



UArctic Assembly Meeting / Inari, Finland / June 2025

Agenda item: 14

Proposal – Election of Nominations Committee Member

Proposal: The Executive Committee (Toyon) proposes that the Assembly makes the following decisions:

- a) *Assembly confirms the Board's decision to elect **Eeva-Liisa Rasmus-Moilanen** as a member of the Nominations for the remainder of the term (2024-25).*
- b) *Assembly elects **Eeva-Liisa Rasmus-Moilanen** as member of the Nominations Committee for a three year term (2025-28).*

References: [UArctic Constitution](#) / Article 10 – Annual Assembly

[UArctic Bylaws](#) / Sections 3.1.6 – Nominations Committee; 3.1.7 – Assembly Mid-term replacements

[Eeva-Liisa Rasmus-Moilanen – Bio](#)

Background:

The employment of Mauri Ylä-Kotola, a former member of the Nominations Committee, was ended at the University of Lapland. Therefore, he was not eligible to continue in the Nominations Committee anymore. The Board elected **Eeva-Liisa Rasmus-Moilanen**, the rector of Sámi Education Institute, as member of the Nominations Committee to replace Mauri Ylä-Kotola for the remainder of his term. Ylä-Kotola's term would have ended in June 2025.

In their meeting in April 2025, the Board nominated Eeva-Liisa Rasmus-Moilanen for a new three-year term 2025-28.

Current membership of the Nominations Committee:

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| Lindsay Whaley, Chair | 1 st term (2024-27) | Dartmouth College , USA |
| Gail Fondahl | 2 nd term (2023-26) | University of Northern British Columbia , Canada |
| Sven Haakanson Jr | 2 nd term (2023-26) | University of Washington , USA |
| Laila Hedegaard Pedersen | 1 st term (2023-26) | Ilisimatusarfik / University of Greenland , Greenland |
| Eeva-Liisa Rasmus-Moilanen | 1 st term (2024-25) | Sámi Education Institute , Finland |

Nominated candidate: Eeva-Liisa Rasmus-Moilanen is the rector of Sámi Education Institute.



Rationale:

UArctic Constitution, 10 Article – Annual Assembly:

The annual Assembly shall set up the Nominations Committee and may set up other standing committees for the preparation of the association's matters.

UArctic Bylaws, section 3.1.6 – Nominations Committee:

Each member of the Nominations Committee is elected by the Assembly from slates of nominees prepared by the Board. - - Each committee member is elected for a three-year term, renewable once.

UArctic Bylaws, section 3.1.7 – Assembly Mid-term Replacements

Should there be a vacancy on the Nominations Committee; the Board Executive will appoint a replacement to serve in the role until the next Assembly. An election shall be held for the remainder of the Committee's term.