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ECBA will inform, safeguard, stimulate and communicate with modern biology.

ECBA recognises that biology is a living science, a continuum from classic academic science to being a cornerstone for a prosperous future.

ECBA supports the development of a sustainable society by progressing all aspects of biology, old and newly discovered, including established and newly establishing biological disciplines, in a balanced fashion, and presents them in a clear and comprehensible manner to end users in industry, politics and academia as well as to the general public.



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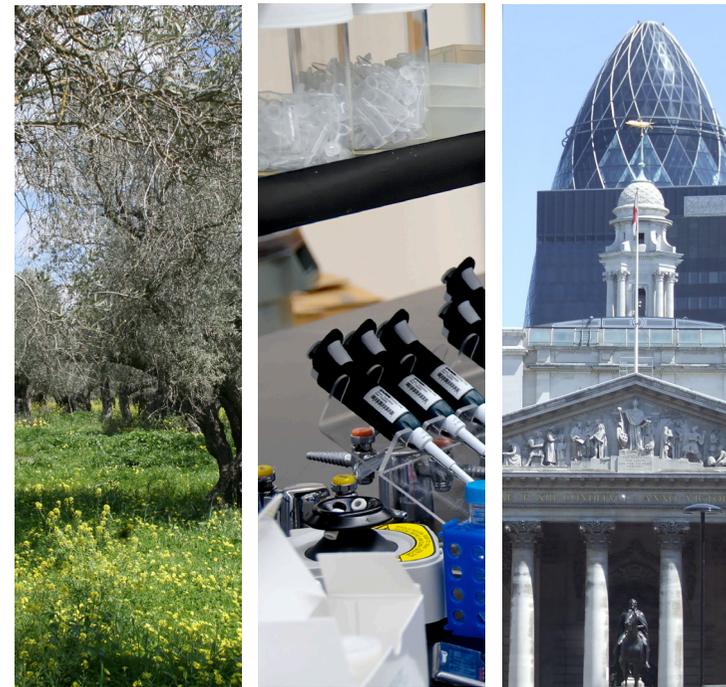
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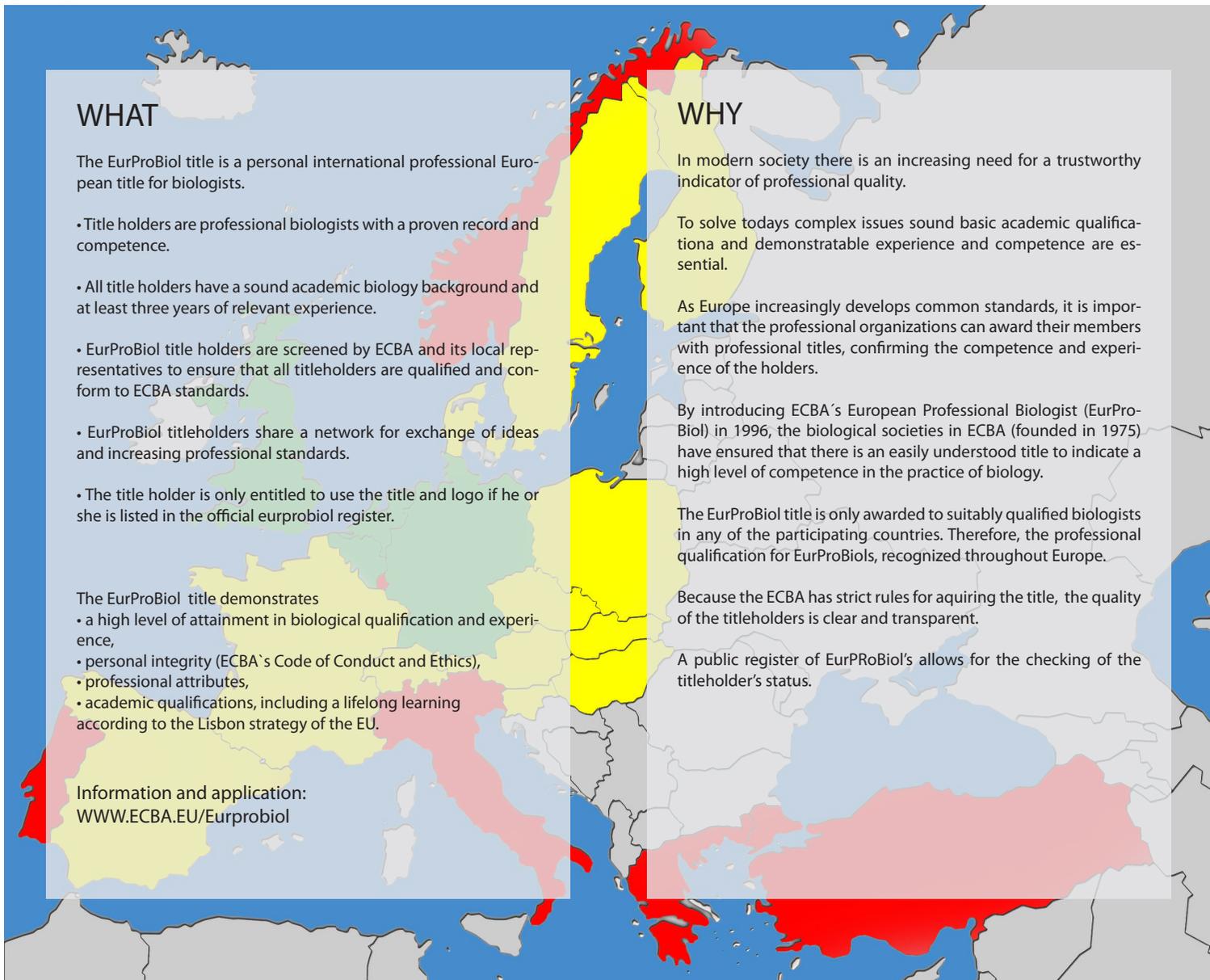
**European Professional Biologist**



