



## NOMINATION APPLICATION FORM

### Section 1: Applicant Details:

**Name:** Jacques Fretey

**Nominated position:** Awards Committee - Lifetime Achievement Awardee  
(2 x Positions)

**Professional affiliations:** Sea Turtle Research Center, Chelonée

**Country of residence:** France

**Geographic area of work:** French overseas territories, West Africa and Djibouti

### Section 2: Applicant Response:

**How would you describe your work with sea turtles?**

Researcher

**How many years have you worked with sea turtles?**

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**Which Annual Sea Turtle Symposia, or Annual Workshops have you attended?**

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**Have you been involved with any Symposium activities?**

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**What would you like the Nominating Committee, Board of Directors, and membership to know about you as a candidate for your nominated position? In what ways would you like to contribute to the Symposium/ International Sea Turtle Society?**

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**How do you envision using the Symposium to advance sea turtle biology and promote conservation?**

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**Why is the ISTS as an organization important to you, professionally and personally? What is your vision for the ISTS over the next 5 to 10 years?**

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**Please include a 250-word bio**

Scientific godson of Jean Rostand, young naturalist, Jacques Fretey received the Fondation de la Vocation prize in 1970. 1974: he was taken on as a research associate at the National Museum of Natural History in Paris. He published his first guide to the Amphibians and Reptiles of France in 1975. From 1977, he worked in French Guiana on Reptiles under the direction of Jean Lescure. He specializes in turtles, especially sea turtles. He works on the taxonomy of Guyanese species. Having become a specialist in the Leatherback Turtle, from 1979 to 1996 (for the Paris Museum, Greenpeace, WWF) he directed the study and conservation campaigns for the marine turtles of Guyana. In 1981, Professor Archie Carr took him into his IUCN Marine Turtle Specialist Group. In 1984, he experimented for the first time in the world with an Argos beacon on a Luth. 1992: Editor of classification projects as a Ramsar site (Wetlands of International Interest) and nature reserve in the Lower Mana region (French Guiana) for the French Ministry of the Environment. In 1999, with Douglas Hykle, Deputy Secretary of the CMS, he created the Abidjan Memorandum and became its scientific advisor. He sets up projects in Gabon, Congo, Sao Tome and Principe, Cameroon, Togo, Guinea and Mauritania. 2000: Distinction by receiving the Tropical Conservation International Award. 2002: Launch of the idea of a regional scientific center for marine turtles with rehabilitation of the Museum of the Sea on the island of Gorée (Senegal). Working on

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the classification as a marine national park of a large part (118,000 ha) of the southwest of the town of Kribi, in Cameroon.

Has published around 200 scientific publications and written (alone or with others) around twenty books.

**Photo:**

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## **Section 3: Declaration**

**Circle your response to the below statements:**

I am a current member of ISTS Yes

I have read and understand the ISTS by-laws and constitution Yes

I have read and understand the terms of reference for the position which I am nominating for: Yes

For Board of Directors nominees, I understand that the Annual Board Retreat is usually in the 3rd week of August: Yes

**For Board of Directors nominees: Please read the following statement and add your initials below to confirm you understand the workload involved:**

***The Board is a working Board. All members of the Board are expected to carry the workload, share the responsibility of assigned tasks, and respond to written communications – this can typically be 40+ hours per year in addition to the Board meeting at the Symposium and the Board Retreat. If a Board member does not maintain their ISTS membership and demonstrate a high level of commitment to the ISTS as described in the Board members' TORs, they will be asked to resign from the Board. High level of commitment is defined as not missing two consecutive mid-year meetings, except under extenuating circumstances, and annually serving on 1-2 Board task forces, leadership roles, Committees, etc.***