ECSA Advisory Board Nomination Procedure

(1) General Conditions
According to the ECSA statutes the Advisory Board consists of up to 12 persons who are not members of ECSA. It advises ECSA on strategic and policy matters and comments upon the annual report and ECSA accounts.

Members of the Advisory Board can be nominated by any ECSA member. Members of the Advisory Board may be academics, political leaders, or eminent persons interested in citizen science. Ideally, they are influential across Europe. They represent research councils, regulatory organizations, government agencies and notably members of the public.

 The General Assembly elects members of the Advisory Board for two years.

(2) Procedure for the nomination of candidates
Every two years, at least one months before the ECSA General Assembly (GA), the ECSA Headquarters launches a call for the nomination of the ECSA Advisory Board.

Any member of ECSA is invited to send the ECSA Headquarters the name and contact information of eligible persons, according to the provisions of the statutes, at least 10 days before the GA. Any nomination must be accompanied by the CV or bio of the potential candidate and a cover letter of the ECSA member with a short description of the motivation.

The list of eligible Advisory Board candidates and the related short descriptions of the motivations will be distributed to ECSA members at least one week before the ECSA GA.

(3) Election of Advisory Board
ECSA members vote for the members of the Advisory Board during the GA. The 12 candidates with the most votes are elected to the Advisory Board. In case of a draw, the Board of Directors, during the week after the GA, selects the candidates needed to complete the Advisory Board according to their credentials. Additional criteria, such as gender balance, geographical representation, representation of sectors or CS approaches will be taken into account.

The Board of Directors should arrange for the number of candidates not to be lower than six