

Activities Report 2016

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*
- co-publishes the journal *Evolution Letters*
- 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 2016, the board of the European Society for Evolutionary Biology consisted of the following members:

- Leo W. Beukeboom,
- Roger K. Butlin,
- Jacintha Eilers,
- J. Hinrich Graf von der Schulenburg,
- Laurent Keller,
- Juha Merilä,
- Michael G. Ritchie,
- Nina Wedell

ESEB performed the following activities during 2016

In accordance with the foreseen activities in the Policy Plan 2015-2017 the following activities have been realised. See the accompanying Annual Report 2016 for the detailed accounting of these activities.

- Publication of the *Journal of Evolutionary Biology* and *Evolution Letters*
- Preparation for the European Congress of Evolutionary Biology in Groningen in 2017
- 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
- Selection of the venues of the European Congress of Evolutionary Biology in 2019 and 2021
- Sponsoring of the annual meeting of European PhD students in Evolutionary Biology (EMPSEB) with €15,000





- Managing the Society's Conference Travel Award Initiative (€ 15,000)
- Managing the Society's Equal Opportunities Initiative (€ 15,000)
- Managing the Society's Godfrey Hewitt Mobility Awards Initiative (€ 10,000)
- Managing the Society's Global Training Initiative (€ 12,000)
- Managing the Society's JMS Prize 2016 (€ 5,000)
- Managing the Society's Outreach Initiative (€ 20,000)
- Managing the Society's Stearns Graduate Students Prize 2015 (€ 1000)
- Established and managing the Society's Equal Opportunities Initiative (€ 15,000)
- Launched and managing the Society's Special Topic Networks Initiative (Budget € 60,000)

These activities will be continued in 2017 in accordance with the Policy Plan 2015-2017

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*
- The agreement with our North American sister society, the Society for the Study of Evolution (SSE), on the launching of the jointly owned journal "Evolution Letters" in 2016
- 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 2017 and a long-term spending plan
- Managing the ESEB office
- Preparation of the elections of new board members in 2017
- General other businesses associated with the Society

These activities will be continued in 2017

<i>Place,</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Signature</i>
Groningen	20.08.17	Jacintha Ellers	 ESEB Executive Vice President
		Laurent Keller	 ESEB President
		Michael Ritchie	 JEB Editor-in-Chief
		Hinrich Schulenburg	 ESEB Secretary