure:
 - Call of interest open to members and Member States;
 - Executive Committee to evaluate the applications received and adopt a formal decision;
 - Secretariat announced to the General Assembly.

THANK YOU

ANY QUESTIONS?



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