

Minutes PAGES EXCOM Meeting

27 and 29 October 2020

Online

Members: Willy Tinner (Co-Chair), Mike Evans (Co-Chair), Zhimin Jian, Darrell Kaufman, Katrin Meissner, Blas Valero-Garcés, Liping Zhou

IPO Staff: Marie-France Loutre, Sarah Eggleston

1) New PAGES Working Group proposals

The EXCOM approved the creation (new or extension) of the following working groups, subject to meeting specific conditions:

Proponent	Title of proposed working group
Daniele Colombaroli	DiverseK - Integrating diverse knowledge systems for environmental policy
Nathalie Dubois	Human Traces - Synthesizing human traces in the stratigraphic record

2) Endorsed meeting proposals

The EXCOM determined that for sessions at meetings to be endorsed by PAGES, they must be endorsed by a PAGES working group (past or current) and will then be advertised as a session of that working group.

3) ECN and SSC

Tamara Trofimova will be invited to join the SSC as the ECN representative, starting in January 2021

4) News

- The OSM/YSM has been postponed to May 2022
- A visiting Fellowship for Africa (grants to promote mobility of early-career African researchers within Africa) will be established as a pilot study. If successful it could be extended to other parts of the world
- A possible database fellowship will be explored
- Specific support for outreach in various forms will be explored
- One issue of the PAGES Magazine (April/May 2021) will be dedicated to PAGES 30th anniversary; former co-chairs will be interviewed on camera
- A possible celebration of PAGES' 30th anniversary (potentially virtual or postponed to 2021) will be explored
- Zhimin Jian will take over for Michael Evans on 1 January 2021 as PAGES co-chair
- The next SSC meeting will most probably take place online from 17 to 21 May 2021

5) Future Earth update

The Future Earth restructuring process started in 2020 following their fifth-year audit. Michael Evans was involved in the Task Force created to develop a plan in response to this external review and is now involved in the implementation team.

6) Other items

Blas Valero-Garcés and Darrell Kaufman will rotate off of the EXCOM and SSC at the end of 2020. Willy Tinner and Marie-France Loutre warmly thanked them for their involvement during the last six years.