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JRAB Terms of Reference

*IODP JOIDES Resolution
Advisory Board (JRAB)*



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(1) General Purpose

The *JOIDES Resolution* Advisory Board (JRAB) provides operational and management advice on activities related to the wind down of the *JOIDES Resolution* as part of closeout of the International Ocean Discovery Program (IODP). The JRAB will operate from October 1, 2024 to September 30, 2029.

(2) Mandate

1. Provide advice as needed to the *JOIDES Resolution* Science Operator (JRSO) as it concludes the following IODP activities: demobilization of the *JOIDES Resolution*, data management, publications, core curation, and legacy activities.
2. Provide advice as needed to the Science Support Office (SSO) as it concludes the following IODP activities: oversight of expedition proposals, management of the Site Survey Data Bank, and support of the IODP website.
3. Develop and monitor policies for post-cruise publications and core curation associated with the *JOIDES Resolution*.

(3) Membership

The U.S. National Science Foundation and all other funding agencies that contributed to operations of the *JOIDES Resolution* in 2023 have one formal representative each to the JRAB. Six leading senior scientists from the IODP community (three from the U.S. and three from *JOIDES Resolution* partner countries/consortia) serve on the JRAB.

The Director of the JRSO and the Director of the SSO will serve as *ad hoc* members of the JRAB, and the Chair of the JRAB may invite observers.

3.1. Chair

The Chair of the JRAB is a U.S. scientist selected to provide scientific and managerial leadership. The initial Chair of the JRAB serves for one year. Subsequent Chairs serve for two years. Chairs may serve consecutive terms.

Appropriate salary and logistical support for the Chair may be provided through the U.S. Science Support Program (USSSP) in 2025, after which the workload is expected to decrease to a volunteer position.

3.2. Scientific Representation

Five leading senior scientists (in addition to the Chair) are selected to serve on the JRAB on 3-year staggered rotations. New members are selected by the U.S. National Science Foundation based on recommendations from the JRAB. Members may serve consecutive terms.

(4) Decisions

The JRAB reaches decisions through consensus of the members present. In the event that consensus cannot be reached, the U.S. National Science Foundation provides the JRSO and SSO with the requisite guidance.

(5) Meetings

The JRAB convenes as needed to execute its mandate.