

## National vote by members for a new model for IPEd

In November 2013, the members of all societies were presented with a detailed business case and discussion paper that described three possible future models for IPEd and its member societies and asked to vote on which of these should have a comprehensive plan developed for its implementation and operation.

The three models were:

- IPEd as is with fees unchanged
- IPEd as is but with increased funding
- a single national direct membership model (DMM), with the current societies becoming branches of the national body.

After allocation of preferences, 61.2% of members who voted favoured the DMM, and this is the model for which a comprehensive implementation plan is being developed.

### How members voted

For a decisive result, the vote required more than 60% of those voting, after preferences, to choose one of the three options.

The primary vote was:

- 55.1% for the direct membership model (DMM)
- 28.1% for the increased funding model (IFM)
- 16.8% to keep the IPEd structure and funding as is.

The 'as is' vote, as the option with the least votes, was then distributed according to those voters' second preferences for the other two options (18 members had no preferences), producing 61.2% for the DMM, and 34.2% for the IFM.

Nationally, 392 members voted, or 23% of membership. This is a similar level of member participation as for the *Standards* review vote in 2012 and the June 2013 survey about the IPEd structure.

Society	As is		IFM		DMM		Total
<b>CSE</b>	3	8%	15	38%	19	48%	37
<b>NSW</b>	14	19%	9	12%	52	69%	75
<b>Qld</b>	10	16%	29	47%	23	37%	62
<b>SA</b>	3	11%	9	31%	15	52%	27
<b>Tas</b>	0	0%	1	11%	8	89%	9
<b>Vic</b>	34	23%	38	25%	79	51%	151
<b>WA</b>	2	6%	9	29%	20	65%	31
<b>National total</b>	66	16.8%	110	28.1%	216	55.1%	392
<b>Allocated preferences</b>			24		24		
<b>Total with preferences</b>			134	34.2%	240	61.2%	

Table 1: Breakdown of votes for a new model for IPEd by societies of editors