

Elections of new members of EOU Council – EOU Turku 2017

The statutes of the EOU (which are shown on the EOU website) lay down rules about the composition of the Council, about the routine retirement of members of Council and the officers and about how new members of Council should be sought. In order to maintain a balance, both geographically and in terms of the expertise of members, the statutes lay down that a nominating committee should present a list of candidates for election at the general meeting. The nominating committee is chaired by the immediate past president of the union and comprises three other senior ornithologists (who on this occasion were Olivier Doligez, Jane Reid and Jiří Reif).

In accordance with established procedures, all members of the EOU were invited earlier in the year to put themselves forward as potential new members of Council, both through a notice on the union's website and through e-mails. The nominating committee reviewed the resultant list of volunteers and their recommendations are shown below.

Brief biographical notes on each of the candidates are given in the appendix to this notice.

Those retiring from the Council this year are:

Daniela Campobello (Italy), **Robert Matix** (Hungary), **Swen Renner** (Germany), **Arie van Noordwijk** (Netherlands), **Tomasz Wesolowski** (Poland)

Continuing members of Council are:

Officers:

Barbara Helm (UK, currently President)

Jan-Åke Nilsson (Sweden, currently President-Elect)

Oliver Conz (Germany, Treasurer)

Ordinary members continuing are:

Andrey Bushuev (Russia)

Arne Hegemann (Sweden)

Elena Arriero (Spain)

James Reynolds (UK)

Jan Engler (Germany)

Judy Shamoun-Baranes (The Netherlands)

Madeleine Scriba (Switzerland)

Marko Mägi (Estonia)

Matthias Weissensteiner (Austria)

Peter Laszlo Pap (Romania)

Tamer Albayrak (Turkey)

Officers

By natural progression of officers according to EOU Statutes, **Jan-Åke Nilsson** (Sweden) will become President, and **Barbara Helm** (United Kingdom), will become Past President. Oliver Conz (Germany) will continue as Treasurer. The position as Secretary (currently **Susi Jenni-Eiermann** (Switzerland) and President-Elect will need to be filled in Turku.

Nomination for election as Secretary

The committee is pleased to ask the General Meeting to elect

Susi Jenni-Eiermann (Switzerland)

to continue in office as Secretary of the EOU.

Nomination for election as President Elect

The committee is pleased to ask the General Meeting to elect

Alfonso Marzal (Spain)

as the new President-elect of the EOU.

Nominations as Ordinary members of Council

The committee has received nine submissions. All these candidatures have been unanimously positively assessed by the committee but only four persons can be elected. The EOU aims for a well-balanced Council both geographically and with respect to gender.

Alexandre Roulin (Switzerland)

András Liker (Hungary)

Blandine Doligez (France)

Grzegorz Neubauer (Poland)

Mark Mainwaring (UK)

Mateo Griggio (Italy)

Petra Sumasgutner (Austria)

Sara Lupi (Italy)

Wieland Heim (Germany)

Appendix: Additional info on the candidates

Candidates for election as President Elect

Alfonso Marzal Spain – <https://sites.google.com/site/biologiacelularyetologia/>

Candidates for election as Secretary

Susi Jenni - Eiermann – <http://www.vogelwarte.ch/de/vogelwarte/ueber-uns/team/mitarbeitende/susi-jenni-eiermann>

Candidates for election as ordinary members of Council

Blandine Doligez (France) <https://lbbe.univ-lyon1.fr/-Doligez-Blandine-.html?lang=fr>

Mateo Griggio (Italy) – https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Matteo_Griggi

András Liker (Hungary) – <http://ornithology.limnologia.hu/people/andras-likier/>

Grzegorz Neubauer (Poland) – https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Grzegorz_Neubauer

Wieland Heim (Germany) – <http://www.uni-muenster.de/Oekosystemforschung/en/mitarbeiter/heim.html>

Sara Lupi (Italy) – https://www.researchgate.net/profile/Sara_Lupi

Mark Mainwaring (UK) – <https://sites.google.com/site/markcmairwaring/home>

Alexandre Roulin (Switzerland) – <http://www.unil.ch/dee/roulin-group>

Petra Sumasgutner (Austria) – <http://www.fitzpatrick.uct.ac.za/fitz/staff/postdoctoral/sumasgutner>