# Proposed eceee board candidates for the 2023 election: Report from the nomination committee

Dear eceee member,

This is the report from the nomination committee for the 2023 eceee Board election.

The eceee annual General Assembly will be held 31 August 2023, 15.00 CET, as an online event. You are heartily welcome to attend. See

https://www.eceee.org/about-eceee/governance/general-assembly/ for agenda and other materials

You may join the meeting by accessing this zoom link:

The bylaws require that each year one third of the board retires. These board members may stand for re-election once if they wish, so in total a board member may serve for two consecutive three-year terms. The alternate for individual members is elected every year for a one-year term. The bylaws further stipulate that 50% of the board must represent organisational members. A President may be re-elected for a third term.

As a general rule we suggest that existing board members who wish to serve for a second term are endorsed by the nomination committee unless there is a pressing need to change the composition of the board (e.g. to bring in new competences; or to adjust the geographical, gender or age balance to better reflect the composition of eceee’s membership). In this way, the organisation will benefit from the understanding of eceee affairs that these board members have developed during their first term of office.

We believe that at present we have a strong board. However, are aware that there are some imbalances, including too few women and young people and no transport expertise. There are not enough seats to address all imbalances at once, and the board itself will have to execute its governance so those and other issues are taken into consideration. We would encourage members to propose for the next General Assembly candidates who address some or all of the imbalances listed above.

We propose to keep the board at the size of 12 members, the maximum allowed by the bylaws, and the proposal will retain these strengths:

* Extensive experience, expertise and active commitment;
* Networks in most of the areas in which eceee operates;
* An intimate knowledge of eceee as an organisation;
* A broad mix of country and regional representation;
* A mix of individual members and organisational members;
* A good mix of continuity and new perspectives through new board members.

## Seats up for re-election and remaining board members

There are five (5) positions that stand open, four ordinary board members and one alternate. Presently these positions are held by:

#### Eligible for re-election

* Andrea Roscetti (Kyoto Club) has served on the board for one term and is eligible for re-election.
* Rod Janssen (individual member) has served on the board for one term and is eligible for re-election.
* Paula Fonseca (individual member) is eligible for re-election but has decided to step down.
* The alternate for individuals, Jens Laustsen, Danish Energy Agency is eligible for re-election either as ordinary member or as alternate.

#### Not eligible for re-election

* Cédric Jeanneret, Services Industriels de Genève, has served for two terms and he must now leave the board according to the bylaws.

According to the by-laws half the board must consist of organisational members. We currently have five organisations represented on the board that are not up for re-election, so one of the members elected this year must represent an organisation.

Remaining on the board (not up for re-election) this year are:

* Clemens Rohde, Fraunhofer ISI, Germany (organisational board member)
* Simon Minett, Challoch Energy, Belgium (organisational)
* Sibylle Braungardt, Öko-Institut, Germany (organisational)
* Didier Bosseboeuf, Ademe, France (organisational)
* Adrian Joyce, EuroACE, Belgium (organisational)
* Erwin Cornelis, Belgium (individual)
* Jan Rosenow, Regulatory Assistance Project, Belgium (organisational)
* Vesna Kolega, Silvosus, Croatia (individual)

## Nominations

In addition to the current board members eligible and available for re-election the nomination committee is grateful for the following nominations. All are very strong candidates:

* Kurt Bisang, Swiss Federal Office of Energy. Kurt is in charge of implementation of energy efficiency programmes, policies and appliances at national level.
* Stefan Büttner, Fraunhofer Stuttgart, Germany. Stefan is Director of Global Strategy and Impact for Fraunhofer’s Institute for Energy Efficiency in Production, and co-leads work on the circular economy and climate neutral manufacturing.
* Pedro Moura, University of Coimbra, Portugal. Pedro is Assistant Professor at Coimbra and a researcher at the Institute of Systems and Robotics. His research focuses on demand-side management and demand response within smart grids and energy planning.
* Pimmie Schulz, Viegand & Maagoe, Denmark. Pimmie is a building engineer and project manager within energy management and energy efficiency in new and existing buildings, and has worked with multiple Danish municipalities.
* Faye Wade, University of Edinburgh, UK. Faye is a Chancellor’s Fellow in Sociology and Deputy theme leader on UK Local and Regional Energy Systems within the UK Energy Research Centre. Her work focuses on energy efficiency supply chain issues.

## Our proposal

The nomination committee recommends that this year, the following people are elected to the board:

* Andrea Roscetti, Kyoto Club (Organisational member – re-election).
* Rod Janssen, (Individual member –re-election).
* Jens Henning Laustsen, Danish Energy Agency (Organisational member, previously alternate for individuals).
* Kurt Bisang, Swiss Federal Office of Energy (Organisational member)
* Faye Wade, (Alternate for individual members). We recommend this with a view to Faye becoming an ordinary individual member of the board at the next AGM when further posts become available.

### Motivation for our proposal

We believe that the proposed Board enhances the solid competence from national energy agencies by converting Jens’ alternate membership to ordinary organisational membership and adding in the Swiss Federal Office of Energy. It increases the geographical spread by retaining Swiss representation and adding a representative from the UK and adds younger board members whilst retaining the experience and commitment that Andrea and Rod bring.

We are sorry not to be able to accept the other proposed candidates at this point. We thank them for their interest, and recommend that eceee involve them in other activities such as the summer study.

We would ideally have liked to address the age and gender imbalance more than we have been able to, without losing the value of experience. We recommend that the Board actively investigate the establishment of an advisory group where more experienced and formerly active board members could continue to contribute, and have their importance to eceee recognised, once they leave the Board.

We did not receive any nominations for people with transport energy expertise and hence this remains a gap in the Board’s skills. Once again, we encourage eceee members with transport expertise to put themselves forward next year for election to the Board.

The eceee nomination committee, August 2023

*Kirsten Dyhr-Mikkelsen  
Juraj Krivosik  
Joanne Wade  
  
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VOTE BALLOT FORM, eceee board election 2023

***Deadline for receipt of ballots is 16:00 Wednesday 30 August 2023.***

***Send to:*** eceee, Sveavägen 98, 4tr, SE-113 50 Stockholm, Sweden or [eceee@eceee.org](mailto:eceee@eceee.org)

***Members may also cast their vote during the digital General Assembly at 15.00 Wednesday 31 August 2023. See*** <https://www.eceee.org/about-eceee/governance/general-assembly/> ***for more details***

***My name:*** *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

***If representing an organisational member, its name:*** *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

**Note**: Each organisation may cast one vote. That organisation’s vote is weighted three times that of an individual.

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**RECOMMENDED NEW BOARD MEMBERS** – Board Election 2023

Note: The bylaws stipulate that a third of the board will be replaced annually. Elected board members will be elected for a three-year period. See the nomination committee proposal for further details available at the 2021 [General Assembly page.](https://www.eceee.org/about-eceee/governance/eceee-board/general-assembly-2021/) https://www.eceee.org/about-eceee/governance/eceee-board/general-assembly-2021/

*As organisational members*

* Andrea Roscetti, Kyoto Club
* Jens Henning Laustsen, Danish Energy Agency
* Kurt Bisang, Swiss Federal Office of Energy

*As individual member*

* Rod Janssen

*Alternate for individual members (on a one-year term)*

* Faye Wade

☐ I agree with the above recommendation for board members.

☐ I have drawn a line through (struck out) the name of one or more organisational or individual members above and want to replace them with the following:

***Candidate name(s):*** *\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_*

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