

# The Marie-Pierre Ryser-Degiorgis Award



## The Marie-Pierre Ryser-Degiorgis Excellence in Wildlife Health Award

honours an EWDA member who has made an outstanding contribution to the field of wildlife health through inspirational, innovative and/or impactful practice.

The EWDA Board is pleased to introduce a new Award implemented in memory of [Marie-Pierre Ryser-Degiorgis](#). Marie-Pierre was a devoted member of the Association, which she considered as her extended family. Her sharp mind and rare talent for [understanding the necessary interdisciplinary approach to wildlife disease investigation](#) made her one of the experts in the field, as evidenced by the vast number of appointments she held and contributions she made at the national and international level. This was only paralleled by her commitment to [sharing knowledge](#) and training professionals in the wildlife health field.



### Award criteria

- Any EWDA member, or group of EWDA members, may nominate an EWDA member for this Award.
- The Award is open to EWDA members across career stages.

### Nomination instructions

Please send nominations to the [EWDA secretary](#) and include:

- Candidate's **CV** or equivalent.
- **Letter of nomination** (~1-2 pages) specifically addressing how the candidate meets the selection **criteria** for the Award:
  - is a member of the EWDA.
  - has made an outstanding contribution to the field of wildlife health through one or more of the following:
    - 1. inspiration:** e.g. mentorship, leadership, collaboration
    - 2. innovation:** e.g. methods development, training, pioneering approach
    - 3. impact:** e.g. conservation, animal welfare, community support.

**Deadline for nomination is always  
April 15<sup>th</sup> of an EWDA conference year**