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**Background**

On 15 April 2022 by email, the BIML launched an online survey (via SurveyMonkey) among all CIML Members concerning:

- 1) the feasibility for CIML Members to attend the 57th CIML Meeting if it is held in Suzhou, People's Republic of China in the week commencing 17th October 2022, and
- 2) the criteria that CIML Members feel are important when selecting an economy to host future CIML meetings.

**Results**

By the closing date of the survey one month later on 15 May 2022, 43 CIML Members (out of 62) had responded.

The detailed results of the survey were sent on 2 June 2022 by the BIML to all CIML Members, Assignees, and Corresponding Member Representatives in the form of a letter from Dr Schwartz, CIML President. This letter and the survey results are presented in Annex A to the present Addendum.



**Annex A**

**Survey results**



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Paris, 27 May 2022

To: CIML Members

**Subject: Outcome of the BIML survey on the criteria for CIML meetings**

Dear Colleagues,

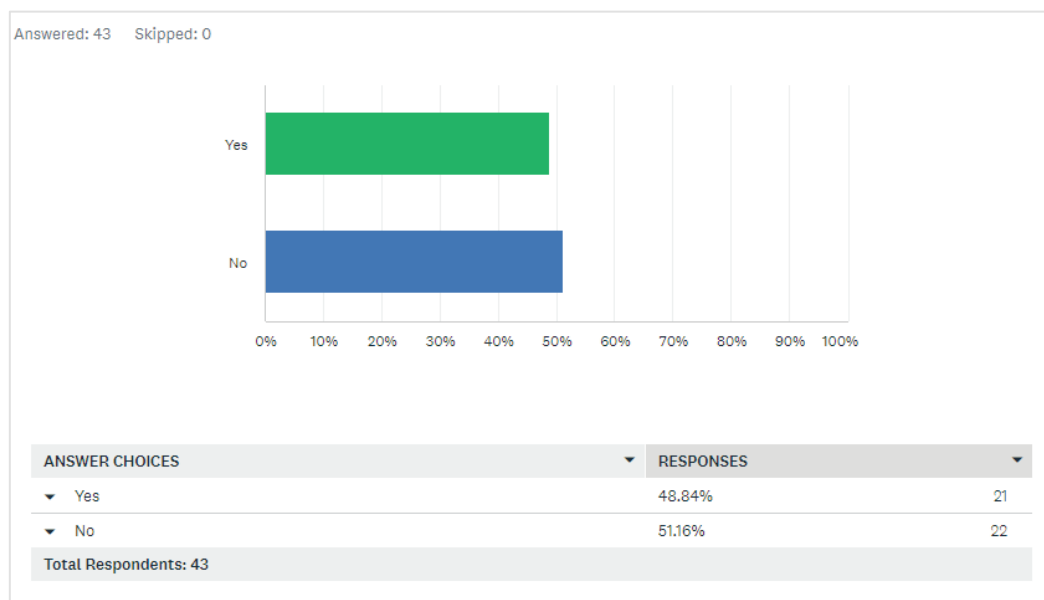
As you may recall, from 15 April to 15 May 2022 the BIML conducted a short survey among CIML Members concerning:

- 1) the feasibility for CIML Members to attend the 57th CIML Meeting if it is held in Suzhou, People's Republic of China in the week commencing 17th October 2022, and
- 2) the criteria that CIML Members feel are important when selecting an economy to host future CIML meetings.

I would like to express my gratitude to the 43 CIML Members who responded. The information we have been able to collect thanks to this survey will guide us both in the choice of the format for our meeting in 2022, and also in the selection of future CIML meeting locations.

**Results of the survey**

Question 1: "As CIML Member for your country, if the 57th CIML Meeting is held in Suzhou, People's Republic of China this year, would you be able to participate in person?"



The responses to question 1 indicate that an in-person meeting would not achieve the required quorum (i.e. 75 % of CIML Members present).

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Question 2: “As CIML Member for your country, in your opinion what criteria are important when selecting an economy to host future CIML meetings in order to ensure maximum in-person participation?”

A summary of the responses received from CIML Members to question 2 can be found below:

**1. Travelling to host country / venue:**

- convenient to reach with sufficient flights available
- reasonable travel costs
- few visa requirements and host country visa support available
- good overall infrastructure
- multiple options for hotels

**2. Safety / security in host country:**

- safety / security must be guaranteed
- no political issues

**3. Health / COVID-19 conditions:**

- safe and stable country according to the WHO
- minimal restrictions to enter and leave the country
- no COVID-19 quarantine
- easy COVID-19 testing (if required)
- acceptance of any kind of vaccination, or even no vaccination on entry

**4. Meeting room:**

- excellent conference facilities
- excellent communication facilities
- physical distancing possible / ensured

**5. Costs for the OIML:**

- reasonable total cost
- budget funds to be secured

**6. Other:**

- opportunities to visit relevant manufacturing and research facilities
- dedicated staff to support participants

In light of the survey responses and in consultation with the CIML Member for the People’s Republic of China, I would like to inform you that the 57th CIML Meeting will be held online, similar to our CIML meetings in 2020 and 2021. More information will be available shortly on the OIML website, and the BIML will notify you accordingly.

Thank you again for your participation in the survey and I look forward to a successful and fruitful 57th CIML Meeting in October this year.

Yours faithfully,

**Dr Roman Schwartz**  
*CIML President*