

Asian Society for Hydrobiology

BOARD OF EXECUTIVES MEETING REPORT

Date and time: July 1, 2024, 17:00-18:30 Seoul Time (GMT +9)

Place: Korea University, Life Science East Bldg., R222

Attendees:

Yeon Jae BAE (President, Executive), Koji TOJO (Vice President, Executive), Chitchol PHALARAKSH (Vice President, Executive), Hyuk Je LEE (Vice President, Executive), Van Vinh NGUYEN (Vice President, Executive), Suvdtsetseg CHULUUNBAT (Executive), Boonsatien BOONSOONG (Executive)

Delegations of authority to the board:

Victor BOGATOV (Executive)
Tae-Soo CHON (Executive)
Tatyana S. VSHIVKOVA (Executive)
Beixin WANG (Vice President, Executive)

Absentees:

Kazumi TANIDA (Executive), Xinhua WANG (Executive), Achuthan NAIR (Vice President, Executive), Xiaodong QU (Executive), Jane M. HUGHES (Executive), Kozo WATANABE (Executive), Sujatha NARAYANAN (Executive), Yi-Kuang Bruce WANG (Executive), Young-Seok PARK (Executive)

(11 board members out of 20 members in total constituted a quorum)

Other attendees:

Ji Hyoun KANG (General Secretary), Joong-Ki PARK (Editor-in-Chief), Jeong Mi HWANG (Treasurer), Dong Gun KIM (Executive Candidate), Dashdondog NARANGARVUU (Executive Candidate), Masaki TAKENAKA (Executive Candidate), Christine Jewel UY-YABUT (Associate Secretary), Changseob LIM (Assistant Editor), Hak Hyun KIM (Assistant Secretary, Minute Recorder)



Photos: ASH Board of Executives meeting, 1 July 2024, Seoul, Korea

Main Agendas

1. **ASH2024 Important Agendas for Executives**
2. **ASH Constitution and Bylaws**
3. **ASH Structure**
4. **ASH Editorial Board**
5. **Awards**
6. **Decision on next ASH conference proposals**
7. **Other topics**

Agenda Discussion:

1. ASH2024 Important Agendas for Executives

- A) Important Agendas of ASH2024 Conference were discussed between the Executives.

2. ASH Constitution and Bylaws

- A) The ASH Constitution and Bylaws drafts were structured with the aid from Vice President Chitchol Phalaraksh.
- B) The drafts were revised by the President Yeon Jae Bae, Advisory Committee Chair John Morse, and several other ASH officers.
- C) ASH Constitution and Bylaws drafts were discussed and adopted in the Board of Executives on 1 July 2024 and was planned to be approved in the upcoming ASH General Assembly on 4 July 2024.
- D) Future ASH membership fees were discussed amongst the Executives, and appropriate amount of membership fees (e.g., 50 USD) can be included in the future ASH conference registration fees (with discounts) as in other international societies such as Society for Freshwater Sciences (SFS) or Entomological Society of America (ESA).

3. ASH Structure

- A) ASH Organization Structure based on ASH Constitution and Bylaws were adopted.
- B) Additional Executives were invited to include more Executives from diverse countries, fields, and younger generations.
- C) Terms of the following Executives were concluded as they were unable to contact since the beginning of their term: Jane M. Hughes, Yi-Kuang Bruce Wang, Sujatha Narayanan, and Yong-Seok Park

ASH Structure based on Constitution & Bylaws (July 1, 2024)

Board of Directors	President	Yeon Jae Bae (Term: 1 January 2023- 31 December 2024)
	President-Elect	Badamdorj Bayartogtokh (Term: 1 January 2025 – 31 December 2026)
	Vice-Presidents	Chitchol Phalaraksh, Koji Tojo, Hyuk Je Lee, Achuthan Nair, Vinh Van Nguyen, Beixin Wang
	General Secretary	Ji Hyoun Kang
Board of Executives	Executives	Kazumi Tanida, Tae-Soo Chon, Viktor Bogatov, Xinhua Wang, Yeon Jae Bae, Beixin Wang, Achuthan Nair, Koji Tojo, Hyuk Je Lee, Chitchol Phalaraksh, Vinh Van Nguyen, Xiaodong Qu, Kozo Watanabe, Suvdtsetseg Chuluunbat, Tatyana S. Vshivkova, Boonsatien Boonsoong, Dong Gun Kim, Sangchul Lee, Kyongin Suh, Jin Hwa Yum, Kazuki Sekine, Masaki Takenaka, Changfa Zhou, Xiaolong Lin, Pairot Pramual, Pongsak Laudee, Ekgachai Jeratthitikul, Dinh Van Khuong, Tran Anh Duc, Dashdondog Narangarvuu, Rey Donne S. Papa, Francis S. Magbanua, Luki Subehi, Ram Devi Tachamo Shah (Total of 34 Executives)
Editorial Board	Co-Editors-in-Chief	Joong-Ki Park, John Morse
	Associate Editors	ca. 30 members were invited
Secretariat	General Secretary	Ji Hyoun Kang
	Treasurer	Jeong Mi Hwang
	Associate Secretaries	Christine Jewel Uy-Yabut, Nattawut Sareein, Sung Hwan Park, Kai Chen, Cuong Van Duong
	Assistant Secretaries	Alfredo Mayorga Villalobos, Sang Kyu Shin, HakHyun Kim
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Finance Committee	Co-Chairs	Yeon Jae Bae, Koji Tojo
Advisory Committee	Advisory Committee Members	John C. Morse (Chair), Charles Hawkins, Robert M. Hughes, Mathew Leibold, Vincent H. Resh, Mutsunori Takeshi, Peter Zwick, Jinho Jung, Javier Alba-Tercedor
Honorary Presidents		Tanida Kazumi (1st), Tae-Soo Chon (2nd), Viktor Bogatov (3rd), Xinhua Wang (4th), Pradya Somboon (5th)

