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Applying for position of Ordinary Member (2<sup>nd</sup> term)

My first EuroSLA conference was in 2006 at Antalya, Turkey as a PhD student in the doctoral workshop. I was very intimidated by all the “big names” there but was incredibly impressed by how kind and supportive everyone was. I’ve attended almost every year since (I missed 2010 & 2011) and that initial, friendly and supportive impression has persisted throughout.

I would like to remain on the executive committee for a second term because EuroSLA has given me, and now my students, a lot over the years. My current role in the EuroSLA is as conference liaison and I would like to continue in that role as we (hopefully) move back to a face-to-face conference environment. The opportunities to meet other researchers, present my work and the feedback I’ve received have helped me to develop my research and now that of my students. Since my first experiences of EuroSLA in 2006, the organisation has continued to grow and flourish. I believe it to be a fantastic organisation and would like to help to carry that legacy forward.

I have previously worked on several UK committees including the Linguistics Association of Great Britain’s Education committee and the Committee for Linguistics in Education (2006-2014). I was secretary of CLiE from 2012-14 and helped set up the UK Linguistics Olympiad (2009-2014) as well as run the CLiE and UKLO websites from 2010-2014 and Association for French Language Studies website from 2007-2010. In 2015, I helped co-found the British Association of Applied Linguistics special interest group on Linguistics and Knowledge about Language (LKALE) and organised its first conference in Swansea in 2016. I’ve also had previous conference organisation roles for the Formulaic Language Research Network (2014, 2016).

I am enthusiastic about and committed to EuroSLA as an organisation. I believe I have some relevant experience and hope that I would be of some benefit to the committee as EuroSLA continues to move forward.