

Nominations for the executive board of ILGA-Europe

One of the major advantages of being a full member organisation is that you effectively have a **chance to choose and influence the leadership of ILGA-Europe**. Whilst voting takes place at the Conference itself, nominations for the Board of the future take place well before the Conference.

Does your organisation or any other organisation you know have a good candidate in mind for the post?

The nominations will be primarily reviewed by the **Election Preparation Committee** and subsequently presented at the conference.

The Election Preparation Committee was established following the proposal passed at 2007 ILGA-Europe Conference.

As decided by the conference the EPC will:

- Receive nominations for the executive board of ILGA-Europe and the European representatives in the ILGA board for the elections at the 2008 conference;
- Actively seek nominations to ensure a broad representation among the candidates;
- Present the candidates and their qualifications to the 2008 conference.

The Committee's main purpose however will be primarily to inform the member organizations on the work and functions of the Board and subsequently encourage them to nominate candidates for the Board.

Please read through the description below of experience and qualifications useful for the individual board members of ILGA-Europe board, complete the Board nomination form and **submit it to:**

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Brussels B-1210
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by latest 12th September 2008

Please note: The nominating organisation must be a member of ILGA.

If you have any questions on the work of the Board, commitments of the Board members or key areas of work of ILGA-Europe, please don't hesitate to contact members of the election committee at: electioncommittee@ilga-europe.org

Who are we looking for?

1. Responsibilities of board members:

- Board members customarily serve for two years and are expected to attend Board meetings and ILGA-Europe conferences (when possible);
- Board members are expected to participate in e-mail discussions of Board matters;
- Board members are expected to represent the organisation in public (when necessary).

2. Useful skills and experience

Serving in an international capacity is an exciting and challenging opportunity; therefore with regard to instructions pertaining to the work within the board please consider the following:

- Are you willing to commit to work for the whole duration of the mandate?
- Are you a good team player and willing to work in a (international) team?
- Are you able and willing to manage your time to carry out board business efficiently?
- Are you able / willing to work on both political and administrative level?
- Do you have experience in representing an organisation in public?
- Do you have good communication skills and are able to communicate within diverse environments – e.g. in relation to member organisations, staff, other board members and media?
- Do you have or are willing to obtain experience in advocacy and lobbying relevant for following and fulfilling organisational aims and objectives?

3. Key areas of work of ILGA-Europe board:

In order to efficiently support ILGA-Europe staff, fulfil obligations to its members, partners and supporters the work of ILGA-Europe board mainly focuses on the following:

- a) Strategic planning
- b) Formulating needed policies
- c) Approve and monitor the organisation's programmes and services
- d) Ensure adequate financial resources - in conjunction with the Executive Director and the Finance and Administration Manager
- e) Understand and respect the relationship between board and staff
- f) Act as a responsible employer
- g) Enhance the organisation's public image
- h) Carefully induct new board members
- i) Carry out board business efficiently

For more information on ILGA-Europe executive board work please go to:

http://www.ilga-europe.org/europe/about_us/executive_board/the_hitch_hiker_s_guide_to_ilga_europe_board_august_2004