

Elections of a new IALE-Europe Executive Committee and Council Representative 2025-2029

September 2025

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 held during the next General Assembly (2nd September 2025), which will take place during the IALE European Landscape Ecology Congress in Bratislava. 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.

The next EC and representative of IALE-Europe will be elected for a period of four years and will take seat until the next General Assembly at the 2029 IALE European Landscape Ecology Congress. The next EC will be installed immediately after the closing of the election on the European Congress in September 2025. The current Executive Committee will work with the new EC to ensure a smooth transition.

Elections are organized in accordance with the IALE-Europe statutes which can be found on the website: <u>https://iale-europe.eu/iale-europe-elections-2025-2029</u>

A **nomination committee** oversees 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 three members: Emilio Padoa-Schioppa (representative of IALE Italy) who will act as the Chair of the nomination committee, Christian Albert (representative of IALE Germany) and Marc Metzger (representative of IALE UK).

Are you a candidate for the new EC?

- The Executive Committee consists of a president, a secretary general, a treasure and at least three other members. It is in charge of the management of the activities and responsibilities of IALE-Europe and to maintain the vitality of the organisation and effectively represent the interests of IALE-Europe.
- All members of IALE-Europe (individual members as well as members from national chapters with a collective membership) registered on the date of 2 September 2025 are invited to form election lists with a programme and candidates for the list. The nomination form for election lists can be found below and on the website (www.iale-europe.eu).
- Individuals 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 treasurer before 2 September 2025 (see: https://iale-europe.eu/join).
- Individuals who are interested in joining a list but do not have any other collaborators can contact the Chair of the Nomination Committee or another member.
- The final election lists should be sent to the chair of the Nomination Committee, Emilio Padoa-Schioppa (emilio.padoaschioppa@unimib.it) not later than 2 September 2025, at least two hours before the start of the General Assembly.
- 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 (https://www.landscapeecology.org/IALE-Council).
- 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 <u>on the</u> <u>website</u>). 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 2 September 2025. 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. Individuals 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 2 September 2025 (see: https://iale-europe.eu/join).
- The final nominations should be sent to the chair of the Nomination Committee, Emilio Padoa-Schioppa (emilio.padoaschioppa@unimib.it) not later than 2 September 2025, at least two hours before the start of the General Assembly.
- Questions concerning the procedure may be sent to the Chair of the Nomination Committee.

Who can vote?

- Voting for the new Executive Committee and the representative for the Council is carried out by the General Assembly (see articles 19 General Assembly of the Statutes). The General Assembly comprises of regular members of IALE-Europe in good standing, who are either individual members or members of a national chapter that has a group membership (Germany, Italy, Portugal, UK).
- The General Assembly will take place 2 September 2025, during the IALE European Landscape Ecology Congress in Bratislava, now planned at 18:30 CET (see Congress Program here https://iale2025.sav.sk/programme/).
- For the elections, the membership list of 2 September 2025 will be used as the reference. People who are not a member of IALE-Europe but want to vote at the General Assembly should send the completed membership form and pay the membership fee to the treasurer (of the European chapter or their own regional chapter) before 2 September 2025.
- Voting procedure (see article 16 and 17 of the Statutes)
 - In case <u>one list</u> is presented, the voting will take place during the General Assembly: "In the event that there is only one list received and accepted by the nomination committee, election of the candidates of the list by acclamation will be indicated by a simple majority of the votes by members at the General Assembly.
 - In case more lists are presented, an electronic voting procedure needs to be established: "Not later than three month 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."

Key dates

- <u>2 June 2025</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>2 September 2025 (16:30 CET)</u>: Deadline for submitting lists of candidates for the Executive Committee and nominations for the council representative should be sent to the Chair of the Nomination Committee.
- <u>2 September 2025 (18:30 CET)</u>: Start of the General Assembly and elections for the period 2025-2029.
- **<u>2 September 2025</u>**: results of the elections are communicated to the members
- **<u>15 October 2025</u>**: minutes of the General Assembly and results of the elections will be published on the webpage

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 your engagement.

Warm regards,

Chair of the Nominating Committee	President IALE-Europe	Secretary General IALE-Europe
Emilio Padoa-Schioppa	Veerle Van Eetvelde	Simona Gradinaru



Form for nomination list of the Executive Committee of IALE-Europe 2025-2029

September 2025

Nomination list:

President:

Name: Email: Affiliation: Signature:

Secretary General:

Name: Email: Affiliation: Signature:

Treasurer:

Name: Email: Affiliation: Signature:

4th member:

Name: Email: Affiliation: Signature:

5th member:

Name: Email: Affiliation: Signature:

Additional member(s) (optional, list can be extended but a minimum of 5 members re needed):

Name: Email: Affiliation: Signature:

Additional member(s):

Name: Email: Affiliation: Signature:

Please add position statement of the list at next page >

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> Position statement of the list: program, actions you would like to take in the period of 2025-2029 (max. 500 words)



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Form for nomination of the Representative of IALE-Europe for the Council of IALE 2025-2029

September 2025

The following member of IALE-Europe is hereby nominated for the position of Representative of IALE-Europe for the Council of IALE-International

Name: Email: Affiliation: Signature:

Position statement (max. 200 words):

The nomination is recommended by the following members of IALE-Europe:

Name: Email: Affiliation: Signature:

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