

ESORICS

Election process for the Chair of the ESORICS Steering Committee

Introduction

Article 3.1 (Chair of the Steering Committee) of the “Terms of reference for the ESORICS Steering Committee” defines the role and the eligibility requirements for election as the Chair of the Steering Committee.

The article stipulates that “The Chair is elected from among the Steering Committee members for a term of 3 years; re-election is possible for one additional term only.”

This document sets out the procedures to be followed for nominating candidates for the Chair of the Steering Committee and for electing the Chair.

Nominations

Nominations for the Chair of the Steering Committee are made by the members of the ESORICS Steering Committee following an invitation by the outgoing Chair of the Steering Committee.

Each member of the Steering Committee may nominate more than one candidate. Self-nominations are possible. Each nomination should be accompanied by a short statement of support. In the case of a self-nomination a position statement by the candidate is to be submitted. The outgoing Chair of the Steering Committee collects the nominations, asks the nominees to confirm their willingness to serve and announces the list of nominees that have confirmed soon after the deadline for submitting nominations expires.

Discussion

Following the announcement of the list of nominees, a discussion phase follows, during which the nominees that have confirmed their participation present their position statements; these are discussed with the members of the Steering Committee.

Decision process

The decision on the Chair is made by voting among the members of the Steering Committee.

In all cases, implicit or explicit abstention is possible. Missing votes will be considered as abstentions and will not count towards determining the result.

Voting

Each member of the Steering Committee may cast one vote, and vote for up to one candidate only. The candidate that will receive the majority of the votes is elected. In

the event of a tie, the election will be rerun between the candidates with the top tying tallies. The voting will be performed on the Helios voting system (<https://vote.heliosvoting.org/>). Two members of the Steering Committee, with no conflict of interest to the election (i.e. neither nominees or nominators) will be appointed by the Steering Committee for organizing, carrying out the election, and announcing the result.