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EMBO welcomes 65 new members

Heidelberg, 16 June 2017 – EMBO announces today that 65 outstanding life scientists have been elected to its membership, joining a group of more than 1700 of the best researchers in Europe and around the world.

The total number includes 56 EMBO Members residing in 19 Member States of the European Molecular Biology Conference (EMBC) and nine EMBO Associate Members currently working in the USA and Japan.

“Election to the EMBO Membership is recognition of research excellence, and I am pleased to welcome so many great scientists to our organisation,” says EMBO Director Maria Leptin.

She continues: “We received more nominations than ever before during this election cycle, which pays tribute to the strength and diversity of the European life sciences. Drawing on our new members’ expertise and insight will be invaluable in helping EMBO to deliver and strengthen its programmes and activities in the years to come.”

EMBO Members are actively involved in the execution of the organisation’s initiatives by evaluating applications for EMBO funding and by serving on EMBO Council and Committees.

New EMBO Members and Associate Members will be formally welcomed at the EMBO Members’ Meeting in Heidelberg between 18 and 20 October 2017.

An online directory with all existing and new EMBO Members is available at people.embo.org.

Selected statistics about this year’s intake

- 40% women
- Average age of newly elected members: 50.8 years
- Newly elected members reside in 21 countries

About EMBO

EMBO is an organization of more than 1700 leading researchers that promotes excellence in the life sciences. The major goals of the organization are to support talented researchers at all stages of their careers, stimulate the exchange of scientific information, and help build a European research environment where scientists can achieve their best work.

EMBO helps young scientists to advance their research, promote their international reputations and ensure their mobility. Courses, workshops, conferences and

scientific journals disseminate the latest research and offer training in techniques to maintain high standards of excellence in research practice. EMBO helps to shape science and research policy by seeking input and feedback from our community and by following closely the trends in science in Europe. For more information: www.embo.org