

2019 Annual Report

The Snow Leopard Network (SLN) is a worldwide organization dedicated to facilitating the exchange of information between individuals around the world for the purpose of snow leopard conservation. Our membership includes leading snow leopard experts in the public, private, and non-profit sectors.

The main goal of this organization is to implement the Snow Leopard Survival Strategy (SLSS), which offers a comprehensive analysis of the issues facing snow leopard conservation today.

Our 2018-2020 SLN Steering Committee consists of:

Ms. Lu Zhi, Ph.D. (People's Republic of China) - Chair Ms. Belinda Wright (India) - Member Mr. Jaffar Ud Din (Pakistan) - Member Mr. Kubanychbek Jumabay Uulu (Kyrgyzstan) - Member Ms. Li Juan, Ph.D. (People's Republic of China) - Member Mr. Sandro Lovari, Ph.D. (Italy) - Member Mr. Som B Ale, Ph.D. (Nepal) – Member

Our New Executive Director:

Dr. Justine Shanti Alexander will be taking over the mantle of Executive Director of SLN, from Dr. Charudutt Mishra, starting 1_{st} January, 2020, for an initial period of 5 years.

After completing her Ph.D. on snow leopards in China, Justine has continued to work tirelessly in the field, supporting conservationists in China, Pakistan, India, Kyrgyzstan, and Mongolia. She has also been supporting GSLEP and PAWS efforts, and has published multiple papers and supported countless students.

Membership

By the end of 2019, SLN membership totalled 758 members from 47 countries. 20 new members were welcomed to the SLN this year. We currently have 566 Individual members, 69 Organisational members and 123 Affiliate members.

Bibliography

By the end of 2019 the SLN Bibliography contained 1470 articles and references.

SLN Communications

During 2019 the SLN continued to actively share news and information from members and others via the List Serve, the website and the SLN Twitter account. We now have 799 followers on Twitter.

Grants Program

Efforts to revive the Grants Program have been initiated. The outgoing SLN Executive Director has assured the designate ED of some support to revive the Grants Program on behalf of the Snow Leopard Trust, provided a similar amount or more can be raised by the Steering Committee and partners.