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Call for Nominations for Graduate Women International (GWI) Board of Officers and Standing Committees

The deadline for submitting applications and accompanying forms is strictly 15 August 2022.

(This is the first and only Call for Nominations for the

Board of Officers and Standing Committees)

The 2019-2022 GWI Board invites you to apply to serve on the GWI Board of Officers and its Standing Committees for the Triennium 2022-25.

GWI is a one-hundred-year-old organization whose vision is education for all women and girls to the highest level, leadership in peace and human rights and collaboration among graduate women around the world in the advancement of this vision.

Recently, GWI has established two goals: To develop a sharper focus on Sustainable Development Goal 4 (SDG4) — Inclusive, Equal and Quality Education for All and; To work with United Nations (UN) agencies, national SDG agencies and global funders in the expansion of SDG 4 in our respective National Federation and Association (NFA) countries.

Additionally, we are about to launch our "Renew and Rebuild GWI Training Program" voted for by the General Assembly to provide "hands on" support for our NFAs with Membership Recruitment and Retention and Organizational Management for NFAs so that we all have the competencies required to build working relationships with external stake holders. Our "Renew and Rebuild GWI Training Program" conducted by a *pro bono* instructor, is projected for completion within the first couple of months of 2023.

Naturally, our work in advocacy will continue apace on behalf of our NFAs to maximize our consultative status with United Nations Economic and Social Council, UNESCO, International Labour Organisation and the, International Telecommunication Union as will our close relationship with the UN Human Rights Council and other UN agencies in Geneva, Switzerland.

In other words, GWI is about to enter an incredibly exciting and productive stage of its work that will make a measurable impact in education for women and girls.

Based on this projection, we hope that members will step forward for Board and Committee positions to lead GWI in the post-pandemic era – a time of unparalleled opportunity

for the GWI leadership to rise to challenges and to gain exponential benefits for the organization.

During the next Triennium, should they require it, incoming Board and Committee members will, in addition to a comprehensive Orientation Session, have access to advice from the Governance Committee as well as an advisory body of members and non-members with experience in the management of international non-government organisations.

Elections will be held for all nine positions on the GWI Board: President of the Board, Treasurer, VP for Governance and Legal, VP for Membership, VP for Advocacy, VP for Education, VP for Projects, VP for Fundraising and VP for Marketing.

Elections will be held for Convenors and Members of the Governance Committee, Membership Committee, Education Committee, and the Projects Development Committee as well as for the members of the Finance Committee.

The two Assistant Treasurers proposed by the Swiss and Canadian NFAs, will be appointed at the General Assembly.

The Convenors and Members of the Special Committees e.g., the Award of International Fellowships, the Resolutions Committee and the Hegg Hoffet Fund will be appointed by the Board of Officers.

Candidates standing for both the Board of Officers and a Committee, must complete a form for each position.

Executive Board job descriptions, Committee Terms of Reference, NFA Nomination Form, and the Candidate BioData form can be found below:

Executive Board Descriptions

Committee Terms of Reference

NFA Nomination Form

Candidate BioData Form Board

Candidate BioData Form Education Committee

Candidate BioData Form Finance Committee

Candidate BioData Form Governance Committee

Candidate BioData Form Hegg Hoffet Committee

Candidate BioData Form Award for International Fellowship Committee

Candidate BioData Form Membership Committee

Candidate BioData Form Projects Development Committee

Candidate BioData Form Resolutions Committee

A slate of candidates for the Board of Officers and Committee positions will be developed by the GWI 2022 Nominations Committee and will be posted to the website for your perusal and information in a timely matter.

The deadline for submitting applications and accompanying forms is strictly August 15, 2022.

Please note that each applicant's submission, must be accompanied by a completed form from the President of the applicant's NFA supporting the applicant's submission.

All applicant forms for Board of Officers, Committee positions and support forms to be completed by NFA leadership can be found here.

Please make sure that you answer all questions fully and sign to accept all Terms and Conditions included in the forms. All application and accompanying forms should be sent to veena.bathe@gmail.com, no later than 15 August 2022.

Please understand that the Nominations Committee cannot follow-up on incomplete forms.

Elections will be held at the 2022 AGM in November. Votes will be cast by voting delegates only.

This will be the only Call for Nominations.

The GWI Board of Officers encourages you to apply, and we look forward to hearing from you.

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