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**Skickat:** den 18 november 2012 03:32  
**Till:** Margaret Simonson McNamee  
**Ämne:** New web pages of the Association and their oversights by the Executive Committee.  
**Bifogade filer:** Website plan.pdf

Hi Margaret

Please attach this to the agenda for the agenda of the teleconference of the executive committee; or I do this from here if you wish me to do this. This is for point 9 on New web pages of the Association and their oversights by the Executive Committee.

Cheers

.../Bodzio

>>> Michael Gollner <mgollner@umd.edu> 7/11/2012 4:18 pm >>>  
Hi Bodzio,

I think there are two main issues with updating of the website, one is approvals, but the other is who decides which content to "promote". Remember, this page is not "static" like the past, so it's a bit more complicated.

The new website has 5 separate areas for information: (see them labeled on attached PDF)

1. Front Page Announcements (Max 4 displayed)
2. News Items
3. Calendar
4. Open Positions
5. Static Pages (e.g. committees, symposium)

1. For the front page announcements, I think there needs to be a decision who "picks" the 4 top items we are promoting at any 1 time. There is an image that slides through every few seconds, and we can only have 4. Currently these items are the Fire and Explosion Hazards Conference, the Fuel Behavior Conference, Free membership fees for students and August Newsletter. I am sure the next symposium will trump one of these items. Our two options here are that a member of the executive committee is in charge of this, or that the website team can make the decision to rotate through pertinent items in a timely manner. I think the latter would be easier, but that we could change to highlight a different item at any time if directed by you or the executive committee.

2. Recent news items are posted on the front page and throughout the site (e.g. obituaries, newsletters and popular topics). I think it is reasonable that either the current chair remains responsible for approving stories. Exceptions to this might be items such as major updates to the symposium (e.g. posting forms or registration) or a new newsletter being posted.

3. The calendar is currently used to promote many conferences related to our society. I think, to streamline this process, we should be responsible for keeping the list up to date without approval. Let me know your thoughts on this, but I think we can be pretty good about filtering to conferences that are related to our society (so far I have taken conferences promoted through our listserv) and if changes need to be made they are easy.

4. Open Positions - I think this is something that should require approval each time or a set of guidelines should be approved ahead of time as to which types of jobs can be posted. A postdoc or faculty position seem reasonable, but what if someone asks me to post a plan reviewer job in Timbuktu? I don't want to be responsible for what items can be posted, so I think there should be some discussion as to what should be promoted. (you could, in theory, charge to promote positions in for-profit companies, but it's a slippery slope I don't want to tackle now). Perhaps for the time being, you or someone you designate are responsible for filtering these.

5. Static Pages - these are like the new symposium page or committee pages. They are "static" meaning they're like a traditional old webpage and stay as they are until being updated. I think that for updates to, for instance, the

symposium program website updates from Arnaud are appropriate and each committee chair can send us updates to their site as well, however any broader changes should be approved.

I know this email was long, however I feel it is important we address the problem of approving content for the webpage before we go live. The website is more complicated than in the past, however I think this format will provide updated information to the membership with less effort from everyone (once it gets going). Perhaps once we decide how to proceed, we can write up a short set of guidelines to keep around for posterity.

Thank you for the support,

Michael

PS. sorry for the delay in responding - catching up while traveling.

On Sun, Oct 28, 2012 at 1:50 AM, Bogdan Dlugogorski <[Bogdan.Dlugogorski@newcastle.edu.au](mailto:Bogdan.Dlugogorski@newcastle.edu.au)> wrote:

Hi Arnaud - I have just written to all Members of the Committee to let Michael have any comments about the new web pages by 10 Nov. So, the web pages should become live shortly afterwards.

Please contact Michael directly about placing material relating to the next Symposium on the web pages. I am cc'ing this to Michael too.

Hi Michael - The Executive Committee of the IAFSS will have a teleconference at the end of November (the exact date has not yet been set). One item on the agenda will be an approval process for placing new material on the web pages. Until present (for the old pages) this has been done by the current Chair, but it does not need to be done this way. Any thoughts? Please let me know. You may also speak directly to Arnaud who is a member of the Exec Committee.

Best wishes

.../Bodzio

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Timeo hominem unius libri. (St Thomas) Tolle, lege! (St Augustine)

>>> Arnaud Trouve <[atrouve@umd.edu](mailto:atrouve@umd.edu)> 27/10/2012 7:31 am >>>

Dear Yaping and Charley,

I just want to touch base again about the flyer an review what needs to be done before we have a final version that we can broadcast. I have attached the last version I had sent out a couple of weeks ago before AOSFST.

- the flyer is missing the IAFSS logo

- the flyer is missing the UC web address for the local host web site

- the paper template is currently available from a link at <http://www.haifire.com/iafss/index.htm> and should be moved and stored somewhere on the new IAFSS web site. (Bodzio: when is the new IAFSS web site becoming live? Should we ask Michael Gollner to put the template on the IAFSS web site?)

- the Symposium Awards Committee members should be all listed:

Mr D Brein, Chair, Karlsruhe IT, Germany  
Dr C Beyler, Hughes Associates, USA  
Dr M Delichatsios, U Ulster, UK  
Dr M Spearpoint, U Canterbury, New Zealand  
Dr T Tanaka, Kyoto U, Japan

- the total length should remain below 4 pages

Charley: I am OK with generating the final version of the flyer; unless are already doing it. Please advise.

Best regards to all,  
Arnaud

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-----Original Message-----

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Sent: Tuesday, September 25, 2012 10:38 AM  
To: Yaping He  
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Subject: Flyer for the 11th IAFSS Symposium

Dear Yaping and Charley,

I have put together a draft version of the flyer for the 11th IAFSS Symposium (see attached file). We still have some time but I am thinking that we should send out the flyer within the next few weeks, once a final decision on dates and location has been made.

The flyer is based on the one generated for the 10th Symposium. Here is a list of items that need to be finalized:

- dates and location
- pictures at the top of the flyer (Charley?)
- timeline (I have put some dates assuming a February 2014 Symposium). Note that I have shortened the time between the submission deadline and the Symposium to about 7 months, using the Intl Combustion Symposium as a model, and also remembering some past complaints about that time being too long at the 10th Symposium - it was 9 month. This should be discussed before the timeline is approved.
- introductory paragraphs describing the location and venue for the Symposium (Charley?)
- the web links will have to be updated and checked

Arnaud

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We all, regardless of the scale of the fire out of control, have been awed by the power of the demon thus released  
by nature and bumbled by the relatively puny efforts of man's extinguishment operations.  
- Howard W. Emmons, "Fundamental Problems of the Free Burning Fire"