



## Join the Executive Committee of CHES

There are several vacancies arising on the Committee for Heads of Environmental Science (CHES) Executive Committee this year. The Committee is responsible for managing the business and activities of CHES, commissioning research into environmental science education and determining the criteria for our international accreditation scheme. We are looking for members who want to support the next exciting stage of development for the education arm of the IES. This is a unique opportunity to contribute to, and shape the future of, the environmental sector from within the education sector.

CHES currently accredits 114 programmes across 50 Higher and Further Education Institutions in the UK and internationally, the largest accreditation scheme of environmental degree programmes in the world.

### What we are looking for

This year we are particularly looking for new committee members who possess any of the following:

- Experience of successfully embedding ED&I at programme/school or institution level
- Networks and contacts in DfE, BEIS and education NGOs
- From an institution currently not represented on the committee

### The role of a committee member

You will be required to attend three meetings a year, where you will have the opportunity to network with other environmental science professors, lecturers and heads of schools. You will be involved in curriculum development and gain valuable experience from assessing a wide range of environmental programmes for CHES/IES accreditation.

In addition, each year we hold a Forum and AGM (in May) where we present sessions and discuss the role CHES has in influencing curriculum and campus sustainability. This event brings together CHES members, environmental science lecturers and those interested in environmental education.

Our Executive committee members serve on a voluntary basis but can be reimbursed out of pocket expenses for attending meetings and for undertaking certain activities on behalf of CHES. New committee members are chosen at each AGM and executive positions are typically held for three years.

New committee members will be given a full induction by IES staff.

### How to get involved

If you would like to be considered for this opportunity, please send your CV and a brief paragraph outlining your relevant skills and experience, and why you want to be on the committee to Adam Donnan ([adam@the-ies.org](mailto:adam@the-ies.org)). If you would like to have a confidential chat with Adam about what is involved in being a committee member, please call 020 7601 1920. If you do not feel the role is suitable for you, please feel free to pass on to a colleague.