

## **Activities Report 2014**

### **General information**

The European Society for Evolutionary Biology was founded in the year 1987. On January 27, 2010 the society placed its constitution on record in a notarial act. The society is registered at the Dutch Chamber of Commerce with registration number 09216606.

### **Purpose**

The purpose of the European Society for Evolutionary Biology is to support the study of organic evolution. For this reason the society:

- releases the Journal of Evolutionary Biology;
- organizes congresses and scientific meetings;
- supports scientific research concerning organic evolution;
- supports activities to promote a scientific view of organic evolution in education and research.

### **Board**

On December 31 2014, the board of the European Society for Evolutionary Biology consisted of the following members:

- B. Charlesworth,
- L.W. Beukeboom,
- M.G. Ritchie,
- R.K. Butlin,
- D. Ebert,
- J.H. Graf von der Schulenburg,
- N. Perrin,
- L. Keller

### **ESEB performed the following activities during 2014**

In accordance with the foreseen activities in the Policy Plan 2013-2015 the following activities have been realised. See the accompanying annual Budget Plan for the detailed accounting of these activities.

- Publication of the Journal of Evolutionary Biology: 6 issues in 2014
- Preparation for the European Congress of Evolutionary Biology in Lausanne in 2015
- Selection of the venue of the European Congress of Evolutionary Biology in 2017 and 2019
- Preparation for the joint congress of the European Society of Evolutionary Biology (ESEB) and the Society for the Study of Evolution (SSE) in Montpellier in 2018
- Sponsoring of the annual meeting of European PhD students in Evolutionary Biology (EMPSEB) with €15,000

- Selection of the JMS Prize winner 2014 (€5,000)
- Managing the Society's Outreach Initiative (€15,000)
- Managing the Society's Global Training Initiative (€12,000)
- Managing the Society's Conference Travel Award Initiative (€10,000)
- Managing the Godfrey Hewitt Mobility Awards Initiative (€10,000)
- Installing the Stearns Graduate Students Prize

**These activities will be continued in 2015 in accordance with the Policy Plan 2013-2015**

In addition, (the Executive Board of) ESEB has been involved in

- Maintaining the Society's contacts with Wiley Blackwell for publication of the Journal of Evolutionary Biology
- A discussion with our North American sister society, the Society for the Study of Evolution (SSE), on the launching of a new journal "Evolution Letters"
- Managing the Society's memberships
- Managing the Society's financial situation in terms of expenditures and income, as well as its bank accounts
- Preparing a budget plan for 2015 and a long-term spending plan
- Managing the ESEB office
- Organization of the Elections of new board members
- A discussion on the establishment of an Equal Opportunities Committee
- General other businesses associated with the Society

**These activities will be continued in 2015**

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Leo Beukeboom

Roger Butlin

Michael Ritchie

Hinrich Schulenburg

