

A Brief Report on Current CAP Activities

- The CAP chair shared his vision for CAP in an article in the ASOR Newsletter that was published this summer.
- We instituted a new procedure for submitting CAP applications using WORD files obtainable from the CAP website. Applicants simply download the appropriate application format, fill it in, and return it as a WORD file to the CAP chair. The procedure seems to have worked very well as we have heard no complaints. We have also had good success using ONEHUB.ORG as a common web site for uploading to a common web site and for making them available to CAP committee members for review and comment
- We have received a total of 67 applications for CAP affiliation for either fieldwork or publication. This is a significant increase over last year. The break-down according to countries is as follows:
 - 10 Cyprus projects
 - 1 Egypt project
 - 25 Israel projects
 - 23 Jordan projects
 - 3 Syria projects
 - 1 Tunisia project
 - 2 Turkey projects
 - 2 West Bank projects
 - 1 Saudi Arabia
- To facilitate review of these 67 applications, we have divided them up according to regions as follows: Cyprus/Egypt; Anatolia/Iraq; Israel/West Bank; Jordan/Syria and Bahrain/S. Arabia. Each regional sub-committee has been tasked with providing brief comments (observations, commendations, concerns, status recommendations) on each application under their review. The sub-committees will give their reports at the CAP meeting and the floor will be open for discussion and final action by the committee.
- Items included on the agenda for the current CAP meeting include: action on 67 applications; action on new nominations to the CAP committee; proposal for further streamlining of CAP forms and submission process; update on development of the CAP web site; a proposal for re-inventing the CAP tour; procedures for establishing new regional committees; initiative to produce a procedure manual for CAP; updating of statement of CAP standards and best practices.

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