



ILGA OCEANIA

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION FORM



PROPOSAL NAME: Nomenclature change: “Co-Convenor” → “Co-Chairperson”

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ILGA Member Organisation: NSW LGBTI Legal Forum

Document Changed: ILGA Oceania Constitution

This form is for submitting a proposal at the ILGA Oceania Annual General Meeting (AGM).

1) DEADLINES

PROPOSAL DEADLINE: 21 days prior to the AGM. [ILGA Oceania Constitution, s31(5)] , so that they can be sent out 21 days prior to the AGM [ILGA Oceania Constitution, s31(5)].

AMENDMENT DEADLINE: 15 days prior to the AGM. [ILGA Oceania Constitution, s31(6)]

2) MAJORITY REQUIRED (MEMBER VOTES CAST)

GENERAL PROPOSALS: 50%

CONSTITUTION CHANGES: 75% (Special Resolution) [ILGA Oceania Constitution, s35]

CONSTITUTION ‘AIMS & OBJECTIVE’ CHANGES: 50% [ILGA Oceania Constitution, s3(2)]

LODGEMENT: 28 days after the resolution. [ILGA Oceania Constitution, s42].

No documentary change to the ILGA Oceania constitution, or the ILGA Oceania Standing Orders, may conflict with the aims and objectives of the ILGA Oceania constitution or its ILGA World Standing Orders [ILGA Oceania Constitution, s42], or any relevant legal requirements [Association Incorporation Act 2009 (NSW) & Associations Incorporation Regulation 2016 (NSW)].

A) PURPOSE – A short summary of what the proposal intends.

This proposal changes all the references of “ILGA Oceania Co-Convenor(s)” in the ILGA Oceania constitution, to the new name of “ILGA Oceania Co-Chair(s)”, also known as “ILGA Oceania Regional Representative(s)”.

B) BACKGROUND – A background of the issues surrounding the proposal itself.

The ILGA World constitution refers [ILGA World Constitution, c8.11 & 8.3] to the positions on the ILGA World board dedicated to each of the regions as “Regional Representatives” or “Regional Members”, and their alternates as “Regional Alternates”:

C8.11 The term of office of the Secretaries-General and the Chairs of the Steering Committees shall be from the end of the World Conference at which they are elected until the end of the next World Conference. They may run for a maximum of two consecutive terms. The term of office of the regional members shall be specified by the appropriate regional structures.

C8.3 Regional representatives and alternates shall be elected by the appropriate regional structures, according to their procedures. At least one of the two regional alternates must identify as a woman. If this is not possible, a regional caucus at a World Conference shall elect representatives until the region elects representatives according to their procedures or until the next World Conference.

The ILGA Oceania Constitution refers to its representatives on the ILGA World board as “ILGA Oceania Co-Convenors”. Whilst it is not a direct conflict, both documents would be easier to read together if the inconsistencies in these two terminologies were removed.

The constitutions for other ILGA regions have different names for these regional representative positions:-

	Regional Representatives
ILGA World	"Regional Representative"
ILGA Pan Africa	"Co-Chairpersons"
ILGA Asia	"Regional Representatives"
ILGA Europe	"Regional Representatives"
ILGA Latin America	Not Mentioned (mentions "regional representation" on the ILGA World Board)
ILGA North America*	"Regional Representatives"
ILGA Oceania	"Co-Convenors"

* The current ILGA North America constitution is soon to be amended for the addition of the English-speaking Caribbean Islands.

The term of "Co-Chairpersons" is used by ILGA Pan Africa. The term of "Regional Representatives" is used by ILGA Asia, ILGA Europe, ILGA North America" *. Therefore, for the sake of continuity, this proposal opts for the use of the term ILGA Oceania "Co-Chairperson(s)" (also to be known as ILGA Oceania "Regional Representatives") in the ILGA Oceania constitution.

C) CHANGES – State the change you are desiring to make.

Delete all the references to "Co-Convenor" and substitute the term "Co-Chairperson".

In the "1. Definitions" section, the following will be added (**Green** for any additions):-

1. Definitions

(1) *In this Constitution:*

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The 'Co-Chair' means the ILGA Oceania Co-Chair, also known as ILGA Oceania 'Regional Representatives'. Whilst this position is a representative of the ILGA Oceania region to the ILGA World board under the ILGA Oceania constitution, it is also the chair of the ILGA Oceania board.