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**To:** Adhering Bodies of the IUBMB

**Subject:** Call for nominations to the IUBMB Executive Committee – **deadline December 6, 2017**

Dear Colleagues,

The IUBMB requests your help in identifying and nominating suitable candidates for the elections to the IUBMB Executive Committee, which will take place in 2018. Each vacancy must be filled by a vote of the Delegates at the IUBMB General Assembly in Seoul, Korea on Wednesday, June 6, 2018.

The following positions on the IUBMB Executive Committee will need to be filled in 2018:

- 1) **President-Elect**;
- 2) **General Secretary**;
- 3) **Treasurer** (the present member, Francesco Bonomi from Italy, will have served for 6 years and will seek re-election to this position for a final 3-year term);
- 4) **Member for Congresses & Focused Meetings**;
- 5) **Member for Publications** (the present member, Avadhesh Surolia from India, will have served for 6 years and will seek re-election to this position for a final 3-year term).

The job descriptions for these 5 positions can be found on the IUBMB website ([www.iubmb.org](http://www.iubmb.org)) at:  
<http://iubmb.org/guidelines-statutes/job-descriptions/>

The current Executive Committee of IUBMB would particularly like to encourage nominations of female scientists and scientists from all areas of the world for the vacant positions. The nomination procedure is described in the IUBMB Statutes available on the IUBMB website (<http://iubmb.org/guidelines-statutes/statutes-and-by-laws/>) [see “Statute 6. Executive Committee: Composition and Appointment” and especially Statutes 6.8 to 6.11]. The main steps with the corresponding deadlines can be summarized as follows:

Each nomination by an Adhering Body should be made separately in writing for each candidate and should be accompanied by a three-page curriculum vitae and a signed statement from the nominee stating acceptance of

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nomination for the proposed assignment, so as to reach the General Secretary at least 6 months before the General Assembly (i.e. before December 6, 2017).

The General Secretary will forward these nominations to the Chair of the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee will propose new candidates for the Executive Committee, and the General Secretary will circulate their names to the Delegates and to the Contact Persons of all Adhering Bodies no later than 3 months in advance of the General Assembly (i.e. before March 6, 2018).

In addition to nominations received from the Nominating Committee, the General Assembly can also receive nominations from any 3 Adhering Bodies acting jointly. These nominations should be: (i) made separately in writing for each candidate, (ii) signed by at least 3 Adhering Bodies; (iii) accompanied by a signed statement from the nominee stating acceptance of nomination for the proposed assignment; and (iv) reach the General Secretary at least 4 weeks before the General Assembly (i.e. before May 9, 2018).

The Executive Committee looks forward to receiving your nominations so that the Nominating Committee will be able to select the best candidates from a diverse group of nominees for each of the vacant positions. Thank you for your attention to this very important process.

Yours sincerely,

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