

Imperial College Union  
**Elections 2012 Timetable**  
*A Paper by ICU President – Scott Heath*

**Background**

Regulation Four of the Constitution States, in sub-section D:

20. The election shall normally be held in the Spring Term on dates approved jointly by the Executive Committee and Court.
21. The Executive Committee shall determine whether the elections are to be held by paper ballot or electronic voting.

The proposed timetable:

Nominations Open:	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> February
Nominations Close:	Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> March
Initial Candidates Meeting:	Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> March
Voting Opens:	Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> March
Voting Closes:	Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> March
Final Candidates Meeting:	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> March
Results Announced:	Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March.

**Beliefs**

A timetable with a 4-week nomination period will provide a substantial window for any potential candidates to find out the necessary information required to make an informed decision and might help us increase the number of people standing for positions.

The use of paper ballots would severely reduce the participation in the election and due to such the use of our electronic voting system is in the best interests of the membership.

**Resolves**

The Executive Committee are asked:

1. To approve the proposed timetable
2. To approve the use of electronic voting