

**IAVS Working Group for Phytosociological Nomenclature (GPN)
Report for the year 2018**

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State of the art

- Presently (as of 14 July 2019) the GPN counts 66 members in good standing with the payment of the IAVS membership fee for 2018 or 2019. Most members are from Europe (83%) although several other countries around the world are represented as well (Figure 1). In addition, there are 15 members who are not in good standing but who nevertheless receive GPN information.
- Steering Committee (2018-2022): Jean-Paul Theurillat (chair); Daniela Gigante (secretary); Andraz Čarni, Federico Fernández-González, Helga Bültmann, Laco Mucina, Wolfgang Willner (members).
- Three Topic Committees are active:
 - ✓ Committee for the Changes and the Conservation of Names (CCCN)
 - ✓ Committee for the Registration and the Typification of Names (CRTN)
 - ✓ Committee for the Website and the Online Database (CWDB)
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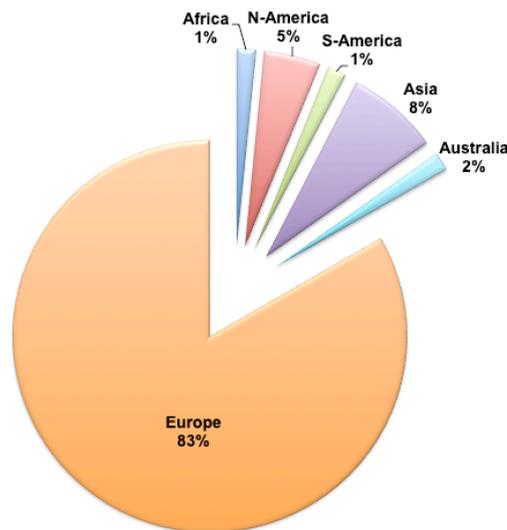


Figure 1. The composition of GPN members in good standing with the payment of the IAVS membership fee, as of 14 July 2019 (n = 66).

Activities since the Business Meeting in Wrocław (24 May 2018)

- The annual business meeting of the GPN was held on 24 May 2018 in Wrocław during the 27th meeting of the European Vegetation Survey.
- A final version of the 4th edition of the International Code of Nomenclature, except for editing and coherency bugs, was submitted for approval to the membership of the GPN on 25 April 2019 until 25 May. The new edition was approved by 91% of the members who participated to the vote (30 yes against 3 no). The participation rate was 50%.

Steering Committee

- The Steering Committee met in Wrocław to discuss some remaining issues related to the 4th edition of the Code.
- Following the Business Meeting of the WG in Wrocław, SC has concentrated heavily on the completion of the 4th edition of the International Code of Nomenclature (ICPN), in collaboration with Prof. Heinrich Weber (the lead author of the 3rd edition). Email exchange was the main means of communication. It is expected that the new Code will be ready for submission to *JVS* during Summer of 2019.

Committee for Change and Conservation of Names (CCCN)

- The decision on nomenclatural proposals (1), (16) and (18), accepted on 22 April 2015, will be published in *Phytocoenologia* 49 (Gigante & al.)

Registration of Names

The online nomenclatural database *PhytoS*, developed for the registration of names and types of plant communities, is awaiting the completion of ed. 4 of the ICPN to proceed further. At the moment, the database can be accessed at <https://phytos.vinca.at>. For assistance, please contact Wolfgang Willner (wolfgang.willner@univie.ac.at).