

**Part 1:** **TITLE, AUTHORS, APPROVALS, etc**

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| n/a |

**ICTV Study Group comments and response of proposer**

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| n/a |

**ICTV Study Group votes on proposal**

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| **Study Group** | **Number of members** | | |
| **Votes support** | **Votes against** | **No vote** |
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**ICTV-EC comments and response of the proposer**

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**Part 2:** **NON-TAXONOMIC PROPOSAL**

**Text of proposal**

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| The current text of Article 5.1 of the ICTV Statutes is:  5.1. Plenary Meetings of the full ICTV membership shall be held in conjunction with the International Congresses of Virology organized by the IUMS. Executive Committee Meetings shall be held in conjunction with the Congresses as well as at least once between Congresses.  Future changes to the timing of IUMS congresses to a two yearly cycle, conflicts with the the current three year cycle of ICTV plenary meetings. We propose to maintain the current three year by uncoupling the ICTV Plenary meeting from the IUMS Congress in years where the cycles do not coincide. This proposed change would be codified through the replacement of Article 5.1. The new text would be:  5.1. Executive Committee Meetings shall be held annually. Plenary Meetings of the full ICTV membership shall be held every three years. In the years when it coincides with the International Congresses of Virology (ICV) organized by the IUMS, the Plenary Meeting shall be held in conjunction with the ICV. Otherwise the Plenary Meeting shall be held online no later than one month after the Executive Committee annual meeting. |

**Part 3:** **TAXONOMIC PROPOSAL**

**Name of accompanying Excel module**

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**Abstract**

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**Text of proposal**

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**Supporting evidence**

**References**