



Communication structures & Development Requests for Higher Education and Research

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Communications

- Our web page web.mit.edu/her
- How to join
- Contacting institutions individually from our web page
- Our list-server her-users@mit.edu
- A discussion forum
www.egroups.com/group/forum-e-herug

Discussion Forum

- Place for posting questions and topics of interest to HERUG
- Opportunity for informing others of global events - What's going on...
- Central location for surveys
- Source of information for new members
- Extrusive not intrusive

Previous Developments

- May'97 voting
 - ✦ position management & grant year
- Oct'98 voting
 - ✦ multiple appointments
- May'99
 - ✦ <http://web.mit.edu/her/devreqprev/vote99results.htm>

Where are we with the process?

- Oct'98 voting (multiple appointments), complaints about the process
- May'99 proposal to formalise the development request process accepted
 - ✦ log items onto a web form
 - ✦ SAP to give input prior to voting
 - ✦ Certain items to be filtered out
 - ✦ Voting
 - ✦ Dates to revolve around HERUG meetings

Since September '99

- 1999 Development requests collected
- SAP comments received
- Items filtered
- Voting performed in January 2000
- Created a web logging form for 2000 requests

(...also upgraded 3.0F -> 4.5B, survived a crane disaster, implemented ABC, re-wrote payroll for CoE, changed medical aid....)

Future processes???

- Should dates revolve around HERUG?
- What are the ideal timings?
- Did the filtering process work?
- How much time is needed for SAP comments?
- Can HERUG be a discussion forum for requests?