

2020 Elections of new SCOR Officers

Summary

The Nomination Committee recommends the following 'slate' for election from the 2020 SCOR Meeting:

SCOR President: Sinjae YOO (South Korea) to serve until 2024

SCOR Vice-Presidents: Stefano ALIANI (Italy), Bradley MORAN (USA) and Jing ZHANG (Japan) each to serve until 2022.

In generating this slate, the views of the Nomination Committee were unanimous and would achieve a good balance of nationality, gender and discipline across the SCOR Executive as a whole.

Thus, the new SCOR Executive going forward from 2020 would comprise:

<i>Role</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Country</i>	<i>Gender</i>	<i>Discipline</i>
President	Sinjae YOO	Korea	Male	Biology
Past-President	Marie-Alexandrine SICRE	France	Female	Geochemistry
Secretary	Paul MYERS	Canada	Male	Physics
Vice-President	Stefano ALIANI	Italy	Male	Ecosystems
Vice-President	Bradley MORAN	USA	Male	Biology
Vice-President	Jing ZHANG	Japan	Female	Chemistry
Co-opted	Nuria Casacuberta AROLA	Switzerland	Female	Radiochemistry
Co-opted	Jacqueline UKU	Kenya	Female	Biology
Ex-officio IABO	Enrique MONTES	(USA)	Male	Biology
Ex-officio IAMAS	Joyce PENNER	(USA)	Female	Atmosphere
Ex-officio IAPSO	Trevor McDOUGALL	(Australia)	Male	Physics

Process in detail

In 2019, the SCOR Executive (EXEC) requested a Nomination Committee (NC) comprising Peter Burkill (Past SCOR Chair, UK) to serve as Chair with Isabelle Ansoorge (RSA), Lennart de Nooijer (NL) and Xiaoxia Sun (China-Beijing), to generate a slate of new SCOR Officers to replace those retiring. The NC issued a call to SCOR National Committees which resulted in the following nominations that were received chronologically: Italian SCOR nominated Stefano Aliani as Vice-President; Japan SCOR nominated Jing Zhang to serve as a second term as Vice-President; Korean SCOR nominated Sinjae Yoo to serve either as President or to serve a second term as Vice-President; US SCOR nominated Bradley Moran to serve either as President or as Vice-President.

The NC welcomed the nominations and confirmed that each nominee was eligible to serve. They considered the gender balance of 6 male and 5 female on the EXEC as a whole, was equable. The NC considered the disciplinary balance was acceptable; they noted the shortage of hard-rock marine geology experience on the EXEC but that this might be rectified later through Co-option. The NC felt that the geographical balance across the different continents was acceptable although they noted the absence of South America representation; again, this might be rectified through Co-option later. The NC felt the nominations collectively would add significantly to the SCOR EXEC.

Regarding the Presidency, the NC unanimously favoured Sinjae Yoo be elected President for two reasons: a) his previous two years' experience serving on the SCOR Executive as well as attending various SCOR meetings before this, and b) the fact that despite being formed as an international organisation in 1957, SCOR had yet to have a President from an Asian country.

Peter Burkill
Chair 2020 Nomination Committee