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E&ERC RESEARCH EXCELLENCE AWARDS 2017

Each year, the E&ERC confers a series of research awards for outstanding performance in that year. Nominations are now open for the following awards for 2017, with the announcements to be made at ceremony in early March. Please consider nominating yourself or your colleagues.

To be eligible for an award, please send a nomination to Vera Banschikoff (v.banschikoff@unsw.edu.au) by **Friday 16 February, 2018**.

PRIZES FOR POSTGRADUATE RESEARCH EXCELLENCE

Outstanding Evolution and Ecology (Postgraduate) Researcher of 2017

Awarded to a student with outstanding overall research performance and contribution to the intellectual life of UNSW and the E&ERC in 2017. The student will be selected by the E&ERC Education Subcommittee based on the significance and originality of the research conducted, research output (publications and conference presentations), success in receiving external financial support and contributions to outreach and E&ERC activities. Please send an official [nomination form](#) to Vera, v.banschikoff@unsw.edu.au

The Prize will have a value of \$1,000.

Outstanding Evolution and Ecology Student Paper of 2017

Awarded to a study published in 2017 on research conducted at UNSW with a postgraduate student as first author. Please send an official [nomination form](#) to Vera, v.banschikoff@unsw.edu.au. The paper will be selected by the E&ERC Education Subcommittee based on the significance and originality of the research, and quality of the journal in which it was published.

Outstanding Evolution and Ecology Thesis of 2017

Awarded to a thesis approved for the degree of PhD, Msc or MPhil in 2017. Please send an official [nomination form](#) to Vera, v.banschikoff@unsw.edu.au. All theses awarded in 2017 will be reviewed by the E&ERC Education Subcommittee. The prize will be based on the significance and originality of research, comments from thesis examiners, research output, and documented evidence of impact.

Outreach and Communication in Evolution and Ecology

The prize will be awarded to the postgraduate student who has demonstrated outstanding achievement in communicating research relating to evolution and ecology to the broader community through popular media and outreach activity. Please send an official [nomination form](#) to Vera, v.banschikoff@unsw.edu.au

Outstanding Evolution and Evolution (Postgraduate) graphic

Awarded to the student who has a graphic within a study or paper that illustrates the data and/or findings in the most effective way. The graphic needs to be captioned and will be selected by the E&ERC Education Subcommittee based on the effectiveness of how data and/or findings are presented and conveyed.

E&ERC Supervisor Excellence Award

This award is for outstanding supervision of postgraduates by E&ERC members. It recognises the contribution made of time, feedback and general support to facilitate excellence in postgraduate study. Consider nominating your supervisor or colleague, and please include a brief statement (no more than one paragraph) outlining the reasons for your nomination.

E&ERC RESEARCH PAPER AWARDS

Please note, to be eligible for the following three awards, a paper must have a Centre member or postgraduate as first or corresponding author. If you are not first or corresponding author but wish to make a case that you were a major collaborator then you are most welcome to do so.

E&ERC Citation Classic Award

This award will be given to the paper, published in any year, with the highest number of citations in 2017 as recorded on ISI Web of Knowledge. Please consider nominating your most highly cited paper! *(This paper does not require E&ERC UNSW to be the host institution, but if the author was based at UNSW and was published after 2007, the paper must list the E&ERC in the address).*

E&ERC Impact Paper Award

Please nominate the paper you published in 2017 in the journal with highest impact (E&ERC must be listed in affiliation). The award will be given to the paper in the highest impact journal relative to its field, as assessed on the basis of journal metrics. Please include with your submission the journal's draft ERA classification (A*, A, B or C), its impact factor, ranking within its discipline, and number of journals in the discipline (e.g. Journal of Ecology, A-rated journal, IF=4.262, ranked 17th of 124 Ecology journals).

E&ERC Significant Collaboration Award

For the paper judged to be the most significant new collaborative paper published by an E&ERC member in 2017 (E&ERC must be listed in affiliation). Please include a brief statement (no more than one paragraph) of why this collaboration was especially significant, and a single sentence saying what each E&ERC author contributed.