



# Sociological Research Online Call for Chair of the Editorial Board

SRO is seeking a new Chair of the Editorial Board, 2025-2029

**Deadline for applications: 13 October 2025, 17:00 BST**

The Chair of the Board will have authority, flexibility and impartiality. The role involves oversight of the Editorial Board, including chairing the Board meetings, liaison between various parties, the handling of potentially contentious and sensitive issues such as appeals of editorial decisions and publishing ethics complaints. We therefore welcome applications from senior scholars (Reader or above, or equivalent) or with relevant experience.

The Editorial Board meetings once a year virtually, via Zoom. With an Editorial Board of 50+ individuals, based internationally, we are looking for a chair with experience of chairing large meetings and fostering participation. These meetings are supported by the BSA staff.

Nominees should demonstrate previous experience of the SRO journal, understanding its ethos, and be nominated by a current BSA member and, ideally, an SRO Editorial Board member. Experience may include having published or reviewed extensively with the journal. Nominees should be BSA members at time of nomination and will maintain BSA membership throughout the term of office.

Activities of the Chair include (but are not limited to):

- Chairing yearly editorial board meetings in November
- Working with the Publications Coordinator and editors to set the Board meeting agenda
- Overseeing recruitment and election processes for new board members
- Chairing the judging panel for the annual SAGE Prize for Excellence/Innovation
- Championing the journal at events, conferences and on social media
- Handling journal disputes and complaints processes
- Editing submissions from members of the Editorial Team
- Ensuring the journal adheres to the [BSA Journal Terms of Reference](#)

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Nominations should be submitted by email including the name of the candidate, name of the nominator and a short statement demonstrating suitability for the role.

To submit an application, please email the SRO Editorial Office:  
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