Appendix 2 to EARSeL Statutes

**EARSeL SIG chairperson election process**

Every 4 years, EARSeL holds elections for Special Interest Group chairpersons representing very important groups of remote sensing within the EARSeL member laboratories.

- Each candidate has to be an EARSeL laboratory member.
- The candidate is asked to send the following documentation to the EARSeL Secretary (secretariat@earseel.org) until the 30th of September:
  - half-page motivation letter indicating Special Interest Group of interest;
  - half-page plan outlining planned Special Interest Group activities for the four-year electoral term;
  - one-page CV containing achievements in connection with the field of remote sensing.
- The EARSeL Secretary prepares a list of candidates (including motivation letter, action plan and CV of each candidate) and sends it to the EARSeL Council member official e-mails (listed on the EARSeL web pages) until the 31st of October.
- Each EARSeL Council member picks two out of the candidates for one specific Special Interest Group. All votes have to be returned until the 31st of December.
- The EARSeL Secretary prepares ranking lists of all candidates for all EARSeL SIGs one week in advance of the EARSeL Council meeting held in winter.
- All SIG chairpersons have to be accepted by EARSeL Council and Bureau members during the EARSeL Council meeting to be held in winter (each EARSeL Council and Bureau member has one vote in the election process during the EARSeL Council meeting).
- The four-year electoral term starts on the 1st June.
- The four-year electoral term is renewable. A criterion for a re-election is a successful activity (updated web pages, bi-annual SIG Workshops or yearly thematic sessions during Symposia, support or nomination of SIG members to local organisers of Symposia, e.g. chairing, reviewing and organising thematic sessions, publications of SIG contributions, e.g. thematic papers, special issues in EARSeL journals, EARSeL Books).