



## EUROPEAN ASSOCIATION OF ORGANIC GEOCHEMISTS (EAOG)

### Call for Candidates for EAOG Board Membership

In September 2009, the second term of two of the EAOG Board members (Lewis and González-Vila) will end and, as they are not eligible for re-election, new members have to be elected. The Board is nominating two candidates – Ian D. Bull and José A. González-Pérez (biographies attached) – for the open positions, but in accord with the Articles of EAOG, other candidates can also stand for election, providing their nomination is supported by seven EAOG members and include a declaration by the candidate that she or he is prepared to serve as a member of the Board. The candidate should also supply a short biography and, optionally, a short election address, both together not exceeding one page.

In case of nominations in addition to those from the Board, the established procedure requires that election to the Board be by ballot of the EAOG membership. Ballot forms will be sent by e-mail during July 2009 and will also be available on the website. Members not receiving a ballot form should contact the Secretary. The results will be made public at the EAOG General Assembly in Bremen in September 2009. The term of new Board members will be for four years, with re-election being possible once.

If there are no additional nominations to those of the Board, there will be no ballot and the Board's nominees will be elected during the General Assembly.

Nominations must be received by the EAOG secretary not later than 30th June 2009 at the following address (preferably by e-mail):

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## **José A. GONZÁLEZ-PÉREZ – Short Biography**

B.Sc. (Hons.). (Universidad de la Laguna, Tenerife, Spain, 1986)

Ph.D. (Univ. Dundee, Scotland, UK, 1992)

Current position: Research Scientist at IRNAS-CSIC (2006-) <http://www.irnase.csic.es>

### Past positions:

Post-Doctoral "Ramón y Cajal" position at IRNAS-CSIC, Sevilla (2001-2006)

Field Project Expert at UNIDO, Vienna (1998-2001)

Post-Doctoral position at CCMA-CSIC, Madrid (1994-1998)

Post-Doctoral position at IUBO, Univ. La Laguna, Tenerife (1992-1994)

PhD Student, SCRI, Dundee, Scotland (1988-1992)



Scientific and technical activities of Dr. González Pérez embrace basic research as well as applied research for technology transfer and consultancy for public and private companies and development agencies. His main actual research lines are in the field of environmental organic geochemistry, including organic matter and soil health, refractory C forms in nature, molecular characterization of soil organic matter and its agronomic and environmental implications, biogeochemical markers in soils and sediments.

Part of Dr. González-Pérez Sci-Tech activities were focussed to development and International collaboration in relation with global environmental problems, such is the depletion of stratospheric ozone (Montreal Protocol). In this aspect, he worked as International Field Expert for the United Nations (UNIDO-ONU) in various countries (China, Syria, Dominican Republic, Georgia, Jordan, Morocco).

Actually Dr. González-Pérez participates in different International initiatives: "Natural Molecular Structures as Drivers and Tracers of Terrestrial C Fluxes" (MOLTER) an ESF Project and "Structuring Infrastructures for the Analysis and Experimentation on Ecosystems" (ANAEE) EU FP7. He is member of the European Association of Organic Geochemists (EAOG), European Geosciences Union (EGU) and the International Humic Substances Society (IHSS).

During c. 20 years of scientific activity, Dr González-Pérez has participated in more than 40 R+D national and international research projects. He is author or co-author in up to 80 scientific papers and 4 invention patents. He has organized important scientific events being Co-chairman of IMOG22 (Seville, 2005), Charman of PYR08 (Lanzarote, 2008) and Chairman of IHSS15 (Tenerife, 2010). His findings have been presented in numerous national and international congresses as invited conference and ordinary oral/poster presentations. He has supervised three Ph.D. theses and is actually supervising two PhD projects at Sevilla University.

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## **Ian D. Bull – Short Biography**

Ian began his academic career studying for a BSc (Hons) degree in Chemistry at the University of Bristol in 1990. Having completed an undergraduate research project with Torren Peakman he chose to remain in Bristol to study for a PhD, within the Organic Geochemistry Unit (OGU) under the guidance of Richard Evershed; he completed this in 1997. The thesis was entitled 'New molecular methods for tracing natural and anthropogenic inputs to soils and sediments'. Having been awarded a PhD he worked as a Natural Environment Research Council (NERC) funded postdoctoral research assistant on a project investigating the trophic interactions of soil mesofauna.

Having developed a keen interest in hyphenated mass spectrometric techniques and their application to the life sciences, in 2001, Ian became manager of the NERC Life Sciences Mass Spectrometry Facility Bristol Node (LSMSF-Bristol). This was followed by being made a permanent University Research Associate in 2003 and then promotion to a University Research Fellow in Biogeochemistry in 2007.

Ian has a wide range of research interests including: (i) the molecular fate of organic matter in soil, (ii) soil faunal food webs and the effect that soil fauna have on the decomposition of soil organic matter, (iii) analysis organic pollutants in soils and freshwater and (iv) the decomposition and detection of human and animal remains in soils. He currently acts as an Associate Editor for the journal Organic Geochemistry and the European Journal of Soil Science. Ian spends much of his spare time growing far too many insectivorous plants. For additional information, including a full list of publications, see <http://www.ianbull.me.uk>.