



EARSeL SIG chairperson election process (2021) for the term 2021 - 2025

Every 4 years, EARSeL holds elections for Special Interest Group chairpersons representing very important groups of remote sensing within the EARSeL member laboratories. Currently, 16 SIGs are active within EARSeL. This call is also an opportunity for any EARSeL member to propose a new SIG.

The following rules are applied to this call:

1. Each candidate must be an EARSeL member.
2. The submission of a common candidacy by two applicants is encouraged.
3. The candidate(s) is asked to send the following documentation to the EARSeL Secretariat (secretariat@earsel.org) before **March 12, 2021**:
 - 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 and a photo.
4. After the submission deadline the EARSeL Secretary will prepare a list of valid applications (including motivation letter, action plan and CV of each candidate) and send it to the EARSeL Council member official e-mails (listed on the EARSeL web pages).
5. Each EARSeL Council member can vote for one application (one to two candidates) for each specific Special Interest Group. All votes have to be submitted before **April 30, 2021**.
6. The EARSeL Secretary will compile the election results which will have to be approved by the EARSeL Bureau and Council during the meetings organized in the frame of the 40th EARSeL Symposium (7-10 June 2021).
7. The four-year electoral term will start on **July 1, 2021**.
8. The four-year electoral term is renewable. A criterion for re-election is a successful activity (up-to-date website, organisation of SIG Workshop every 2 or 3 years and/or thematic sessions during Symposia or Workshops; 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 co-journals).
9. The Bureau has the right to exclude any chairperson from his/her position if
 - the MoU for chairpersons is not followed or
 - the chairperson is not an EARSeL member anymore