

ECREA Section DIASPORA, MIGRATION AND THE MEDIA

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1. Membership

1.1. The ECREA *Diaspora, Migration and the Media* section is constituted by all ECREA members who express their interest in joining the section.

1.2. ECREA members can join the section by expressing their interest via email (to the section chair) or by registering at the ECREA conference or other events where the section participates.

2. Section Management Team

2.1. The section management team is constituted of a chair and two vice-chairs. They have the primary responsibility for managing and coordinating the section's business and activities.

2.2. The section team is accountable for its decisions to the section annual Business Meeting and to the ECREA Board.

2.3. The chair and the vice-chair are elected every two years for a maximum term of six consecutive years (three mandates). Secret voting takes place either at an ECREA event or by email. A simple majority of votes is required for the election of the successful candidates. Results of the voting shall be communicated to Section members as soon as possible after the elections via email or at a Business Meeting of the section.

2.4. Three months before elections, candidates can express their interest in running for the position of the chair or a vice-chair. Other members of the section can nominate a candidate/candidates who has/have to confirm interest in participation at the election. Ideally candidates will put themselves forward or be nominated for election as a team (chair and two vice-chairs).

3. Business Meeting

3.1. The section holds an annual Business Meeting, open to all interested ECREA members.

3.2. The Business Meeting is the primary decision making body. It takes decisions regarding the interests and future outlook of the section; it approves strategies introduced to the Business Meeting by the section team and it proposes strategies for the promotion of the section's interests. The section Business Meeting cannot take decisions that go against the general ECREA statutes.