

July 19, 2021 - SIAG Business Meeting Notes

Had 32 participants at start of discussion 09:00 Central.

Zoom polls were launched SIAM staff and SIAG Officers did not vote in the numbers below.

Q1- Software as part of ToT Prize (23 submitted):

66% yes

27% no

9% no opinion

Points were made for and against; some discussion was held on having a separate award for software.

Q2- OP23 location priority (23):

61% easy to get to

22% pleasant location

18% No opinion

A location of Hawaii was proposed.

Some points were made that for US conferences one does not need a local OC. A concern was raised that the locations are significantly restricted by virtue of SIAM doing the organization.

[After business meeting, SIAG/ACDA reached out about possible SIAG/OPT interest in co-locating with ACDA in spring/summer 2023 in US:

- ACDA23 cochairs are Lenore Cowen and Uwe Naumann
- PC cochairs David Shmoys and Jon Berry]

Q3- Should we have job fair at OP23 and beyond (21):

72% Yes

0 % No

29% No Opinion

A concern was raised that maybe the SIAG is too small to support a career fair.

Location and cost (SIAM is now charging exhibitors to participate) was raised as factors that industry would consider in terms of whether they want to participate in a job fair.

Q4- Should future OPs be hybrid (20):

40% Yes

55% No

5% No Opinion

Richard Moore spoke about Career fairs in other SIAG meetings and SIAM wanting to think carefully about over saturating career fairs given significant overlap in employers participating in SIAM career fairs (CSE, Data Science, ...).