



Oxalis Community Founding Meeting

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Background Document for Voting Item 3

Election of Oxalis Community Management Team Members

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1 Introduction

As stated in the Provisions and described in the Background documents for voting item 1 Approval of preliminary Governance Model, the Oxalis Community will be managed and organised by the elected representatives from the Community gold member organisations.

The scope of this document is to cover the election of Oxalis Community Management Team members - at the Oxalis founding meeting November 19th 2020.

At the meeting the organisations with voting rights will be invited¹ to:

1. Formally approve the first term (of the management positions elected): ending at the next annual Statutory Meeting in the Oxalis Community (expected by the end of first quarter 2021)
2. Formally approve the actual number of management positions to be elected for the first period
3. Evaluate the registered candidates
4. Elect the management positions according to the governance structure defined in the meeting (anonymous electronic ballot).

A call for candidates has been distributed to all listed Oxalis stakeholders, stating that the possibility to submit candidates to the Oxalis Management Team is open for all members with voting rights². Deadline for the submission of candidates was November 13th, 2020 (end of business).

Election procedures were distributed to members with voting rights on November 16th 2020, together with a presentation of the candidates.

Background document for election of Oxalis Community Members (this document) were uploaded at the Oxalis website November 16th 2020.

1.1 Background for the election of the Oxalis Community Management Team

The election of Oxalis Management Team Members will be based on the Oxalis Community Governance Model and Implementation Model (voting item 1³).

There is no permanent Oxalis Community governance structure in place at the founding meeting. As a result, an initial governance body will be put in place, to manage the Community until such an organisation can be implemented.

The Oxalis Community Management Team elected at the meeting November 19th 2020, will be the initial governance body of the Community.

The term of office for the Oxalis Community Management Team elected at the founding meeting will be up to four months, starting from the day of the meeting - and ending at the first annual Statutory Meeting in the Oxalis Community.

¹ Per the provisions approved at this founding meeting.

² Oxalis implementors who is registered as gold members of the Oxalis Community via the [Oxalis website](https://www.oxalis.network)

³ The Provisions and Governance Model are up for discussion and approval at the founding meeting.

The approval of a permanent governance structure is expected at the first annual Statutory Meeting in the Oxalis Community (Q1 2021⁴).



The Oxalis Management Team is expected to constitute itself within two weeks after the founding meeting.

The Oxalis Management Team is free to set up an advisory board – and invite to this board individuals who represent valuable competence and capacity (Oxalis Community membership is not⁵ a requirement).

1.2 Roles, Responsibilities and terms of office

As stated in the proposed Governance Model⁶, the primary responsibilities for the first elected Oxalis Management Team will be as follows:

- Appointing a Chair
- Appointing a member to the Interim Steering Committee
- Appointing an observer to the e-Delivery Community in OpenPeppol
- Strategic change management; defining the strategic priority of changes
- Defining and documenting the Oxalis Community governance bodies, to be implemented in 2021.

The team elected at the meeting November 19th, 2020 will be in office until:

- A more detailed governance model can be implemented, or
- The handing over of the Oxalis Software between NorStella and DFØ is revoked⁷.

⁴ Target date for the first Constitutional Meeting is end February or beginning of March 2021.

⁵ If the person is a non-member, he/she shall act as an advisor only.

⁶ [Voting item 1: Governance strategy](#)

⁷ Please refer to the [Document of understanding between DFØ and NorStella](#)

1.3 Size and structure of the Oxalis Community Management

There will be no predefined detailed instructions for the organisation of the Oxalis Management Team.

The team is expected to include **minimum 3 and no more than 5 members**.

The Governance Model and the Provisions of the Oxalis Community might change as a result of incoming requests for changes from the Oxalis members, and candidates can therefore be withdrawn at the day of the founding meeting.

1.4 Election procedures

Voting procedures for the approval of candidates for the Oxalis Community Management Team are listed below:

- Voting rights are limited to gold members only, with one (1) vote per organization.
- All items up for vote are described and documented as Voting Items 1 – 4, available from <https://www.oxalis.network/activities> .
- Members with voting rights can cast votes for any or all of the nominated candidates to the Oxalis Management Team, limited to 5 candidates.
- Members with voting rights are not required to vote for all nominated candidates.
- Approval of members to the Oxalis Management Team requires a minimum of 2 votes. If a candidate to Oxalis Management receives less than 2 votes, he/she is not elected.

