

Elections of a new IALE-Europe Executive Committee and Council Representative 2022-2025

July 2022

Dear IALE-Europe members,

The elections for a new Executive Committee (EC) of IALE-Europe and a new Representative of IALE-Europe in the IALE-Council will be organised from 15 July to 15 October 2022. The current EC is in its final year of the present term and is initiating a new EC election process. We hope this election will encourage the members to take an active involvement in the activities of IALE-Europe.

Since the elections were postponed to 2022, the next EC and representative of IALE-Europe will be elected for a period of three years (instead of four, due to the postponement of the European Congress to 2022) and will take seat until the next General Assembly at the 2025 IALE European Congress. The General Assembly of IALE-Europe organised on 11 July 2022 decided to organise the elections electronically and thus, the next EC will be installed immediately after the closing of the electronic election. The current Executive Committee will work with the new EC to ensure a smooth transition.

A **nomination committee** is in charge of the coordination and control of the nominations and elections. The nomination committee is selected among the members of the IALE-Council representing the European chapters to provide regional representation and valid information concerning the received nominations. The nominating committee, with the consent of the nominee, may also make nominations. The committee consists of Teresa Pinto-Correia, the current representative of IALE-Europe in the Council of IALE, Emilio Padoa-Schioppa (representative of IALE Italy), and Marketa Santruckova (representative of IALE Czech Republic).

Are you a candidate for the new EC?

- All members of IALE-Europe (individual members and national chapters with a collective membership) registered on the date of 15 July 2022 are invited to form election lists with a programme and candidates for the list. The nomination form for election lists can be found on the website (www.iale-europe.eu).
- People who are not a member of IALE-Europe at this moment but want to be included in a list of candidates can send the form and pay the membership fee to the treasure before 15 September 2022 (see: www.iale-europe.eu/membership).
- People who are interested in joining a list but do not have any other collaborators can contact the nominating committee.
- The final election lists should be sent to the chair of the Nomination Committee, Teresa Pinto-Correia (<u>mtpc@uevora.pt</u>), not later than 15 September 2022.
- Questions concerning the procedure can be directed to the chair of the nomination committee.

Are you a candidate for the new IALE-council representative?

- The IALE Council represents the interests of the regional chapters of IALE and supports and monitors the activities of the Executive Committee of IALE-International. In Europe, all national chapters as well as IALE-Europe have a representative in the IALE Council (<u>https://www.landscape-ecology.org/IALE-Council</u>).
- Nomination of candidates shall be made by two members of IALE-Europe in good standing and shall be consented to in writing by the nominee's signature (see nomination form below and on the website). The

nominee and the two nominating members must personally sign the form before sending it to the nominating committee.

- The candidate must be a member of IALE-Europe on the date of 15 September 2022. If elected as IALE-Europe representative, the candidate should accept to step down from other positions in the IALE Council or positions in the Executive Committee of IALE-Europe. People who are not a member of IALE-Europe at this moment and want to be nominated as representative should send the membership form and pay the membership fee to the treasure (or the European chapter or their own regional chapter) before 15 September 2022 (see: www.iale-europe.eu/membership).
- The final nominations should be sent to the Secretary General of IALE-Europe, Simona Gradinura (<u>simona.gradinaru@g.unibuc.ro</u>), not later than 15 September 2022.
- Questions concerning the procedure may be sent to the chair of the nomination committee.

Who can vote?

- Voting is carried out at the General Assembly, comprising each regular member of IALE-Europe in good standing, who are either individual members or members of a national chapter that has a group membership (Denmark, Germany, Italy, Portugal, UK). For these elections, the membership list of 15 September 2022 will be used as the reference. People who are not a member of IALE-Europe at the moment of the election should send the completed membership form and pay the membership fee to the treasurer (of the European chapter or their own regional chapter) before 15 September 2022 (see: www.iale-europe.eu/membership).
- Voting procedure (see articles 16 and 17 of the Statutes) of an electronic voting: "Not later than three months after the general assembly all received lists of candidates together with policy statements of the lists should be distributed to all members currently in good standing, a ballot containing the names of the received and confirmed lists. The ballot shall be a secret electronic ballot. To be valid, ballots must be returned to the chair of the nomination committee by the end of the last day of the scheduled election, not less than 1 month after the distribution of the election material."

The install the new Executive Committee as soon as possible, the General Assembly of 12 July decided to reduce the period for submissions of the lists of candidates from three to two months.

Deadlines

- <u>15 July 2022</u>: The announcement of the election is sent, members who are on the membership list of IALE-Europe on this day are encouraged to participate in the formation and submission of candidate lists to the IALE-Europe Executive Committee as well as to nominate a representative for IALE-Europe in the IALE-Council to the nominating committee.
- <u>15 September 2022</u>: Deadline for submitting lists of candidates for the Executive Committee and proposals for nomination should be sent to the chair of the nominating committee; nominations for the Representative to the Council of IALE to the Secretary General
- <u>1 October 2022:</u> Launching of the electronic elections
- <u>15 October 2022</u>: Announcement of the results by a newsflash and on the webpage of IALE-Europe

Since IALE-Europe is a democratic organisation, we would like to encourage all of you to participate in the elections, by voting or forming a list. We see this election also as an occasion for all of you who are not yet a member to join the European chapter and looking very much forward to you engagement.

Warm regards,

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Chair of the Nominating Committee	President IALE-Europe	Secretary General IALE-Europe