REPORT OF IPA’S NOMINATING COMMITTEE, 2018

In January, 2018, Zhonghe Zhou, acting in his capacity as President of the IPA, appointed a Nominating Committee to solicit and review potential nominees to stand for election at the Ordinary Meeting of the General Assembly in Paris, France, to serve as IPA’s officers for 2018-2022.

Members of the Nominating Committee were: Michael Benton (United Kingdom), James Crampton (New Zealand), Jiayu Rong (China), Roger Thomas (USA) and Béatriz Waisfeld (Argentina). The committee was chaired by Michael Benton and convened by Roger Thomas, acting on behalf of the Secretary-General.

Officers, delegates of corporate members, and individual members at large of IPA were invited to submit names of potential nominees. Several rounds of discussion and balloting were conducted electronically by the committee. Invitations were sent to candidates selected by the committee and their willingness/availability to serve was ascertained. By the third week of April, 2018, the Nominating Committee had completed its work. The candidates who have been nominated for election as officers of IPA for the 2014-2018 term are as follows:

PRESIDENT  Dr. Sylvie Crasquin (France)
SECRETARY-GENERAL  Dr. Renbin Zhan (China)
TREASURER  Dr. Danita Brandt (USA)
VICE PRESIDENTS
  Dr. James Crampton  (New Zealand)
  Dr. Khadija El Hariri  (Morocco)
  Dr. Tatsuo Oji  (Japan)
  Dr. Roger Thomas  (USA/UK)
  Dr. Beatriz Waisfeld  (Argentina)
COUNCILLORS-AT-LARGE
  Dr. Anusuya Chinsamy-Turan  (South Africa)
  Dr. Peter Doyle  (United Kingdom, Editor of Lethaia)

The Constitution of the International Palaeontological Association specifies that additional nominations may be submitted to the Secretary-General, prior to the General Assembly, provided that such nominations are supported by at least five other Members, are made in writing, and are received by the Secretary-General before the opening of the 2018 meeting of the General Assembly in Paris.

R. D. K. Thomas, Past Secretary-General  27th April, 2018