**European Countries Biologists Association**

ECBA represents

- Austria,
- Belgium
- Bulgaria
- Cyprus
- Denmark
- Estonia
- France
- Germany
- Greece
- Ireland
- Italy
- Finland
- Latvia
- Lithuania
- Luxembourg
- The Netherlands
- Norway
- Poland
- Portugal
- Spain
- Sweden
- Switzerland
- Turkey
- United Kingdom



## WHAT

The EurProBiol title is a personal international professional European title for biologists.

- Title holders are professional biologists with a proven record and competence.
- All title holders have a sound academic biology background and at least three years of relevant experience.
- EurProBiol title holders are screened by ECBA and its local representatives to ensure that all titleholders are qualified and conform to ECBA standards.
- EurProBiol titleholders share a network for exchange of ideas and increasing professional standards.
- The title holder is only entitled to use the title and logo if he or she is listed in the official eurprobiol register.

The EurProBiol title demonstrates

- a high level of attainment in biological qualification and experience,
- personal integrity (ECBA's Code of Conduct and Ethics),
- professional attributes,
- academic qualifications, including a lifelong learning according to the Lisbon strategy of the EU.

Information and application:  
[WWW.ECBA.EU/Eurprobiol](http://WWW.ECBA.EU/Eurprobiol)

## WHY

In modern society there is an increasing need for a trustworthy indicator of professional quality.

To solve today's complex issues sound basic academic qualifications and demonstrable experience and competence are essential.

As Europe increasingly develops common standards, it is important that the professional organizations can award their members with professional titles, confirming the competence and experience of the holders.

By introducing ECBA's European Professional Biologist (EurProBiol) in 1996, the biological societies in ECBA (founded in 1975) have ensured that there is an easily understood title to indicate a high level of competence in the practice of biology.

The EurProBiol title is only awarded to suitably qualified biologists in any of the participating countries. Therefore, the professional qualification for EurProBiols, recognized throughout Europe.

Because the ECBA has strict rules for acquiring the title, the quality of the titleholders is clear and transparent.

A public register of EurProBiol's allows for the checking of the titleholder's status.

Each applicant must have two referees, supporting their application.

Registration lasts for a period of 3 years.

Recertification is required after three years of initial registration.

Removal from the EurProBiol Register if a title holder has ceased to be a full Member of his/her national biological association or has been adjudged by the relevant national biological association to be guilty of professional misconduct.