



COUNCIL OF REPRESENTATIVES (COR) REPORT
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TREE FUND REPRESENTATIVE TO COR
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BASIC FUNCTION

The ISA Council of Representatives (COR) is an integral part of the ISA Governance. The Council is composed of a Representative from each ISA Chapter, Professional Affiliate, Certification Board, TREE Fund and ISA Associate Organizations, all referred to as individual components. The TREE Fund has one seat on the Council known as the TREE Fund Representative to COR. Because we are not a membership organization, we do not have a vote on most issues, however play an important role in providing information and insight on issues.

The mission of the Council is: To support the mission of the ISA by facilitating cooperation and collaboration among the ISA components and the ISA Board of Directors.

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Represent the TREE Fund at COR activities and deliberations
- Attend Annual COR meeting and annual joint COR/ISA Board of Directors meeting
- Participate in COR conference calls, committees, task forces as assigned
- Report COR activities to TREE Fund Board
- Keep current on TREE Fund Board activities, policies and procedures
- Take TREE Fund concerns and issues that involve other components through COR to the ISA Board
- With other COR members participate in making recommendations to ISA Board of Directors concerning ISA policies, by-law changes, activities and other matter of organizational interest
- Participate in annual vote of COR-elected directors to the ISA Board

ACTIVITIES

- The Council continues to function efficiently because of strong support from assigned ISA staff and the effectiveness of the current COR Executive Committee. Examples are a monthly e-mail "ISA COR Update", monthly COR Executive Committee conference calls, and 3 or 4 COR conference calls during the year. Preparatory materials for all contacts continues to be outstanding.
- The ISA Board has requested input from COR on issues related to strategic planning, annual meeting agenda items and nominating and electing two future members of ISA Board. This

spring, a total of six names were nominated for two Director positions. For the first time they were won by two current COR Executive Board members, Nicolaas Verloof (Netherlands Chapter) and Tom Wolf (Southern Chapter).

- COR members are currently asked to provide nominations for three Executive Committee members from existing COR members, (Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary). The election will be held at the annual COR meeting in August.
- Each COR member was asked to submit strategic topics that should be discussed at the ISA Annual Meeting. Of all topics submitted "Research" was identified the third most important topic behind promoting profession and public awareness.
- The COR Annual Meeting will be held all day Sunday, August 14 ahead of the ISA Annual meeting in Fort Worth, Texas. We will provide a short slide presentation on TREE Fund activities along with similar presentations from other individual components. I hope to focus on the TREE Fund's contributions internationally so we can gain more support from the International Chapters.
- As your COR representative, I have participated in all meetings, responded to requests for information, and all conference calls. We continue to be recognized for 100% participation, it averages 67% for all COR members, up from 59% in 2014.