

# Eastern Council Governance Framework

## Version

1.0.0 (Initial Version)

## Scope

This document covers the governance framework for the “Cardano Interim Constitutional Committee—Eastern Council” (“CICC-EC”).

The latest version of this charter can be found at <https://skillzeb.io/template-explorer/cardano-interim-constitutional-committee-eastern-council-governance>, along with its corresponding Blake2b-256 hash. The hash will be included with any on-chain votes this council makes as part of the metadata.

## Purpose

The purpose of the CICC-EC is to approve or reject (via an on-chain vote) the Cardano community's on-chain governance proposals. Approval or rejection signals that a proposal is or is not constitutional according to the “Cardano Interim Constitution”.

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## Composition

1. The council has been initiated with six (6) team members from Japan (1), South Korea (1), Vietnam (1), Australia (2) & New Zealand (1).
2. The council in this interim stage will have a maximum of eight (8) team members.
3. The council will have a minimum of five (5) members.
4. If the number of members falls below the minimum then the council as a whole will resign from the ICC.
5. A maximum of two (2) members from any one country.
6. Members must be residents of one of the countries in the CICC-EC Country register:  
<https://skillzeb.io/template-explorer/cardano-interim-constitutional-committee-eastern-council-governance-registers>
7. New members need to be agreed to by 100% of the council members.
8. Members shall be a minimum of 18 years old and have their identity validated using nation-state identification documents.
9. Members shall have an evidenced two (2) years of experience within the Cardano community and can demonstrate; a thorough understanding of Cardano's operations, orientation, and strategy; knowledge and active participation in decentralised governance, and relevant experience and expertise to evaluate proposals related to Cardano governance.

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## Rules

1. This framework can only be changed with the agreement of at least 80% of the council members—i.e., with six (6) team members, it requires five (5) team members to agree.
2. Members must engage in discussions and the voting process. If any member does not engage with three (3) consecutive votes and does not have a rationale for not voting approved by the other members, they will be removed from the council.
3. Votes are only to approve or reject a community governance action in accordance with the “Cardano Interim Constitution”, member opinions are not considered as part of this validity check.
4. Council votes are submitted on-chain as an ICC member via a cryptographic signing process when 60% of the members agree. For a council of six (6) members, this would be four (4) of the members' votes agree.
5. Member votes totalled by approve/reject will be shared with the Cardano community as part of the vote, including the rationale. All this data will also be Blake2b-256 hashed for verification and future referencing.

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## Resources

1. "Cardano Interim Constitution"
2. Shared Google Drive - Private drive that holds documents, registers etc
3. Telegram Group
4. Multi-signature address (script) for signing of the orchestrated vote as agreed by the council members, based on the CICC-EC rules.

## Conflicts

Covering conflicts of interest and inter-member conflicts.

1. Given that voting is fact-based and does not consider personal opinions then conflict-of-interests should be negligible.
2. If a conflict-of-interest does occur it is registered by the member with the council.
3. Any inter-member conflicts are to be acknowledged by the council and a member is elected to facilitate a resolution to the conflict.

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## Documentation

1. All discussions and resolutions to be documented and include standard control information i.e dates, version numbers.
2. All internal documents are confidential/private by default.
3. All decisions, with the rationale, are shared with the Cardano community as part of our voting process.
4. All documents are hashed using Blake2b-256 for independent and future referencing.
5. One of the members will be responsible for documentation.
6. All documentation will be stored on a shared private Google Drive.
7. Registers of key information will be kept - i.e. member details, responsibilities, voting participation, decisions etc

## Communication

1. All public communication needs to be approved by 80% of the members.
2. One of the members will be responsible for public communications as the CICC-EC representative via email and social channels.
3. The council will report any information as required by the Interim Constitutional Committee in a timely manner.

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## Reviews

1. We periodically review the council for performance and fit-for-purpose checks.
2. We periodically review this framework for effectiveness and validity.
3. One of the members is responsible for ensuring reviews occur at least once every four (4) months.
4. Review actions are implemented if 60% of the members agree—this does not include this charter; see the “Rules” section.

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