

## **BRITISH PHYCOLOGICAL SOCIETY: FEPS REPORT**

### **Report for BPS Council Meeting and AGM, January 2019, Oban.**

#### **1. FEPS Website.**

For the FEPS website, including announcements of conferences, training workshops for 2019, newsletters etc. see <https://www.facebook.com/FEPSalgae/>

A new database on invasive seaweeds in Europe is being developed on the website.

#### **2. FEPS Journal: Perspectives in Phycology.**

Latest issue [Vol. 5 (1) June 2018] consists of 5 review papers.

See: [www.schweizerbart.de/journals/pip/instructions?af=search-](http://www.schweizerbart.de/journals/pip/instructions?af=search-)

#### **3. FEPS Annual Council Meeting and AGM, September 2018, Galway.**

(i) The FEPS Council members were guests of Algal Biosciences and the National University of Ireland, Galway, during the iARC: Irish Algal Researchers' Conference. This conference included 28 oral presentations and 13 posters, largely presented by Irish phycologists.

(ii) Appointment changes: Professor Olivier De Clerck (Belgium) completed his term as FEPS President and began his appointment as immediate Past President. The new FEPS President is Professor Cecilia Totti (Italy) and new President-elect is Professor Zrinka, ZL (Croatia and local organiser of the next EPC).

#### **4. Individual membership of FEPS.**

In addition to the main membership made up of the established European phycological societies, personal membership of FEPS is possible for phycologists in countries throughout Europe and neighbouring countries which have no national phycological society. The new President is developing an initiative to identify and encourage personal membership from the latter countries.

#### **5. IPC7: 7<sup>th</sup> International Phycological Congress, Zagreb, Croatia, 25-30 August, 2019.**

ZL presented a progress report on the organization of EPC7. The main congress venue and accommodation will be at the Esplanade Zagreb Hotel (5\*). A range of other accommodation (4\*, 3\* and hostels) is also being arranged.

Registration fees before 1st March 2019 (Euros), are: 400 (FEPS member); 480 (non-FEPS member); 250 (student); 150 (accompanying person). After 1<sup>st</sup> March, fees will increase to (Euros): 550, 600, 380 and 200, respectively.

See website for deadlines and format for abstracts etc:

EPC7 Zagreb - or – [epcseven.biol.pmf.hr/](http://epcseven.biol.pmf.hr/)

Discussions are in progress with Taylor and Frances on publishing the book of abstracts.

FEPS is not planning to sponsor individual speakers but limited student support is being sought including from the Croatian Phycological Society.

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