

INDEPTH Network

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR ELECTIONS TO THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES AT THE 2010 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING IN ACCRA, GHANA.

Introduction

Current membership and tenure of the Board

(1) Elected Members

Name	HDSS	Date Elected/Reelected	End of Term	Remarks
Dr. Seth Owusu-Agyei	Kintampo HDSS, Ghana	2008	2010	Position falls vacant
Dr. Kayla Laserson	Kisumu HDSS, Kenya	2008	2010	Position falls vacant but eligible to serve a second term
Prof. Peter Aaby	Bandim HDSS, Guinea-Bissau	2009	2011	Continues on the Board
Dr. Sanjay K. Juvekar	Vadu HDSS, India	2009	2011	Continues on the Board
Dr. Honorati Massanja	Rufiji HDSS, Tanzania	2009	2011	Continues on Board
Dr. Alie Sie	Nouna HDSS, Burkina Faso	2009	2010	Position falls vacant but eligible to serve a second term

(2) Appointed Members

Name	Country	Date Appointed	End of Term	Remarks
Dr. Andreas Heddini	Sweden	2009	2011	Continues on the Board
Dr. Cheikh Mbacke	Senegal	2008	2010	End of second term on the Board
Dr. Osman Sankoh	Ghana	2008	Open	When he ceases to be Executive Director of the Network
Dr. Marcel Tanner	Switzerland	2010	2012 (first term)	Eligible for re-appointment.

(3) Co-opted Member

Name	Country	Date co-opted	End of term	Remarks
Professor David Ross	England	2009	Open	For the duration as chair of the SAC

(4) The following positions will **fall vacant** at the 2010 AGM in Accra, Ghana:

Dr. S. Owusu-Agyei

Dr. Kayla Laserson

Dr. Ali Sie

(5) The following members are eligible for serve another term if re-elected at the 2010 AGM.

Dr. Laserson

Dr. Sie

(6) Nominations are therefore invited for the 3 positions which will fall vacant.

(7) Nomination and election a Member to the Board

The Regulations provide two methods by which nomination and election to the Board may be made.

First:

- (a) A Full Member (represented by a Site Leader) is nominated by another Full Member (represented by a Site Leader);
- (b) A member of Full Member with the consent of his/her Site Leader is nominated by another Full Member (represented by a Site Leader); and
- (c) The nominee consents in writing at least 21 days before the date of the AGM.

Second:

- (a) A Full Member (represented by a Site Leader) is nominated by another Full Member (represented by a Site Leader);
- (b) A member of Full Member with the consent of his/her Site Leader is nominated by another Full Member (represented by a Site Leader); and
- (c) The nominee consents in writing up to a day before the elections at the AGM.

The preference of the Network has been for a combination the two methods.

The Regulations also provide for a postal ballot by all Full Members (represented by Site Leaders) before the AGM or by secret ballot at the AGM. Again, the preference of the Network has been for secret ballot at the AGM.

The Regulations as amended at the 2009 AGM in Pune, India, also provide that:

1. a member who has served either a term or two on the Board shall be eligible to compete again for membership of the Board after the expiration of 4 years after the end of his/her term; and
2. a member of an HDSS Site shall not be eligible to compete for membership of the Board until after the expiration of 2 years after the end of term of a member from that Site.

Accordingly, INDEPTH HDSS Site Leaders are invited to submit nominations of Full Members (Site Leaders or Members of Sites) accompanied by written consent of the

nominees for election to the Board at the 2010 AGM, in Accra, Ghana, to fill the positions that would fall vacant.

A biosketch of the nominee (not exceeding one page) must be attached to the nomination.

Nomination for election to the Board will remain open until 24 hours before the election at the 2010 AGM in Accra, Ghana.

For the avoidance of doubt please note that:

- A member seeking election to the Board must be nominated by a Site Leader other than his/her own **AND** must be seconded by a Site leader other than his/her own.
- A member who is not a Site Leader who is seeking election to the Board **must** additionally secure the consent of the Leader of his/her Site.

Please note:

- (a) A member retiring from the Board at the 2010 AGM by reason of serving a second term may not be nominated for election to the Board. A Member who has previously served on the Board is, however, eligible for election to the Board provided he/she retired from the Board at the 2005 AGM.
- (b) It is also provided in the Regulations that “those members of the Board who do not desire to continue in office shall notify the Secretariat at least 21 days before the AGM of their intention not to stand for re-election”.
- (c) It is further provided in the Regulations that “a member of the Board who desires to continue on the Board shall be deemed to be validly nominated and seconded if he does not notify the Secretariat that he or she does not intend to continue in office at least 21 days before the AGM”.

Nominations should be sent to the Executive Director by e-mail: osman.sankoh@indepth-network.org or by hand by 20:00 hours on the day preceding the elections at the 2010 AGM in Accra, Ghana.

Among the positions to be filled, the successful candidate with the least number of valid votes cast will serve a one –year term only, but where it is his or her first election to the Board, he or she will be eligible to serve another term.