ISPyB Steering Committee Meeting

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1. ISPyB mailing lists

The status of the ISPyB mailing lists was unclear.

➤ MSW will check with Gianluca Santoni (ESRF)

2. Refactoring of ISPyB

DLS want to expand ISPyB to include other techniques. While this was in general seen positively, there was some concern that this could compromise the collaboration. If modules describing the samples would be strictly kept separate from modules describing the experiment, this could work, however. With such a more modular structure, better collaboration could be enabled and new experiments could be included almost seamlessly. In order to discuss this in more detail, a ISPyB review meeting was suggested (see next point). The ISPyB developers at their monthly meetings are tasked with studying the alternatives of evolving the current data base and backend, or making a fresh start and rewriting, and present the alternatives with pros and cons at the review meeting.

3. ISPyB review meeting

The suggested ISPyB review meeting will be organized by EMBL-HH.

➤ GB will suggest possible dates for 02/2020.

4. Redefinition of MoU

A redefinition of the scope of the collaboration (in order to include more than just the back end) was perceived as not necessary at the moment.

5. Next meeting

The next ISPyB meeting will be held attached to the next MXCuBE meeting as usual. It will be organized by ALBA and take place June 24-26, 2020.