
Internet Assisted Review (IAR) Version 3.7.1.3 Release Notes

New Features

SRO's Default List of Meetings Includes Meetings without Start or End Dates

The default *List of Meetings* for Scientific Review Officers (SRO) has been modified to include information for meetings having a set start time, but not start date. Previously, the *List of Meetings* showed a system error in this scenario. The modification means that information such as the meeting name, the location, SRO name, etc. displays even if no meeting dates have been set.

Default Settings for Recruitment Phase Modified to Yes

Prior to this release, the settings for using the optional Recruitment Phase of a meeting were defaulted to *No* in the IAR *Control Center*, thus requiring an extra step for SROs wanting to use the phase. A modification has been made to default these settings to *Yes* and to remove the controls for the Recruitment Phase from the IAR *Control Center*.

The new default settings for Recruitment Phase are as follows:

- **Use Recruitment Phase:** *Yes*
- **Display Abstracts:** *No*

The use of the Recruitment Phase remains optional. This modification affects the default settings only, and does not affect a meeting unless the SRO enables Reviewers for Recruitment Phase in the Peer Review *Recruitment Control Center*.

SROs using the Recruitment Phase feature may update the **Display Abstracts** setting in the Peer Review *Recruitment Control Center*.

This enhancement was implemented as one of the Review Users Group (RUG) low cost solutions.

Preliminary Scores are Read-only During Edit Phase and Final Scoring

IAR has been modified to disable the **Preliminary Overall/Impact** field on the Reviewer's version of the *Submit Critique and Scores* screen for both the Edit Phase and the final scoring period, if the final score option is enabled for a meeting. During these times, the field is read-only, and Reviewers are not able to enter overall preliminary scores. Final scores are entered

using the *Voter Sheet*, and disabling the **Preliminary Overall/Impact** field eliminates any confusion surrounding where to enter final scores.

NOTE: During Edit Phase and final scoring, Criterion Scores remain enabled as does the ability to submit critiques.

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New Conflict Guidance for Reviewers is Posted

IAR has been modified in multiple places to link to the latest COI guidance documents for Federal and non-Federal reviewers.

The documents can also be viewed on OER Peer Review Policies & Practices public page, under the Conflict of Interest bullet.

- COI Reviewer Guidance (Fed):
http://grants.nih.gov/grants/peer/COI_reviewer_guidance_fed.pdf
- COI Reviewer Guidance (Non-Fed):
http://grants.nih.gov/grants/peer/COI_reviewer_guidance_nonfed.pdf