

Guidelines for Election of the CIPM Bureau

“This first CIPM meeting will be chaired by the most senior incumbent member of the previous CIPM. If no incumbent is re-elected, the CGPM will appoint a person to chair this meeting. Members of the new CIPM bureau (President, Secretary, First Vice-President, Second Vice-President) shall be elected prior to completion of this first meeting of the newly elected CIPM.”

extracted from the Criteria and Process for Election of CIPM Members

Election of the members of a new CIPM Bureau (President, Secretary, and two Vice-Presidents) should proceed according to the following guidelines.

- At least two months before the first meeting of the incoming CIPM, the CIPM Secretary will call for “expressions of interest” from amongst the incoming CIPM to serve in one (or more) of the posts on the CIPM bureau.
- At least one month before the first meeting of the incoming CIPM, the CIPM Secretary will make the information about candidates seeking election to bureau positions available to all members of the incoming CIPM.
- All voting will take place by secret ballot.
- Elections will take place in the following order: President; Secretary; and two Vice-Presidents elected sequentially*. For all positions, there should be successive rounds of voting until a candidate receives a majority of the votes cast, with the candidate having the fewest votes in each round dropping out.
- In the case of only one candidate a vote will be held to see whether the candidate is assured of sufficient support by the CIPM members, demonstrated through positive votes from a majority.

* This order of voting is essential to allow unsuccessful candidates for the Presidency to compete for the Secretary position. Similarly, unsuccessful candidates for the Secretary position will be eligible for election to either of the Vice-President positions.