Newly Invited Executives (July 1, 2024)

Korea: Dong Gun Kim (Sahmyook University, Seoul), Sangchul Lee (Korea University, Seoul), Kyongin Suh (NNIBR, Sangju), Jin Hwa Yum (NIBR, Incheon)

Japan: Kazuki Sekine (Rissho University, Tokyo), Masaki Takenaka (University of Tsukuba, Tsukuba)

China: Changfa Zhou (Nanjing Normal University, Nanjing), Xiaolong Lin (Shanghai Ocean University, Shanghai)

Thailand: Pairot Pramual (Mahasarakham University, Mahasarakham), Pongsak Laudee (Prince of Songkla University, Songkla), Ekgachai Jeratthitikul (Mahidol University, Bangkok)

Vietnam: Dinh Van Khuong (University of Oslo, Oslo), Tran Anh Duc (Vietnam National University, Hanoi)

Philippines: Francis S. Magbanua (University of the Philippines Diliman, Manila), Rey Donne S. Papa (University of Santo Tomas, Manila)

Mongolia: Dashdondog Narangarvuu (National University of Mongolia, Ulaanbaatar)

Indonesia: Luki Subehi (National Research and Innovation Agency, Yogyakarta)

Nepal: Ram Devi Tachamo Shah (Kathmandu University, Dhulikhel)

4. ASH Editorial Board

A) Professor Joong-Ki Park, Co-Editors-in-Chief, elaborated on the ASH official journal plan as follows.

B) Editorial Board

Co-Editors-in-Chief

Prof. Joong-Ki Park

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Associate Editors: Approximately 30 Associate Editors were invited.

Managing Editor

Dr. Changseob Lim

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C) Journal Overview

a. **Journal name:** (Official Journal of the Asian Society for Hydrobiology)

- i) **Journal of Hydrobiology**
- ii) **Hydrobiology and Biogeochemistry**

b. **Aims:** The Journal of Hydrobiology is an international, interdisciplinary, peer-reviewed, open access journal that publishes high-quality research covering a wide range of biological topics in freshwater and marine environments. The primary aim is to disseminate a deep understanding of hydrobiological sciences and contribute to the conservation and sustainable management of aquatic ecosystems.

c. Scopes:

(1) Biodiversity, Molecular Phylogeny, and Evolution

Keywords: Faunistics, Taxonomy, Phylogeny, Population Genetics (Genomics), Evolutionary Transformations, Historical and Contemporary Biogeography, Comparative Genomics

(2) Ecology and Conservation/Climate Change

Keywords: Molecular Ecology, Population Ecology, Community Ecology, Ecosystem Ecology, Landscape Ecology, Functional Ecology, Conservation Biology, Climate Change Biology

(3) Biomonitoring and Bioassessment of Aquatic Ecosystems

Keywords: eDNA, Bioassessment, Invasive Species, Pollution and Contamination, Material Cycling/Spiraling, Water Quality Biomonitoring

(4) Hydrobiology for Human Health/Vector Ecology

Keywords: Aquatic Ecotoxicology, Vector Ecology

d. **Journal Category:** Marine & Freshwater Biology

e. **Publishing frequency:** Quarterly

f. **Plan to publish inaugural issue:** In 2025

g. **Potential publisher considered:** Wiley, Elsevier or other publishers

5. Awards

- A) President Yeon Jae Bae, Chair of the John Morse Student Award Committee, reported Mr. Woranart Yarangsee, Master's student of Chiang Mai University, Chang Mai, Thailand, as the first awardee of the Award that was chosen according to the John Morse Student Award Regulation by the Committee.
- B) Vice President Chitchol Phalaraksh, Chair of the Ethics and Award Committee, elaborated on the evaluation process for the ASH 2024 Conference as follows:
- a. Total Awards: 9 oral presentations from 9 separate session time blocks and 4 poster presentations.
 - b. BK21 Awards were to be judged separately.

6. Next Biannual ASH Conference in 2026

A) Proposals:

- Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia (Host: Professor Badamdorj Bayartogtokh of the National University of Mongolia)
- Los Baños, Philippines (Host: Professor Francis S. Magbanua of the University of Philippines, Diliman)

B) Decision:

- Title: The 7th Biannual Conference of Asian Society for Hydrobiology (ASH 2026 Ulaanbaatar)
- Venue: Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia (Host: Professor Badamdorj Bayartogtokh of the National University of Mongolia)
- Expected dates: Late June to early July, 2026

C) The 7th ASH President:

- According to ASH tradition, the Board of Executives unanimously decided to nominate Professor Badamdorj Byartogtokh, host of the 7th ASH Conference, as the 7th President of ASH (Presidential Term: 1 January 2025 – 31 December 2026)

7. Other topics

A) ASH Scholarship donation:

- ASH President Yeon Jae Bae has dedicated himself to establishing and developing our society for the past 25 years. He has a deep love of our society and believes that the future of our society depends on the young generation who will lead the society. To support these young hydrobiologists from Asian countries, he wished to donate approximately 40,000 USD by the next conference similar to that of the John Morse Student Award, if the Board of Executives agrees.

- With unanimous consent from the Board, the donation was accepted. The donation fund with a separate regulation will be prepared by the next conference.

B) Next Board of Executives Meeting Date:

- The next Board of Executives meeting was tentatively scheduled online on 19 February 2025 (Wednesday), 18:00 (Seoul time, +9 GMT).

Attachment 1

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