INFOVIS Steering Committee

180913 - Skype Call

ATTENDING

Jean-Daniel Fekete (chair), Sheelagh Carpendale, Jason Dykes, Stephen North, Hanspeter Pfister, Melanie Tory

APOLOGIES

Jeff Heer

1. InfoVIS OC 2019

Much of the discussion involved making recommendations for the provisional VIS OC for Vancouver 2019.

Publication data, historical data, statements from current chairs and feedback from the 2018 General Chair were used.

In some cases more than one candidate was proposed as the 2019 GC is likely to need to both mix experience and offer new opportunities to ensure continuity in key roles.

The importance of thanking those who have participated and ensuring that those who are asked to stand down understand that they do so in good stead and may well be asked to participate in other roles (possibly with greater levels of responsibility) was emphasized.

SCa	contact VISAP and check on progress as SC member
JDF	request that Archive Chair update data on InfoVis conference authorship on an annual basis and delivers this to Conference SCs in good time early in the year
JDF	forward agreed proposal for InfoVis OC to 2019 General Chair
MTo	contact 2019 chairs when 2019 General Chair has made selections
MTo	coordinate messages of thanks to outgoing OC

2. VIS Futures

Some discussion of VIS futures meetings and attitudes - very useful perspectives for SCs.

Awaiting reaction from VEC.

3. TOT AWARDS

These are in hand and award winners have been announced and will be in attendance.

VAST to coordinate the session this year.

JDy	coordinate the trophies

4. SC / OC LUNCH

Some discussion on how best to use this time.

Agreement that shared experiences, identification of new ideas ("*what has changed or needs to change?*, "*what have I learned?*") and getting to know each other and the conference culture are important ... and that unstructured discussion is an important part of this.

SCa	will organise lunchtime meeting this year with an emphasis on structured feedback and unstructured discussion.
JDy	to forward contacts to VIS committee

5. OPENNESS

Plenty of discussion on possible openness / transparency requirements for paper submissions in light of collective experiences and various position papers, we expect more of this at the conference.

General agreement that we should be supporting and encouraging openness and reproducibility where this is appropriate and possible, but also that this is not always the case. Some enthusiasm for the development of a statement on this for InfoVis but also acknowledgment that this needs to be considered at VIS/VEC level and in light of VIS Futures.

Agreement that if reviewers are unwilling to review work that is not open then this is their prerogative, but even though we support methods for enabling the scrutiny of research, we do not as yet require authors to adhere to any set of standards on openness.

ALL	ongoing discussion

6. SC PUBLIC Notes

Short open notes on discussions and decisions to be recorded. JDy to take first pass at this, summarising meeting within 1 week, circulating for approval or edits within 1 week.

JDy	to summarise discussions and circulate

7. NEXT SC Meeting

Tuesday, **6:45-8am** breakfast meeting before VIS opening session. Estrel Hotel, Berlin.

JDF	confirm time, place and breakfast with General Chair
ALL	update Google doc with issues for discussion and opinions

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