

Annual General Meeting of Svenska Systematikföreningen 2023

Organisationsnummer 802444-9152

Ekologihuset, Lunds universitet, Lund, 28 Nov 2023, 11:00–11:40

Present¹: Mårten Klinth, Aelys Humphreys, Kennet Lundin, Johan Liljeblad, Nils Cronberg, Rasmus Hovmöller, Stephen Manktelow, Maël Grosse, Doris Björling, Jöran Klink, Emma Kärrnäs, Åsa Kruys, Allison Perrigo, Mikael Hedrén, Niklas Wahlberg, Vinciane Mossion, Urban Nordenhäll, Lars Hedenäs, Eva Andréasson, Bengt Oxelman, Per Alström, Ali Haghani, Mattias Forshage, Alexander Fedosov, Yei Wu, Zulang Liang, Maria Backlund, Julia Stigenberg, Claes Gustafsson, Ellen Larsson, Petra Korall, Mikael Thollesson, Sofie Meeus, Mora Aronsson, Eric Wahlsteen, Mats Wedin

Apologies: Alica Košuthová, Anja Rautenberg

¹The meeting is open to anyone, but only members of Systematikföreningen may vote.

The AGM is considered a constituting meeting.

1. Mårten Klinth opened the meeting.

2. Election of meeting chair, meeting secretary and two adjusters. Mårten Klinth was elected chair of the meeting, Aelys Humphreys was elected meeting secretary and Maria Backlund and Petra Korall were elected adjusters ('justeringspersoner').

3. Proper announcement of the meeting according to the statutes. The meeting was found to have been properly announced according to the statutes.

4. Annual activity report and economic report from the board. Mårten Klinth read the annual activity report of the board ('Verksamhetsberättelse'; attached) and Johan Liljeblad read the financial report ('ekonomiska rapporten').

Mårten raised the question of whether there are Systematics associations in other Scandinavian or Nordic countries and would we like to extend our meetings to include them? The question will be investigated by Mårten Klinth, Aelys Humphreys and Niklas Wahlberg and discussed by the board during the coming activity year.

Mårten informed that the next meeting ('Systematikdagarna') will take place in Gothenburg in 2024. He also informed about ongoing discussions around holding our annual meeting together with the annual meeting of the SciLife Lab Data-Driven Life Sciences programme (<https://www.scilifelab.se/data-driven/about/>).

5. Audit report. Rasmus Hovmöller read the audit report (attached), and found the activity report of the board and financial report to be in order.

6. Is the board discharged from liability for last year's activities and finances? The board was found to be discharged from liability.

7. Changes to the Association's statutes to include a 6th board member. This board member is to represent Early Career Systematists in Sweden. All members present voted unanimously in favour of changing the statutes to include a 6th board member who represents Early Career Systematists in Sweden. To formally change the statutes another vote must be passed at another association meeting. This will be planned for early 2024.

8. Election of Chair of the Swedish Systematics Association. Mårten Klinth was elected as chair (re-election; 'tecknar firma separat i enlighet med föreningens stadgar §8').

9. Election of other board members of the Swedish Systematics Association. The election committee reported that there is no need to change the current board. The majority voted in favour of the current board members remaining for another year (Johan Liljeblad was elected as treasurer (re-election; 'tecknar firma separat i enlighet med föreningens stadgar §8'); other re-elected board members are Aelys Humphreys (Vice Chair; re-election), Alica Košuthová, Allison Perrigo and Anja

Rautenberg (adjunct). Emma Kärrnäs was elected as 6th member (adjunct for now). The Treasurer has power of attorney to handle the Society's finances without prior approval of the Chair.

10. Election of auditor and deputy auditor. Rasmus Hovmöller was elected as auditor (re-elected). Stephen Manktelow elected as deputy auditor (newly elected).

11. Election of election committee consisting of three persons. Niklas Wahlberg (re-elect), Petra Korall (newly elected) and Ellen Larsson (newly elected) were elected as election committee.

The question of whether the election committee should consist of four people was raised. This would allow representation of more different universities. However, that would require a change to the statutes. The discussions will be continued during the next activity year.

12. Decision on annual membership fee (if any). The majority voted in favour of keeping the current membership fee (100 SEK).

