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Dear EUROPARC Members,

Elections to EUROPARC Federation Council

As you already know, 2008 is an election year. The Council and the HQ began preparations for this at the Council meeting held at the end of January.

In the previous letter sent to you at the end of January we outlined the main steps taken by the Council to prepare the governance review and the elections. With this letter I would like to address a first request to you, the Members of EUROPARC, to contribute to the preparations for the elections by nominating Members for a dynamic and modern Council.

As always the election procedures will be governed by the statutes.

A new approach is being planned for the nomination process. In previous years the candidates were mostly nominated by the Council, but we are now asking the membership to put forward candidates for the positions of President, Treasurer and Council members.

To help you nominate candidates who have the skills and knowledge requested for the leading body of EUROPARC, the Council has developed a document that provides some guidance on the roles and responsibilities of the President and the Council as well as an indication of the profile of those who will stand for election at this year's General Assembly.

When developing the document on the roles and responsibilities of the Council and President, we have tried to incorporate the basic principles of good governance, principles that are reflected in the headings of the document.

The procedure planned for the preparation for the elections is:

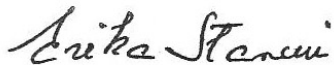
1. Members nominate candidates in April
2. Council contacts candidates in May / beginning of June and asks them if they would like to stand
3. In June HQ contacts candidates who accepted to stand for President, Treasurer or Council and asks for the information needed to prepare the election documentation
4. HQ prepares documents for elections and sends them out to the membership by 24 July.

The Council is convinced that the preparation of the elections is of major importance and would like to see the very active involvement of the membership. Please read carefully the guiding document and make your contribution to the future of the Federation by nominating enthusiastic and committed individuals for the posts of President, Treasurer and Council Members.

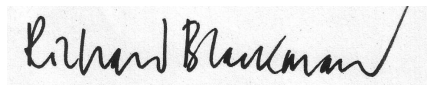
Please send the name and contact details of your nominees, together with reasons for the nomination, before 23 April to Richard Blackman on r.blackman@europarc.org and in copy to Sabine Schlögel s.schloegel@europarc.org.

With kind regards.

Yours sincerely,



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President



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