

# Rules for the Nomination of Fellows of the European Physical Society

## Limitation on Numbers

- The total numbers of Fellows at any one time should not exceed 5% of the total of Individual Members of the SOCIETY.

## Eligibility

- Individuals whose achievements in physics, whether in research, industry or education and/or through commitment to the SOCIETY warrant specific recognition are eligible to become EPS Fellows. Examples of such achievements may be:

*Research: An outstanding publication and/or EPS conference presentation record. A remarkable discovery or an outstanding contribution to a field of physics.*

*Industry: Development of a new instrument of broad use in the physics community. An outstanding invention. Development of innovative software of broad use. A major role in establishing or running a physics-based business.*

*Education: An outstanding contribution to physics education is teaching, examining and/or establishing new curricula. Authorship of physics textbooks or other education material of broad use. Outstanding achievements in outreach of physics to young people.*

*SOCIETY: Substantial service to the SOCIETY over a number of years in a variety of roles.*

- No one will be denied EPS Fellowship on the grounds of nationality, sex or religious beliefs.
- Normally only those individuals who have been Individual Members of the SOCIETY for at least five years are eligible as EPS Fellows. However, exceptions will be made for those who have made significant contributions to the running of the SOCIETY.

## Nominations

- Only EPS Members (Individual Members, Member Societies and Associate Members) may make nominations for EPS Fellows.
- No person can be nominated while that person is a member of the Executive Committee.
- No person may make a nomination while a member of the Executive Committee.
- No self-nominations will be accepted.
- Nominations may be made at any time. Nominations must normally be received no later than 31 January of the year of the Council meeting that will decide on the Fellows to be admitted that year.
- All nominations must be accompanied by the following documentation:
  - Support letters from at least three EPS Members, including the principal nominator. These support letters should not all come from the same country nor from the same institution.
  - A CV of the proposed Fellow.
  - A brief description (maximum one A4 page) describing why the individual deserves to become an EPS Fellow. This should include the achievements in research, industry, education and/or service to the physics community or the SOCIETY that justify the nomination.

- A short citation.

### **Elections**

- Nominations will be made to the EPS Fellowship Committee (care of the EPS Secretary General). The committee will review all nominations and offer recommendations to the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee will prepare a list of candidates recommended for EPS Fellowship for approval by Council.
- Council shall be asked to elect EPS Fellows during its regular annual meetings. A simple majority of Council Members present and voting is necessary to elect an individual to EPS Fellowship.

### **Right and Duties of EPS Fellows**

- EPS Fellows shall have all rights and responsibilities of Individual Members. In addition the person may add 'EPS Fellow' to his/her title, and use the designation 'EPS Fellow' on business cards, letterhead, etc.

EPS Fellows shall pay membership fees as an Individual Member.

### **Revocation**

- Fellowship is terminated upon termination of Individual Membership in the SOCIETY.