

Open Modeling Foundation Executive Committee Meeting

Date/Time: Thursday, December 15, 2022, 8-9 AM (GMT-7)

Attendees: Michael Barton, Laura Swantek, Min Chen, Chris Erdmann, Allen lee, Volker Grimm, Manuela Vanegas Ferro, Karin Frank, Bert Jagers

Not in Attendance: Takuya Iwanaga, Junzhi Liu

Agenda

- Funding
 - Sloan grant received (\$400,000 US). Need discussion on how to allocate funds
 - NSF possibilities. Discussion with program officer
 - FAIR OS- dinged on something we didn't include because we weren't supposed to include
 - Another program Michael talked to someone at NSF about- he says there is a little known program that will need 2 program officers to support it (Geosciences)
 - We write another proposal focusing on certain things
 - Reviewed internally once 2 program officers are found to support it
 - Limit: usually don't fund more than \$1 million
 - Looking for someone to review now, so we should consider writing to fund things that Sloan won't fund
 - For the spring
- Members Council meeting planning
 - Decide on date and Members Council communication
 - Week of March 5 (not start on Monday because of Michael's schedule), start on Tuesday or Wednesday
 - What days work best for the meeting:
 - Karin- Wednesday, Thursday
 - Karin- who would like to attend virtually and in-person?
 - Michael- Laura will send out email to members council about who will be attending in person or virtually; Sloan money: 7 members council representatives; Early career scholars 7 \$1000 scholarships;
 - Some travel supplements available for who will need them, but then we need to decide how this will get allocated
 - Karin- regular members will be paying for themselves
 - Min- March is a busy time for him and other researchers in China
 - Decide on possible workshop
 - Karin- postpone workshop until later in the year, need more clarity about our goals and terms. Use time in Leipzig for discussions by Executive Committee

- Michael- 2nd day, to include broader representatives to talk about these issues
 - Karin- outreach to own members and solicit their opinions (external workshop)
 - Michael- longer members council meeting to address some issues (website, messaging, etc.)
 - Discuss funding
 - Think about how we make money available in the most worthwhile way to support people who wouldn't be able to attend otherwise- global diversification
 - How will we allocate money?
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 - Karin- regular members will be paying for themselves
 - Working group co-chairs will also be eligible for money to travel to conference
 - Will need to start thinking about how to use this money early in January
- Working Group co-chair nominations
 - Serena Hamilton (standards): bio received
 - Andrew Bell (standards):
 - Sandra Gesing (certification):
 - Iestyn Woolway (education): bio received
 - Jazmin Salazar (early career):
 - Cyberinfrastructure co-chair? Allen would like one, any suggestions?
 - With EC approval, these will be sent to MC
 - Approve slate of nominees today and then we will send out the vote to the members council
 - Asked Executive Committee for approval: no objections raised
- OMF forum plans (Junzhi Liu)
 - Need to send out email
 - Text of email:

Dear colleagues,

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Council meeting as hybrid, in formal meeting and with people joining remotely.

We now need a list of potential speakers for this series of high-level forums, and we would greatly appreciate your recommendations.

- Consistency in OMF messaging (Bert Jagers)
 - Website consistency
 - SGCI consultation: help scientific organizations build better websites
 - Consultation at no cost with suggestions for improvement
 - Consultation should be with a group of us to help
 - Co-chair with Allen for Cyberinfrastructure, then we can start moving forward with this
 - Need to get group together, and identifying the timeline
 - Volker will be involved and Standards group as we move forward, but should also need someone who is familiar with FAIR and our new FAIR+ idea (Bert?)
 - Bert: what we want to achieve, standardize, value, appreciate those following certain rules (recognition), distinguish ourselves from other initiatives that look similar at first glance
 - Michael will set up meeting with SGCI
 - Volker to contact <https://www.incf.org/resources/working-groups> and set up a meeting on content of website - Allen, Michael, Bert
 - Cyberinfrastructure support
 - Volker: We could learn About Setting up Website and WG etc. from this Network. One person there registered, but left that Institute, so I contacted her colleague, Mathew Abrams, they are mainly from Sweden, Karolinska Institute:
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 - Standardizing or clarifying Charter language
 - Website layout and content update
 - Michael- happy to work on content, but Standards group should take lead
 - Volker- agreed to work on
 - Allen- should we be aligned with FAIR or our own terminology? FAIR+
 - Involving Standards Working Group in defining terminology
 - Interfacing with other organizations (e.g., GoFair and FAIR4RS)
 - Other approaches and needs?
- Communicating with public (e.g., OIIT email)
 - Michael has written back to OIIT

- Making people inclusively part (more examples on website) of the process instead of outsiders
 - Should consult other members of OMF/Exec Committee before responding to some of these emails in the future
- Working Group reports
 - Early Career Scholars (Takuya cannot attend)
 - The ECS Working Group had its first meeting (5 attendees + Junzhi who kindly attended as well). This was more a general get together to start having a conversation for 2023.
 - We plan to continue discussions online (on Discord for now) with a view to meet again late Jan/early Feb.
 - I also passed some of the general news from previous Committee meetings including the meeting in Leipzig and general words on OMF funding situation
 - Three were interested in attending the meeting in Leipzig, all based in Europe.
 - There was a general consensus to write a group paper on model reproducibility issues from the perspective of ECSs.
 - On reproducibility in general, I also think this would be a good Special Issue topic for SESMO or EMS
 - Keen to hear if there is any support for this within the ExecCom.
- Other business
 - Volker needs to make new people register for Standards WG

Next meeting: discuss how to spend the money!

Chat:

08:13:03 From Chris Erdmann To Everyone:

That would be great to postpone to the late spring/summer

08:20:03 From Volker Grimm To Everyone:

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08:27:37 From Chris Erdmann To Everyone:

Thanks!

08:31:20 From Chris Erdmann To Everyone:

OK I will ask Sandra

08:32:37 From Chris Erdmann To Everyone:

Where is the list Laura?

08:32:54 From Laura Swantek To Everyone:

Chris, it is in the agenda

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1V5QaApN_NGH3HGWtUgPzphJQ0ku01mojfKyikjvrMfY/edit

08:33:15 From Chris Erdmann To Everyone:

Thanks!

08:34:31 From Laura Swantek To Everyone:

From Junzhi: Dear colleagues,

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08:37:21 From Chris Erdmann To Everyone:

I'm biased but +1 to Science Gateways 😊

08:54:32 From Chris Erdmann To Everyone:

My opinion and this comes from my experience with a geophysical society, it makes your life harder leaning in this direction

08:55:29 From Chris Erdmann To Everyone:

And would be great to talk to Monica at some point

<https://openscapes.github.io/events/posts/2022-12-01-open-climate-movement-monica-granados/>

08:55:35 From Chris Erdmann To Everyone:

Guess you know where I lean

09:00:20 From Chris Erdmann To Everyone:

Take care everyone!