9.1 The president is elected by the General Assembly in the year of a Congress. Each nomination shall be made by the member association of which the nominee is a member. The Council will write to member associations asking for nominations and giving the closing date for their receipt by the Office. This will normally be four months prior to the General Assembly.

9.2 The four vice presidents are elected by the General Assembly. The election will take place on a phased basis so that two posts are filled at the General Assembly held during a congress year and two posts at the Assembly held two years later. Each nomination shall be made by the member association of which the nominee is a member. The Council will write to member associations asking for nominations and giving the closing date for their receipt by the Office. This will normally be four months prior to the General Assembly.

9.3 The Council shall prepare a template document specifying the background information required from each candidate for any open post on the Council. This document shall be available on the FIG web site. Additional information may be provided at the discretion of the candidate and member association. All nominations must be accompanied by a letter from the candidate consenting to the nomination together with a completed template document.

9.4 No individual may be nominated for election to more than one position at any General Assembly. No serving Commission Chair or Chair Elect may be nominated for a position on Council if this would result in overlapping terms of office as a Council Member and Commission Officer. (Approved by General Assembly in Eilat 3 May 2009).

9.5 The General Assembly shall vote for each candidate of their choice. The first vote shall be between all candidates for the post in question. If no single candidate for that post gains an absolute majority of the votes cast, a second vote will be held between the two candidates that have the most votes. In the event of a tie on that vote, the final decision shall be made by selecting a name by blind ballot.