Voting - practical implementation

- All members with voting rights will receive a link to the voting form (on Tuesday November 17th).
- Members with voting rights can cast their vote at any time before the meeting or during the founding meeting.
- Admission of votes will cease when called during the founding meeting, November 19th 2020.
- Aggregated voting results⁸ will be presented during the founding meeting and will be published after the founding meeting as part of the minutes of meeting.
- All submitted votes are subject to verification against the list of registered members. Votes can be manually verified by e-mail to the e-mail address registered in the list of gold members.

Please refer to chapter 3.2 in the [Agenda and notes](#) for information on voting eligibility and participation.

⁸ Individual votes will not be published.

2 Presentation of Candidates

As a result of the call for candidates to the Oxalis Management Team, the following 5 candidacies are received:

2.1 Anders Ødegård, TietoEVRY



The Oxalis accesspoint software is an important software component in our PEPPOL offerings in Norway, Sweden and Finland. We deliver PEPPOL services within Post-award (all documents), PEPPOL Enhanced security (Payments) and PEPPOL Enhanced security (eGovernment).

Therefore, it is important for us to participate in the Oxalis Management Team so that we can influence that the oxalis software will continue to be a good building block for delivering PEPPOL access point services.

2.2 Arun Kumar, Basware



Extensive knowledge & experience on e-invoicing norms and standards across the globe. Deeply associated with Peppol since last 10 years and exactly 9 years of extensive experience working with Oxalis. Extensively contributed & participated in OpenPeppol working groups in the past and continuously working with OpenPeppol working groups to take it to the next level. Contributed in number of Open-Source Projects like Apache Camel, Oxalis, CIPA e-delivery, Restlet, Nutch etc.

Contributing & participating in number of OpenPeppol platform, forums, encouraging & supporting interoperability between different solutions and dedicatedly running "Peppol Integrator and Developers" LinkedIn group. Note on candidacy⁹

⁹ Arun Kumar is both candidate for the role as Technical Expert and as member of the Oxalis Community Management Team. If Arun Kumar is selected for Peppol Technical Expert role then other Basware candidate - **Harri Ylismaa** will be Baswares Nomination for Management position. If for some reason, Arun Kumar will not be able to get Peppol Technical Expert role then Basware will nominate Arun Kumar for Management position. Arun Kumar will represent Basware in Management position if decision need to be made among two Basware nominations.

2.1 Janne Waren, Visma



Oxalis currently is an important part of our operations in Peppol so we would like to be there trying to ensure it stays alive and gets necessary updates in the future.

I am a software developer implementing Oxalis integration for both sending and receiving, so I could give a technical perspective to this management team.

2.2 Paul Simons, Codabox



As motivation for our candidacy we can bring as added value, both as Codabox and myself. Codabox is a certified AP on the Peppol network and Oxalis user. As such, Codabox can bring in the necessary experience.

Being leader of different workgroups and communities, I can bring in the necessary experience.

2.3 Rune Lindseth, Compello



We are one of the largest users of Oxalis today in distribution volume, and it is important for us to participate actively in the future development of Oxalis.

We also think that we would be able to participate in a positive way to ensure that Oxalis is compliant with Peppol requirements at all times and remains a good and stable product for all members.

3 Voting item 3 – election of candidates

The Oxalis gold members assembled¹⁰ on November 19th, 2020 are asked to decide the following:

- The term of office for the Oxalis Management Team elected at the founding meeting will be up to four months, starting at the day of the meeting, and ending at the first annual Statutory Meeting in the Oxalis Community, when a more permanent governance body can be implemented.
- The Oxalis Management Team shall include a **minimum of 3 and no more than 5 members**.

The Oxalis gold members assembled¹¹ on November 19th, 2020 are asked to elect up to 5 of these candidates to the Oxalis Community Management Team:

- Anders Ødegård, TietoEVRY
- Arun Kumar, Basware¹²
- Janne Waren, Visma
- Paul Simons, Codabox
- Rune Lindseth, Compello.

¹⁰ Assembled in order to inaugurate the Oxalis Community as a community under the NorStella foundation.

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¹² Basware representative to the Management Team is dependent on the role of Technical Expert, see note to chapter 2.4