

EUROPEAN MYCOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION

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Basic information about the Association

Status. The *European Mycological Association* [EMA] is the *Regional Committee for General Mycology in Europe* and is a sustaining member of the *International Mycological Association* [IMA], itself is the *Section for General Mycology* within the *International Union of Biological Societies*. As such, the rôle of the **EMA** is to represent all European mycologists and all aspects of European mycology within the international framework of scientific societies. **Character.** The **EMA** is a learned scientific society embracing individuals (amateur or professional) and organizations (public or private) with an interest in European mycology. It is a not-for-profit, non party political organization. **Governance.** Under its constitution, a General Assembly meets at least once every four years, normally at **EMA** Congresses, to govern the *Association* and elect its Officers. Between those meetings, executive power lies with the *Association's* Council which itself meets at least once every two years and, on a day to day basis, with its Governing Committee which is answerable to Council and the General Assembly. **Address.** The address of the **EMA** is that of its current Secretary. **Scope.** For **EMA** purposes, Europe is defined as countries of continental Europe and the Atlantic, Arctic and Mediterranean islands traditionally associated with continental Europe (including all of the Russian Federation as far east as the Urals, the Caucasus, Turkey, Cyprus, Malta, the Canary Islands, Madeira, the Azores, the British Isles, the Faroe Islands, Iceland, Spitzbergen and Novaya Zemlya), and fungi are defined as all organisms of the kingdom *Fungi*, plus those other fungus-like organisms (downy mildews, slime moulds etc.) traditionally studied by mycologists. Lichen-forming fungi are therefore explicitly included.

Objectives

The objectives of the **EMA**, as set out in its Constitution are:

- to promote study of fungi;
- to disseminate knowledge and information about fungi;
- to promote conservation of fungi;
- to promote socially responsible handling of fungi (for example in medicine, plant and animal pathology, quarantine and pharmaceutical research);
- to establish and foster relations between those working towards such objectives, through meetings, electronic media, publications, and by promoting personal contacts, collaboration and the exchange of ideas and information;
- to improve the infrastructure of mycology within Europe;
- to provide European-level input to the **IMA**, and other international bodies and initiatives.

Applying for Membership

Who may apply. The *Association* invites mycologists and mycological societies with a genuine interest in European mycology to apply for membership. The following membership categories are available (full information, including current subscription levels, can be found on the *Association's* website, internet address given above): *Life Members*, *Ordinary Members*, *Student Members*, *Associates* and *Sustaining Members*. Societies may join only as *Ordinary Members* or *Sustaining Members*.

Benefits, rights and responsibilities. Members and Associates receive a discount in the registration fee for each *Congress of European Mycologists*. They also receive the **EMA Newsletter**, distributed electronically. Membership furthermore provides an opportunity to be part of the collective voice for mycology within Europe. Members may vote, and are eligible to serve as Delegates and Officers: Associates do not have these rights. For admission, all applicants must agree to abide by the **EMA** Constitution, and to follow its rules.

Recommendation and approval. Admission as a *Life Member*, *Ordinary Member*, *Student Member*, *Sustaining Member* or *Associate* requires the applicant to be recommended by two existing Members. New Members and Associates are subject to approval by the next meeting of the **EMA** Governing Committee or General Assembly, whichever occurs first. In other respects, admission follows the **EMA** current Rules.

How to apply. Get an application form. Copies are available from the **EMA** website or the **Membership Secretary**, Dr I. Kalucka, Department of Algology & Mycology, University of Łódź, Banacha Street 12/16, Łódź, 90-237, Poland. Fax: +48 42 635-46-60 [after May 2006 only]. E-mail: ikalucka@biol.uni.lodz.pl. Fill it in. Find two existing Members willing to recommend you (the **Membership Secretary** will advise applicants who know no *Association* Members). Get them to sign and date the form. Send the completed form to the **Membership Secretary**. The form may be submitted on paper (by conventional post or fax), or as a high quality image (PDF, BMP, TIFF or JPG format) attached to an e-mail (please put the words "application for EMA membership" in the topic line of the message). Other formats are not accepted.

Paying subscriptions. After the **Membership Secretary** has acknowledged that the application has been accepted subject to approval (see previous paragraphs), the applicant should send the appropriate subscription to Dr S. Diamandis, **Treasurer** (address: NAGREF - Forest Research Institute, Vassilika, Thessaloniki, 57006, Greece. Fax: +30 2310 461341. E-mail: diamandi@fri.gr). Information about subscription levels, and a form for making payments can be downloaded from the *Association's* website, internet address given above.

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Application Form for Membership of the European Mycological Association

Type of applicant: Individual Society **Application must be legible**

Information about individual applicant or about contact person within applicant society

Family name:

First name(s):

Patronymic [where appropriate]:

Title: Gender: M / F

Qualifications, honours etc.:

Society name [society applications only]:

Postal address:

Town / City:

County, Oblast', Province etc.:

Country: Post Code:

Tel.: Mobile:

Fax: E-mail:

Website:

Desired membership category (please select): Life Ordinary Student Sustaining Associate
[n.b. societies may only apply to be *Ordinary Members* or *Sustaining members*]

Interests (describe briefly):

Languages:

Any other information:

I wish / this society wishes (delete as appropriate) to join the *European Mycological Association* and agree(s) to abide by its constitution and rules

Signature: Date:

Position in society [society applications only]:

As current Members of the *European Mycological Association*, we recommend this applicant

Name: Signature: Date:

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Please send to: *European Mycological Association*, Dr I. Kałucka, Membership Secretary (address: Department of Algology & Mycology, University of Łódź, Banacha Street 12/16, Łódź, 90-237, Poland. Fax: +48 42 635-46-60 [after May 2006 only]. E-mail: ikalucka@biol.uni.lodz.pl)