

2023 Online Events Committee. Congress Report.

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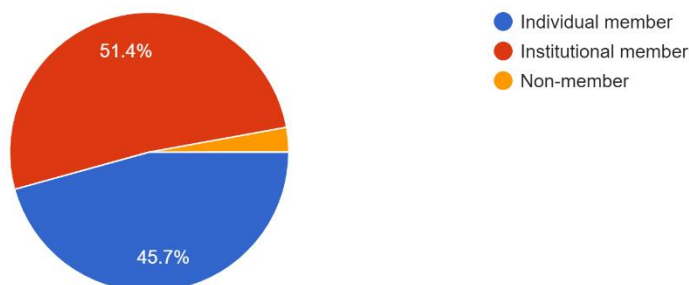
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After the formal constitution of our committee, we started with great enthusiasm in the task of making available many interesting contents to our professional community. To this end, we drafted a manual of procedures for the proper functioning of the online sessions, and the different types of sessions that may be interesting, talks, workshops, master classes, more active meetings... etc. In addition, the review of the appropriate times for each of them.

Once the committee had soaked up all the interesting information to be able to organize the sessions, the work team was reviewing the sessions that could be held in the first months. In addition, a survey, conducted by Houman Behzadi, was published and sent to all IAML members, illustrations of some of the responses to the form are included:

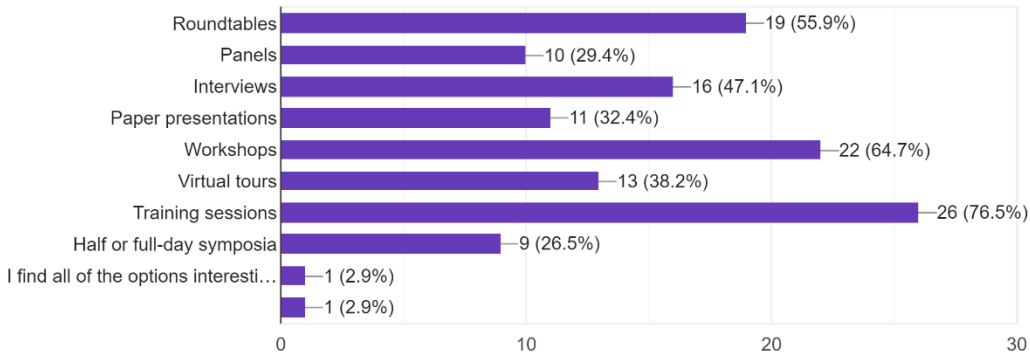
IAML membership status:

35 responses



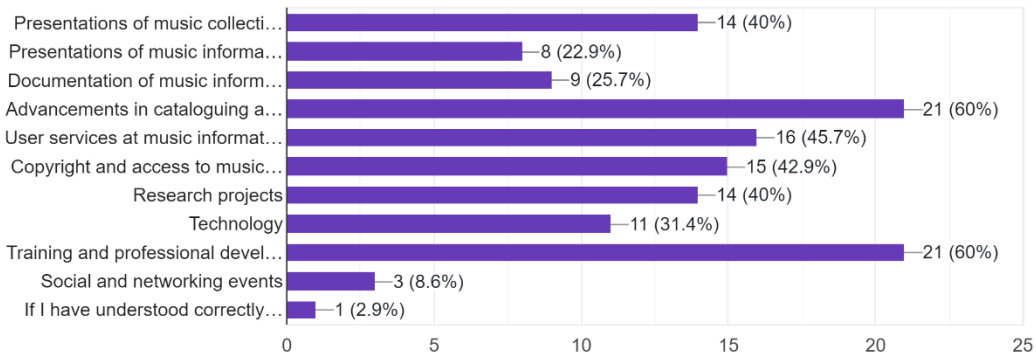
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34 responses



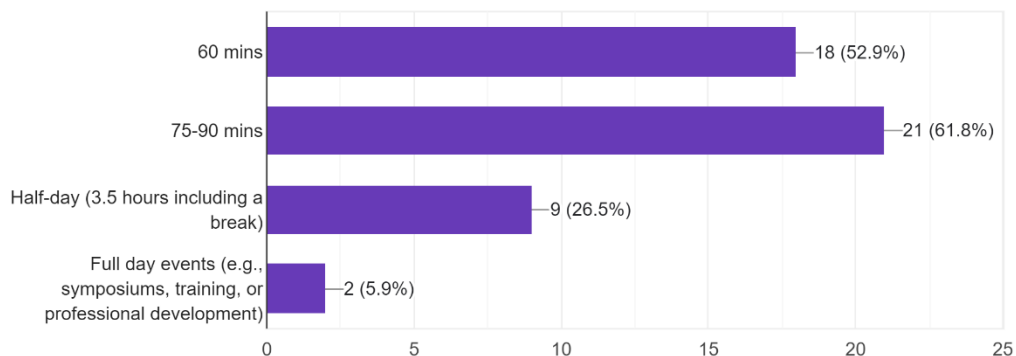
What event themes would you like the Online Events Committee to organize in between the annual congresses? Select up to 4 options.

35 responses



What in your view is the ideal length of IAML's online events? Multiple options can be selected.

34 responses



Once the results were evaluated, a note was made for future decision making.

At this point, a session on the upcoming congress in Cambridge, coordinated by Margaret Jones and Anna Pensaert, was deemed most appropriate. All of us virtual attendees were already looking forward to strolling the streets of such a historic and attractive city. The organization, the activities, and the "so musical" presentation, with those English songs, surely encouraged even more to have another meeting in the summer at the annual congress. The registration was 87 people, and there was a lot of online follow-up. The Technical part was done by our secretary Anders Cato, and Jennifer Ward.

The committee is also very conscious of the need to have calendars of national meetings, and other activities of interest, so as not to overlap content.

On the other hand, the committee after its constitution held different online meetings through ZOOM, and finally there was an in-person meeting, within the Cambridge congress. In that meeting the different lines of the following sessions were outlined, in a brainstorming session, and Houman Behzadi warned of the need for a new chapter on e-lending in scores, after the face-to-face session at the congress. It was therefore planned to hold such a session, coordinated by himself, before the end of the year. The committee also attended the meeting of national representatives, where some ideas for future sessions presented there were noted.

As a final report, some of these lines were presented at the end of the congress, inviting all attendees to the next sessions.

María Teresa Delgado-Sánchez, chair