

EADH Election Report, June 2018

Elections Committee 2018:

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ELECTION PROCESS

Vacancies: 2

Election Schedule:

March 15th: deadline for subscribing to AOs or to DSH

March 22th: Call for Nominations

April 15th: Close of nominations

April 25th: Send materials to OUP

May 17th: Elections Open

July 6th: Elections Close

Results will be announced at EADH AGM on June 27th

Number of eligible candidates: 3

Silvie Cinková

Mikko Tolonen

Joris van Zundert

0 are current EADH Executive Committee members seeking re-election.

0 are currently co-opted Executive Committee members seeking election.

3 have not previously served on the committee.

2 are male

1 is female

No candidate is Black or Minority Ethnic (BME).

Countries represented:

Czechia, Finland, The Netherlands

Total electorate:

857

ELECTION RESULTS

Total ballots cast:

212 (24,7%)

Candidates elected:

Silvie Cinková
Mikko Tolonen

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0 are currently co-opted Executive Committee members seeking election.
2 have not previously served on the committee.

1 is female
1 is male

No elected candidate is Black or Minority Ethnic (BME).

Countries represented:

Finland (1), Czechia (1)

Chair's notes:

- 1) All candidates submitted statements under the required 200 word threshold.
- 2) All candidates and their nominators are members of EADH.
- 3) All candidates had 2 nominators, and no nominator nominated more than one candidate.
- 4) In the 2018 Election 6 email addresses recurred twice in the members lists.
Action: Only the first occurring email address received the token (action automatically managed by the voting system).
Recommendation: All AOs and EADH when soliciting for the renewal of the DSH subscription must stress that the email address must be unique in the "EADH realm", otherwise one of the persons using that address will be unable to vote.
- 5) Communication with OUP has not been as smooth as we would like. The membership (DSH subscribers) and the election are managed by different people. The membership excel list is not well structured (title, first name and last name can occur in any permutation and sequence in any of the three fields; foreign character sometimes are not resolved). OUP seems happy to be lightly involved in codifying the election process, but overall this is a minor concern of theirs.
Action: None
Recommendation: It has been suggested that in future years we run our own elections. This could considerably increase the workload, and has ramifications for confidentiality, but would give us greater overall control. It may be worth having a preliminary discussion as to determine whether the idea deserves further investigation.

6) In order to ease the work of the future Elections committees, this year the Elections committee has been writing an "elections manual": the timing and sequence of communications and operations is very important given the interaction with many AOs and with OUP – and it is not easily understandable for a person who has no previous experience in this field.

With the same aim, this year we tried to define fixed dates for the electoral process, so that all the interested parties are aware from very early on of what will happen and what they are supposed to do and/or receive.

Recommendations will be issued to OUP in order to insert in the DSH renewal invitation a reminder that members should complete their resubscriptions no later than March 15 in order to participate in the elections.