



Agenda Item 23.1

Discussion on future CIML meeting locations

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Background

On 15 April 2022 by email, the BIML launched an online survey 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

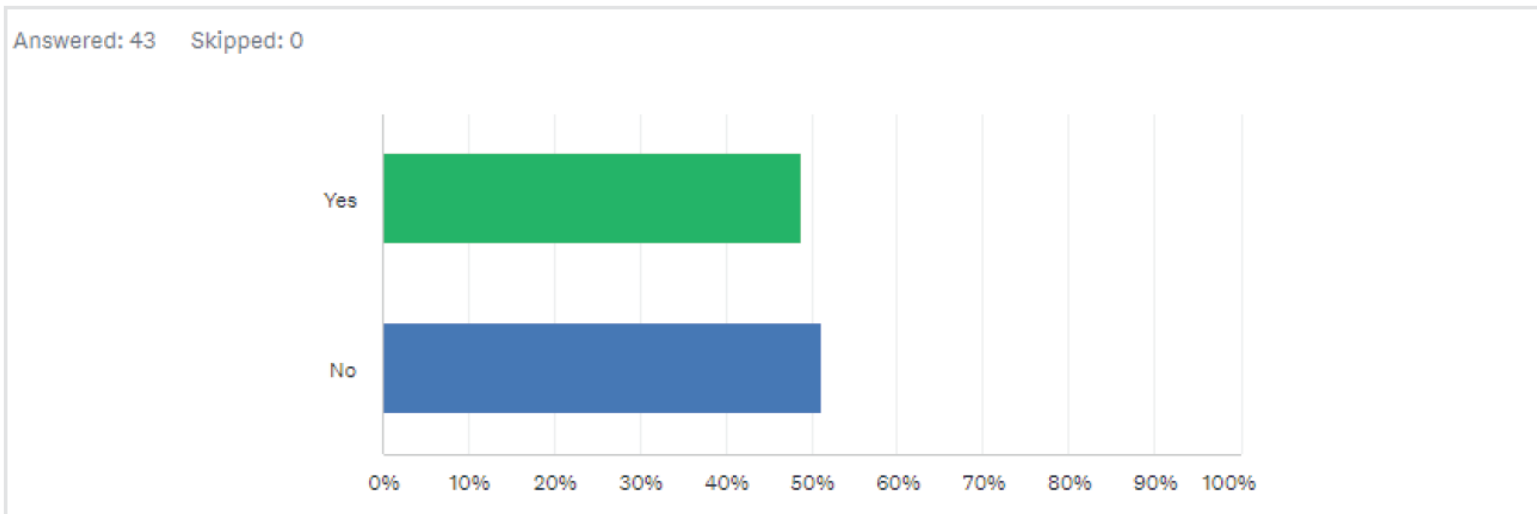
- CIML Members,
 - Assignees, and
 - Corresponding Member Representatives
- in the form of a letter from the CIML President.

This letter and the survey results are summarized in **Annex A to Addendum 23.1.**



Survey results to Q1

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 43 responses indicate that an in-person meeting would not achieve the required quorum (i.e. 75 % of CIML Members present).
- In agreement with the CIML Member for P.R. China it was decided to hold the 57th CIML Meeting online.



Survey results to Q2

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?”*

Criteria which are considered important:

1. Travelling to host country / venue
2. Safety / security in host country
3. Health / COVID-19 conditions
4. Meeting room
5. Costs for the OIML
6. Other



1. Travelling to host country / venue

Important aspects:

- 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

Important aspects:

- safety / security must be guaranteed
- no political issues



3. Health / COVID-19 conditions

Important aspects:

- 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

Important aspects:

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



5. Costs for the OIML

Important aspects:

- reasonable total cost
- budget funds to be secured



6. Other

Important aspects:

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



Conclusion

- A very useful survey with very useful results!
- Many thanks to the 43 CIML Members who responded!
- The information we have been able to collect thanks to this survey has guided us in the choice of the format for this year's CIML Meeting and it will certainly also help us in the selection of future CIML meeting locations.



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