**Society of Conservation Biology - Europe Section**

**Early Career Conservation Award 2023**

**Nomination form**

**Aim:**

To provide recognition for an early career conservationist in order to promote their work as exemplary conservation practice, whether this be through research, practical intervention, policy work or education, and inspire others to do similarly.

**Selection Panel:**

The SCB – Europe Section Board of Governors

**Eligibility:**

Candidates must be early career conservation professionals, defined as within 6 years of the highest achieved full-time education (e.g. PhD, MSc., BSc.) attained prior to working as a conservation professional. Nominees must have been based in Europe during their career OR must have included European ecosystems in their work.

The awardee will be announced at the 7th European Congress of Conservation Biology (ECCB) in Bologna in June 2024 where the successful candidate will be encouraged to participate to receive the award. Registration expenses linked to the attendance of ECCB will be covered by the SCB – Europe Section.

**Criteria for selection:**

The successful applicant will have evidence of achievement in some aspect of conservation science and practice.  This may be through research and its application to practical conservation problems, practical interventions, policy work and/or education.

Applications will be assessed on quality of research, innovation, conservation relevance, policy impact, education, outreach, and knowledge sharing.

**Deadline for applications:**

This form must be completed and submitted to europe@conbio.org by **24:00** **BST on the May 17 2023.**

**Response:** All applicants will be notified of the result by June 16 2023.

**Enquiries:** Direct any questions toEurope@conbio.org or Laura Bosco ([laura.bosco@helsinki.fi](mailto:laura.bosco@helsinki.fi)).

**1) Nominee Information**

*Name:*

*Institution or organisation (if applicable):*

*Title:*

*Position/job title or equivalent:*

*Time since leaving full-time education (whether this be school, undergraduate or postgraduate); please indicate year of getting your degree if applicable:*

*Website or other online presence:*

**2) Nominee Contact information**

*Email:*

*Address:*

*Telephone [include country code for international dialling]:*

**3) Nominee's country of origin [for monitoring purposes only]:**

**4) Nominee's country of residence [for monitoring purposes only]:**

**5) How would you categorize the geographical scale of your/the Nominee’s achievements and how have you/the Nominee influenced conservation science at this scale?** *You may indicate more than one geographical category and more than one impact e.g., ‘Local: community groups in the vicinity of xx National Park’ and ‘European: policy amendments under the EU Habitats and Species Directive’ or similar.*

*Local (restricted area, district, or zone within a country):*

*National (across more areas / fields within a country):*

*European (more than one country):*

*Global (more than one country including countries beyond Europe):*

**5) Please describe your/the Nominee’s sub-discipline(s)** (please list no more than three).

**6) Your/the Nominee's Achievements and Aspirations** *(****250-500*** *words maximum)*

*[This description will be the principle source of information used in the selection process and voting. It should provide a brief resume of the individual, and clearly explain the achievements that deserve recognition. Some indication of future aspirations of the nominee would also be useful.]*

**7) Summary Statement** *(25 words maximum)*

*[This statement should indicate the core justification for the award. It will be used on the certificate if the nominee receives an award. For example, "For extraordinary contributions to the conservation of xxxx's biodiversity through leadership in xxx."]*

**Nominator Name and Contact Information / Supporting Letter Information**

**Self-nominations are welcome**. If this applies to you, please indicate that this is a self-nomination and that all contact details are the same as above.

**Nominator contact information (title, name, address, email, telephone number):**

**Supporting letters:**

*Please list here the names of min. 2 people providing letters of support and provide the letters as separate pdf files.* ***This nomination form is not complete without the letters included in the document.***

*If there are particularly important passages in these letters that you wish to bring to the Board’s attention, please highlight them in* ***BOLD****. We suggest that letters address the individual’s contributions to one or more of those aspects:*

* *On-the-ground conservation*
* *Research and publications*
* *Innovation and creativity*
* *Teaching and mentoring*
* *Public outreach*
* *Policy impact*

**Contact for Supporting Letter 1:**

*Name:*

*Address:*

*Telephone:*

*E-mail:*

**Contact for Supporting Letter 2:**

*Name:*

*Address:*

*Telephone:*

*E-mail:*