

Committee on Project Evaluation Criteria

The Executive Committee (EC) has endorsed the integrated program and time frame proposed by the Strategy Development and Implementation Committee (SDIC) for improvement in the organization and management of the Union's scientific activities. As proposed by the SDIC, several aspects of this program must be developed in more detail in order that the EC can present for Bureau approval in September 1998 a comprehensive plan for implementing the program.

The EC has appointed an *ad hoc* Committee on Project Evaluation Criteria (CPEC) to advise the EC and the Bureau on criteria for the evaluation of project proposals; on mechanisms for approval of such proposals and allocation of resources; and on criteria for retrospective assessment of the outcomes of projects.

The CPEC membership is comprised of Elected Members of the Bureau and Division Officers, whose collective experience will insure that the perspectives and needs of the Divisions are addressed along with the requirements of a project-based system. Membership of the CPEC follows:

Prof. Gus Somsen (chairman) Elected Member of Bureau.

Prof. John Corish President, Inorganic Chemistry Division.

Prof. Folke Ingman President, Analytical Chemistry Division.

Prof. Werner Klein Vice-President, Div. of Chemistry and the Environment.

Dr Edwin Przybyłowicz Elected Member of Bureau.

Prof. Pieter Steyn Elected Member of Bureau.

Dr John W. Jost (staff support) Executive Director, IUPAC.

The CPEC is charged as follows:

- 1 Recommend procedures and assessment criteria, as outlined in the SDIC report, for evaluation of project proposals by IUPAC and non-IUPAC reviewers
 - at the Division level
 - centrally within IUPAC
 - for external funding.
- 2 Recommend a mechanism for reviewing applications for central funding of projects and allocation of resources, within the guidelines proposed in the SDIC report.
- 3 Recommend criteria and procedures for retrospective evaluation of projects to assess their success and impact, along lines proposed in the report by the SDIC.
- 4 Provide a report to the EC encompassing the above recommendations by 15 August 1998.