

CALL for APPLICATIONS

to serve on the ECORD Facility Board of IODP from 2017-2019

DEADLINE: 2 December 2016

The European Consortium of Ocean Research Drilling (ECORD) is now accepting applications from active leading scientists from ECORD and US to serve as a **Science Board Member** of the **ECORD Facility Board**, the key forum for planning **mission-specific platform (MSP) expeditions** operated by ECORD.

Role and composition of the ECORD Facility Board (EFB): In the new architecture of the International Ocean Discovery Program (IODP) "Exploring the Earth beneath the Sea", each platform provider (NSF for the JOIDES Resolution (JR), ECORD for MSPs, and MEXT/JAMSTEC for the Chikyu) uses a Facility Board to make or inform decisions on the effective use of its drilling facility in fulfilling the objectives of the IODP Science Plan.

The ECORD Facility Board (EFB) is composed of a Science Board (currently 6 international scientists: 3 ECORD, 1 US, 1 US, 1 associated IODP member country, 1 Japan), the Executive Bureau (ECORD Executive Council Members, the EMA Director and the Chairs of ESO, ESSAC and ECORD-ILP), as well as representatives of IODP entities and funding agencies (see http://www.ecord.org/ecord-fb.html). We are specifically seeking 3 new EFB members: 2 from an ECORD member country, 1 from the US. The preferred science fields are: ocean crust, geodynamics and paleoceanography.

The primary tasks of the EFB are to:

- recommend MSP expedition schedules, based on ready-to-drill, high-priority science proposals, optimal geographic distribution and costs;
- assess the Annual ECORD Plan, including operations schedule, data management, publications, core curation, and scientific technical development;
- advise on long-term planning of MSP expeditions;
- participate in ECORD reviews of completed MSP expeditions; and
- liaise with all major entities of IODP.

The EFB meets once a year, usually in early spring. The new EFB members are expected to serve for three years, starting 1 January 2017. Travel costs for EFB-related activities are fully covered by the relevant IODP national funding organizations.

Application Process: Interested scientists should provide the ESSAC Office (see contact information below) with the following documents in PDF only: 1) a letter of interest, including your area of expertise, research interests and previous involvement in DSDP/ODP/IODP (if applicable), 2) a CV and 3) a list of publications. To avoid situations of conflict of interest, applicants should not be proponents on active MSP proposals that are in the review stage or have yet to be recommended for scheduling by the EFB. Please send your application directly to the ESSAC Office via electronic mail before 2 December 2016.

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