

Call for Board candidates

Mandate 2020-2022

EURASHE announces hereby a call for candidates for the election of **seven Board members** at the upcoming **General Assembly on 19 May 2020 in Bulgaria** for mandates of 2 years.

This concerns the mandates of Armando Pires (Vice-President), Paul Hannigan, Juan Carlos Hernandez Buades, Alicia-Leonor Sauli-Miklavčič, Ewa Stachura, Eric Vermeyleylen, Nijole Zinkeviciene.

Call for candidates

EURASHE full members are invited to nominate candidates for the election of seven Board members. Candidates are requested to submit the following documents:

1. A vision statement on the strategy for EURASHE in the coming 2 years;
2. A motivation letter indicating the willingness to accept the nomination and to assume the office;
3. A CV with a photo;
4. A letter of endorsement signed by the full member's legal representative.

The Board member is expected to act accordingly to the function as described within the Article 15 of EURASHE Statutes, represent EURASHE within the given mandate and actively contribute to the policy agenda in general as well within the Working groups. Therefore, indication of preference to follow one or more topics within the EURASHE strategy (Fulfilling the PHE mission in the changing world by quality; Relevant & flexible learning for digital society; Addressing local needs through regional engagement; Bringing innovation and development through user-oriented research) might be given within the motivation letter.

Candidacies should be submitted by **24 April 2020** to Michal Karpíšek, Secretary General, at michal.karpisek@eurashe.eu.

Vice-President election

Immediately after the election of the seven Board members the full Board will convene and seek the candidacy of its members for the position of one Vice-President. The General Assembly will then elect, from the candidates, the Vice-President of EURASHE, for a 2-year mandate.

Annex to the Call for Board candidates Provisions within the EURASHE Statutes

Title II – Members

Article 5 – Full Members

- (1) National associations of higher education institutions in the EHEA representing individual institutions and recognised as such by their member state authorities are eligible to apply for Full membership.
- (2) Recognised and quality assured institutions of higher education (either autonomous institutions or faculties, institutes and departments, etc. within autonomous institutions) within the EHEA are eligible to apply for Full membership.
- (3) Full Members shall have the right to vote at the General Assembly meetings, to **nominate candidates for the membership of the Board** and to stand for election to the Board.

Article 6 – Associate Members

- (1) Associate membership is open to international sectorial networks of higher education institutions within the EHEA.
- (2) Associate Members shall have the right to vote at the General Assembly meetings, but **shall not be entitled to nominate candidates for the membership of the Board and to stand for election to the Board.**

Article 7 – Affiliate Members

- (1) Affiliate membership is open to:
 - a) recognised individual institutions of higher education and associations of higher education institutions outside the EHEA;
 - b) institutions of higher education or national associations of higher education institutions within the EHEA that do not meet all full membership criteria;
 - c) as well as any other bona fide organisation active in the field of higher education worldwide.
- (2) Affiliate Members shall **not be entitled either to vote at the General Assembly meetings or to nominate candidates for the membership of the Board or to stand for election to the Board.**

Title V – Board

Article 15 – Functions

- (1) The Board is the executive body of the Association.
- (2) In particular, the responsibilities of the Board are:
 - (a) to determine the overall and day-to-day policy of the Association;
 - (b) to propose the budget to the General Assembly for adoption;
 - (c) to monitor the finances of the Association and present the annual accounts to the General Assembly for approval;
 - (d) to prepare and present policies to the General Assembly for approval;
 - (e) to propose bylaws to the General Assembly for adoption;
 - (f) to implement the decisions of the General Assembly;

- (g) to accept new members of the Association in accordance with the bylaws adopted by the General Assembly and makes recommendations to the General Assembly about termination of membership;
- (h) to monitor and coordinate the Working Groups;
- (i) to determine the emoluments of the Secretary General for his/her time and expenses;
- (j) to decide upon the relocation of the registered office within the Brussels Capital Region;
- (k) in case of litigation, to jointly take the necessary actions both as a plaintiff and as a defendant. Such responsibility may also be delegated by the Board to the Secretary General, on behalf of the Association.

Article 16 – Composition

- (1) The Board consists of ten (10) members, as follows:
 - a) the President
 - b) two (2) Vice Presidents
 - c) the Treasurer
 - d) six (6) members
- (2) The President, Vice Presidents and six (6) Board members are elected by the General Assembly for a term of two years, and they may stand, after their first term, for re-election for two (2) consecutive further terms.
- (3) The Board appoints the chairs of the Working Groups from among its membership.
- (4) If the President cannot complete his/her term, the Board shall appoint one of the Vice Presidents as acting President for the rest of the term. If a Vice President cannot complete his/her term, the Board shall appoint one of its members as acting Vice President for the rest of the term.
- (5) A Board member, including the Treasurer, may be dismissed by the General Assembly before the end of his/her term if he/she is deemed not to act in the best interest of the Association.
- (6) A Board member, including the Treasurer, wishing to resign from the Board may do so at any time and shall submit a formal resignation letter to the President, who shall immediately inform the Board, with a copy to the Secretary General.
- (7) The Treasurer is an ex officio member of the Board. He/she does not have voting rights.
- (8) The Secretary General assists the Board and takes part in its meetings. He/she is not a member of the Board and does not have voting rights.

Article 17 – Operation

- (1) The Board shall meet at least four times a year. Meetings of the Board shall be convened in writing by the President with minimum four (4) weeks' prior notice.
- (2) The Board shall decide by a majority vote of its members present.
- (3) The Board may make decisions in writing without holding a meeting (per rollam). Decisions made per rollam shall be entered in the minutes of the following Board meeting.
- (4) The President, the Vice Presidents and the six regular members have one vote each. The President has a casting vote.
- (5) The decisions shall be entered in the minutes, which shall be kept at the registered office and may be consulted by the members of the Association on request.