**Report on the Activities of ISEE European Chapter**

Period December 2014 - March 2015

The European Chapter´s main activities during the last reporting period have been the internal organization of the Chapter by elections and forming and starting work in various committees, and diverse activities regarding the Horizon 2020 research programme for the next year. The Chapter is holding monthly conference calls.

**Election of EU Chapter Chair, Vice-Chair and 7th committee member**

* Simon Birkett was re-added to the council as 7th member.
* Barbara Hoffmann was elected new chair.
* Mireille Toledano was elected new vice chair.

**Activities/news from committees**

Several committees were formed, ensuring active participation of EU Chapter council members plus other interested members of ISEE Europe. The committees are Policy, Research/Horizon2020, Education, Website, Conference. The individual committees have taken up their work during the last reporting period.

The Policy Committee is in the process of defining priorities for its future work.

The Research/H2020 Committee has received a draft of the H2020 calls for 2016 and has formulated a statement and an additional call. This statement and the proposed call have been communicated to several members of the EC, to the national contact points of each member country and to NGOs. Contacts with other scientific societies have been made (national and international) to increase our power to achieve changes in the current programme.

The Website Committee has sketched a first draft, which will be discussed by the EU council at its next meeting. The EU Chapter website will be linked to the ISEE website and will show proper overlap to ISEE.

The Education Committee has been formed and contact among external members established. Specifically, Eastern European members have signed up for this committee.

The Conference Committee has conducted an evaluation of the Barcelona Young Researchers Conference, which was well received by the junior researchers. The committee has started planning a second Young Researchers Conference to take place at the end of 2015 in Utrecht, Netherlands.