

2013 Elections to the CEL/ELC Board Declaration of candidature

I hereby declare my candidature for the elections to the Board which will be held at the 15th General Assembly (Berlin, 29 November 2013).

First name: Boris

Second name: Vejdovsky

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I should like to make the following contribution(s) to the future development of the CEL/ELC:

Work on the future of the philological depts. within a vaster reflection on the future of the humanities. With respect to that, conduct action for the development of language studies and multilingualism to promote and enhance their cultural and economic value.

I have CEL/ELC-relevant expertise and experience in the following fields:

Teaching language and literature in non-native language contexts. Multilingualism, cultures in contact, cultural studies, American studies, global studies. Institutional experience, especially at the level of language of language policies.

My fields of interest are:

American literatures, comparative literature, literary and cultural theories. My personal and educational background is multilingual and I am particularly interested in language acquisition processes and languages in contact. I am also interested in translation and translatability. My specialty, American studies and literature, has led me to investigate the role of the humanities in the current global economic and political context—I am interested, in one word, in the role of language (learning) in a time of crisis.

Place: Lausanne, Dorigny, Switzerland

Date: October 2013

Signature: BV