

IJWF Outstanding Associate Editor Award 2019

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Fernando Ojeda, Professor of Botany, University of Cádiz Spain; leading researcher of the FEBIMED research group (<https://www.febimed.org>).

The reputation and performance of a journal's Editorial Board is vital in maintaining the quality and continually improving the stature and visibility of that journal. On this note, we are very pleased to announce that Professor Fernando Ojeda is the winner of the Outstanding Editor Award of the International Journal of Wildland Fire for 2019. Please join us in congratulating Fernando for his many years of dedicated and exceptional level of service to the journal as an Associate Editor.

Based at the Department of Biology at the University of Cádiz since 2008, Fernando's research group is located in the Strait of Gibraltar region, a major plant biodiversity hotspot within the Mediterranean Basin. As such, his research interests lie in the areas of plant biogeography, ecology of fire and evolution of Mediterranean plants, biotic interactions in carnivorous plants, and biodiversity and conservation of fire-prone Mediterranean heathlands.

Fernando graduated with a Ph.D. from the University of Sevilla, Spain, in 1995. He is the author of 80 scientific contributions (<https://scholar.google.es/citations?user=os085oEAAAAJ&hl=es>). In the last five years, he has led two research projects and one research contract, and has a strong commitment to outreach and education, as evidenced by his involvement in the production of two documentaries, one on the ecology and biodiversity of the *herriza* or Mediterranean heathland (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u0YpOcl27Nw>) and a more recent one on the ecology of the carnivorous plant *Drosophyllum lusitanicum* (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vy-fPF6Kejw>).



Fernando has been an Associate Editor of the International Journal of Wildland Fire since May 2006. We are pleased to add the 2019 IJWF Outstanding Editor Award to his impressive list of achievements, and we most whole-heartedly thank him for his exceptional service to the International Journal of Wildland Fire.