
EASE Business

Nominations for Members of Council to serve from 2009 to 2012

No further nominations for Council were received by the deadline of 18 June 2009. As given in the May issue of ESE, the proposed members of Council to serve for three years, from the Annual General Meeting, which is to be held in Pisa on 16 September 2009, are as follows:

President	Joan Marsh (United Kingdom)
Vice-President	Alison Clayson (France)
Vice-President	Reme Melero (Spain)
Treasurer	Roderick Hunt* (United Kingdom)
Secretary	Sheila Evered* (United Kingdom)
Members	
	Eva Baranyiová (Czech Republic)
	Mare-Anne Laane (Estonia)
	Moira Johnson* (United Kingdom)
	Ana Marusic** (Croatia)
	Petter Oscarson** (Sweden)
	Edward Towpik** (Poland)
	Sylwia Ufnalska** (Poland)

* In attendance *ex officio*

** New members of Council

EASE Secretary

Sheila Evered will be relinquishing some or all of her duties as Secretary to EASE after the conference in Pisa in September. We are therefore seeking a successor for her and would like to encourage members to apply. Exact hours (minimum probably 2 days) and honorarium to be determined. Please send a CV with covering letter, marked PRIVATE, to:

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Deadline for receipt of applications: 1 September 2009.

Publicity Officer

EASE is looking for a Publicity Officer. This is an unpaid post, but think of the glory of putting it on your CV! You would liaise with Council and other Committees to obtain news of EASE activities, then send press releases to relevant newsletters and websites. Assembling a list of relevant newsletters would be a first task – starting with all those free e-bulletins to which people subscribe so that they can fill up their inbox. If you are interested, please contact Joan Marsh (jmarsh@wiley.com)

Membership Changes

New Members - Individual

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Changes

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Countdown to Pisa

Or should it be count up as we eagerly monitor the number of registrations? We have realised that the registration facility is not as intuitive as it might be and apologise for any inconvenience this may have caused. Please persevere as it's going to be worth it! We have everything in place for a fantastic conference. Each session now has an appointed chairman, busy working out how best to integrate all those submitted abstracts. The menus have been chosen – plenty of delicious Italian food, including vegetarian options.

We've had another change to the programme as Adam Wilkins is unfortunately unable to attend. Luckily, we have managed to secure David Vaux, of La Trobe University in Australia, and a member of ICSU's Committee for Freedom and Responsibility in the Conduct of Science. David will discuss the incidence of errors in the scientific literature and ways in which editors can reduce these and correct the scientific record when they occur.

There will be plenty of display space, so please bring fliers or brochures for your journal, association, or whatever. We can also display posters relating to the same: if you would be interested in doing this, please contact Sheila Evered (secretary@ease.org.uk).



Programme Committee



EASE members' news

Eric Lichtfouse (Eric.Lichtfouse@dijon.inra.fr) sends news of his forthcoming book on scientific writing in French, to be published by Springer in August 2009 [and reviewed in ESE in due course]. *Rédiger pour être publié ! Conseils pratiques pour les scientifiques* will explain to a French-speaking audience how to write a scientific article in the computing age.

Eric says: "I have designed guidelines from the main writing errors found in thousands of research papers that I have edited. Though most advice in this book aims at improving research articles, the principles explained here apply also to PhD theses, industrial reports, advertisements, cover letters, curriculum vitae, blogs, and press releases. Indeed all those documents have in common the communication of an advance, a discovery, an innovation, or a difference versus existing knowledge.

"This book describes how to structure a research article and how to correct specific errors, so that your article can be understood by a wide readership, eg your future employer or funding agency.

"I emphasize how to adapt the writing style to the new means of communication using computers and the internet. You will find also a new writing tool, called the micro-article, that will help you focus your zillions of results on only one novel finding."

Funding for research on publication ethics

The Committee on Publication Ethics – COPE – offers research grants of up to £5,000 to "fund research in the field of publication ethics for a defined research project that is in the broad area of the organisation's interests and specifically in the area of ethical standards and practice in academic publishing." Grants are awarded twice a year. Next deadline for submission of proposal is **1 December 2009**.

For more information, visit <http://publicationethics.org/research/grantscheme>