

## EMBL Alumni Association (EAA) Board Treasurer and Deputy Treasurer Elections 2025

Monday 2 June – Friday 13 June

### *Candidates*

*Categories: Treasurer (1 candidate for 1 position); Deputy Treasurer (4 candidates for 1 position)*

#### Treasurer

**Britta Schläger**



**Now:** Freelance Scientific Project and Grant Manager, Kobris | Sandhausen, Germany

**EMBL:** Research Assistant 1989-1998, Genome Biology Unit, EMBL Heidelberg

**Election Statement:** “Since my election as Deputy Treasurer in 2021, I have had the honour of serving on the board of the EAA and contributing to its financial and organisational activities. Being part of this vibrant community has been a truly rewarding experience—especially through our twice-yearly board meetings, which offer valuable opportunities for reflection, planning, and perspectives. One aspect I particularly enjoy is participating in the selection of our award winners—a fascinating and humbling process that highlights the depth and diversity of talent in the EMBL community. The experience of my current role has deepened my understanding of the EAA’s goals and strengthened my commitment to the shared mission with the Alumni Relations Office to help maximize efforts to bring EMBL’s alumni community together. It is a pleasure to now stand for the position of Treasurer.”

**Deputy Treasurer**

**Alice Dashow**



**Now:** Independent Researcher, Molecular Cognitive Evolution Project | Brighton, UK

**EMBL:** Scientific Database Curator 2013-2019, Protein Function Content Team, EMBL-EBI

**Election Statement:** "I believe that the ever-growing community of EMBL alumni needs excellent, stable support and a reliable platform for collaboration. As a former database curator and a former Staff Association rep at EMBL-EBI, where I was also a Deputy Treasurer, I value keeping things in meticulous order and paying attention to the details. Furthermore, my experience and education in neurobiology and psychology, organisation and participation in various social scientific events help me to understand the importance of the activities led by the EAA, which I would like to support and assist in improving as much as I can."

## Katherine Silkaitis



**Now:** Strategic Advisor to the CEO and Deputy CEO, Luxembourg Institute of Health

**EMBL:** Strategy Officer 2023-2024, EMBL Heidelberg

**Election Statement:** “I am excited to stand for the position of EAA Deputy Treasurer and believe I can support and enhance the excellent work currently being done by the board. From my time at EMBL as Strategy Officer, I gained extensive knowledge of both EMBL research and administration. In this role, I also contributed to institutional efforts to build community across EMBL’s six sites. I would appreciate the opportunity to continue advancing EMBL’s mission by serving on the EAA board. In addition to a PhD and postdoctoral experience in genetics, I also have an MBA from HEC Paris with a specialisation in Finance.”

## Tina Uhrig



**Now:** Manager Accounting Subledger/ GPO for Accounting Treasury and Tax for S4Hana, GELITA AG | Eberbach, Germany

**EMBL:** Finance Officer 2001-2015, EMBL Heidelberg

**Election Statement:** “With 14 years of experience within EMBL and over 20 years in finance, I bring not only expertise but also commitment, empathy and a collaborative spirit. In leadership roles, I have responsibly overseen financial processes and contributed to strategic development. Trust, openness, and constructive teamwork are especially important to me. As a board member, I aim to promote transparency, strengthen dialogue, and help develop sustainable solutions. I look forward to actively supporting the EAA and living its values.”

## Magdalena Zarowiecki



**Now:** Unemployed | Nomad

**EMBL:** Genomics Project Leader 2020-2022, Non-Vertebrate Genomics Team, EMBL-EBI

**Election Statement:** “With extensive experience in academia and biotech, I’m passionate about fostering the connections that make our communities thrive. An experienced leader and visionary, I’ve chaired a company board with €1M turnover, and a charity board with €4M endowment, earning 15% a.p.r. from green energy investments. I have broad experience in organising evidence-based career events such as conferences, networking events and mentorship programs. Bringing strong financial oversight, strategic thinking, and a collaborative mindset, I want the EAA to be a vibrant network, strengthen bonds between current EMBL employees and the alumni network, and support your career and lifelong friendships.”