

EUROTOX Early Career Forum (ECF) kick-off



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Executive Committee Member

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RATIONALE, GOAL AND ELIGIBILITY

☑ Rationale: background and motivation

- Retreat EUROTOX Executive Committee in February 2023
- Definition of strategic objectives for the future of EUROTOX
- Increasing the involvement of early career researchers set as a priority

☑ Goal: set up a group of motivated early career researchers to

- Represent and serve as a voice for early career scientists in EUROTOX
- Be involved in all EUROTOX activities
- Propose and set up new EUROTOX activities customized for early career scientists
- Develop towards an autonomously acting group, yet supervised by and in continuous collaboration with the EUROTOX Executive Committee

☑ Eligibility: definition of a EUROTOX ECF early career researcher

- Having maximum 10 years of professional/research experience following receipt of the highest obtained degree (bachelor/master/PhD/...)
- Being EUROTOX member (member society/individual member/corporate member)

ORGANIZATION AND PLANNING

- ☑ **Publish the call for ECF expression of interest**
 - Launched during the EUROTOX conference in September 2023
 - Registrations received from more than 100 researchers worldwide
- ☑ **Organize webinars to inform registrants**
 - 10 November 2023 (morning and afternoon)
 - Overview of goals, planning and organization
 - Launch the call for setting up the ECF core team
 - Questions by the registrants
- ☑ **Select the ECF core team**
 - Deadline for application on 15 January 2024
 - Selection/discussion during EUROTOX Executive Committee meeting in February 2024
 - Inform selected applicants in March 2024
- ☑ **Initiate ECF activities**
 - Meetings of the ECF core team with Manon and Mathieu in March-April 2024
 - Meeting(s) organized by the ECF core team with ECF members in May-June 2024
 - First activity during the EUROTOX conference in September 2024

ECF CORE TEAM (2-years term)

☑ 1 chair

- Act as ECF lead and main point of contact
- Act as EUROTOX Executive Committee liaison
- Draft operational guidelines

☑ 1 co-chair/chair-elect

- Support the chair for specific tasks
- Act as substitute for the chair in case of absence
- Draft an activity plan

☑ 1 secretary

- Organize ECF meetings
- Document ECF meetings and events
- Draft a communication plan

☑ 5 officers

- Provide general support to the core team
- Take to the lead in specific activities organized for members
- Act as ECF ambassadors and maintain contact with members

ECF CORE TEAM APPLICATION (max. 1 A4 PDF page)

General information

- First and last name
- Date of birth
- Gender (woman/man/non-binary/prefer not to say/...)
- Country of birth
- Country of current residence
- Highest degree (bachelor/master/PhD/...)
- Graduation date of highest degree
- Current affiliation
- Contact information (e-mail address/telephone number/...)
- Membership to EUROTOX

Motivation for application, including personal expectations

Vision on ECF, including proposals for organization of activities

Deadline: 15 January 2024 (send to mathieu.vinken@vub.be)

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