



## **Fellowship and Professional Regulations**

# **NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF HONORARY FELLOWS**

### **1 Objective**

To ensure that the nomination and election process of Honorary Fellows is carried out in accordance with Clause 2.7 and 2.8 of the Byelaws.

### **2 Scope**

This Regulation covers the actions and responsibilities in making, receiving and processing nominations for the election of Honorary Fellows.

### **3 Related Regulations**

Reference should be made to the following related Regulations:

Regulation FP-07 Codes of Conduct

### **4 Criteria for Admission as an Honorary Fellow**

- i. Persons of distinction, scientists of exceptional merit, and persons who have provided exceptional service to the Geosciences may be elected as Honorary Fellows.
- ii. Honorary Fellows are recognised for their achievements and potential, not only in science but as ambassadors for geological science and its promotion to the wider public.
- iii. Honorary Fellows can be from any country in the world, including the United Kingdom.
- iv. There is no limit to the number of Honorary Fellows appointed by the Society.
- v. Nominations require a proposer and seconder.
- vi. Proposers and seconders do not have to be members of the Society.
- vii. Declaration from proposed the proposed Honorary Fellow that they agree to be bound by the Society's Codes of Conduct and that there are no grounds which would disbar Fellowship.

### **5 Benefits**

Honorary Fellows are entitled to the following benefits:

- i. May vote at Meetings of the Society and in Elections
- ii. Are exempt from payment of the Annual Subscription
- iii. Those listed on the Society's website.

## **6 Procedure**

- i. Nomination forms are received by the Membership Office and are passed to the External Relations Committee for consideration. External Relations Committee also proactively researches potential candidates and prepares a list of nominations.
- ii. External Relations Committee produces a list of nominations which are passed to Council for consideration.
- iii. If Council approve the nominations the President contacts the proposed Honorary Fellow(s) to ask if they would accept or reject the award.
- iv. If the candidate rejects the award no further action is taken.
- v. If the candidate accepts the award, the name of the nominated candidate is published and the title and the benefits bestowed.

## **7 Records**

The Membership Office is responsible for maintaining the following records:

- i. a list of those nominated for election as Honorary Fellows and who meet the requirements for election as set out in these Regulations;
- ii. a list of Honorary Fellows elected with date of their election, qualifications and titles (if appropriate). The list shall be published on the Society's website.