13. Other matters submitted by the board to the meeting. No further matters were submitted by the board to the meeting.

14. Other matters submitted to the board at least weeks 4 weeks prior to the meeting. No further matters were submitted to the board prior to the meeting.

15. Mårten Klinth closed the meeting.

Secretary



Aelys Humphreys

Adjusters



Petra Korall



Maria Backlund

Revisionsberättelse för Svenska systematikföreningen 2023

Till föreningsstämman 27 november 2023

Jag har granskat årsrapporten och finner att den har blivit gjord på rätt sätt enligt god redovisningssed samt föreningsned. Mötesprotokoll och ekonomisk redovisning är i sin ordning.

Styrelsen har sett till att föreningen har genomfört de aktiviteter som är specificerade i stadgarna och verkat för föreningens mål och intressen.

Det är min rekommendation att stämman godkänner årsrapporten och beviljar styrelsen ansvarsfrihet.

Rasmus Hovmöller

Revisor

Auditor's report for the Swedish Systematics Association 2023

For the General Meeting of the Swedish Systematics Association 2023

I have reviewed the yearly report, and find that it has been performed in accordance with good accounting practices and association practices. Meeting minutes and financial records are in order.

The board has made sure that the association has performed the specified activities indicated in the statutes and worked for the association's goals and best interests.

It is my recommendation that the meeting approves the yearly report and grants the board discharge from liability.

Rasmus Hovmöller

Auditor

Svenska Systematikföreningen, SSF
VERKSAMHETSBERÄTTELSE

Styrelsen avger härmed följande redogörelse för verksamheten 2022-09-01 till 2023-08-31

Styrelse

Mårten Klinth – ordförande
Aelys Humphreys – vice ordförande
Alica Košuthová – sekreterare
Johan Liljebäck – kassör
Allison Perrigo – övrig ledamot
Anja Rautenberg – adjungerad ledamot,
webmästare

Valberedning
Nils Cronberg
Per Alström
Niklas Wahlberg

Revisorer
Rasmus Hovmöller (ordinarie)
Urban Olsson (suppleant)

Antal medlemmar

2023-08-31 hade föreningen 28 betalande medlemmar.

Verksamhet

Efter Corona-pandemin, med Systematikdagarna online och ett lågt intresse för föreningen genomfördes ett mycket lyckat möte på Naturhistoriska Riksmuseet i Stockholm där antalet betalande medlemmar ökade från 8 till 28. En stor hjälp har också varit tillgången till Swish som betalningsmedel. Årsmöte hölls 2022-11-21 på Riksmuseet, i närvaro av 11 medlemmar.

Under verksamhetsåret hölls tre protokollförda styrelsemöten av diskussionskaraktär, 2023-02-09 (konstituerande möte), 2023-04-11 och 2023-06-19. Ett fjärde möte planerades efter sommaren för att hjälpa ansvariga i Lund med organiseringen av Systematikdagarna 2023 men mötet ersattes av en maildiskussion då Lund-gruppen redan löst planeringen på egen hand.

Styrelsen har under året fortsatt diskussionen om hur vi engagerar systematiker som är tidigt i karriären. Ett separat möte från systematikdagarna har diskuterats i form av en workshop på en fältstation. Styrelsen har även föreslagit att inkludera ytterligare en medlem i styrelsen, i form av en representant för just dessa nya systematiker. En förändring av stadgarna har föreslagits till årsmötet 2023. Dessutom har styrelsen organiserat en maillista för systematiker tidigt i karriären.

Under verksamhetsåret har styrelsen undersökt möjligheten att samköra framtida Systematikdagarna med de andra Europeiska systematikföreningarna (BioSyst) eller Data-Driven Life Science (DDLS). Kontakten med BioSyst har startat upp det Europeiska samarbetet som annars pausats under pandemin och nu verkar nästa BioSyst organiseras i Storbritannien 2025. Systematikdagarna 2024 i Göteborg kommer möjligtvis organiseras tillsammans med DDLS, det arbetet fortsätter nästa verksamhetsår.

Styrelsen har fortsatt att använda hemsidan som primärt organ för kommunikation med medlemmarna. Föreningen har också Facebook- och Twitter-konton för snabb och effektiv distribution av nyheter via sociala media.
Styrelsen genom Mårten Klinth (ordförande)