



**International Science Council  
Statutory Advisory Bodies  
Call for Nominations**

**The deadline for submission of all nominations is 15 May 2019.**

To: Members of the International Science Council (ISC)  
From: The Governing Board of the ISC

In accordance with the ISC Statutes and Rules of Procedure, four Advisory Bodies will be set up to advise the Governing Board on key aspects of the Council's work and the Governing Board's duties. These Committees will be appointed by the Governing Board on the basis of nominations by Members.

**Call for ISC Statutory Advisory Bodies' Nominations**

We are writing now to invite nominations for membership of the following ISC Statutory Advisory Bodies:

- Committee for Science Planning
- Committee for Outreach and Engagement
- Committee for Freedom and Responsibility in Science
- Committee for Finance and Fundraising

We are pleased to invite you to submit nominations for these bodies. You may nominate:

- A single candidate for each of the four Statutory Advisory Bodies. Thus, each Member may submit **up to four nominations, one per each Advisory Body**.

**Key criteria for selecting members**

When making your nominations, please be sure to inform your candidate(s) of the responsibilities of Statutory Advisory Bodies' membership. The main criteria for selection are relevant expertise, experience and interest in relation to each Advisory Body.

The capacity to dedicate significant time to the task is an essential criterion. This includes attendance at Committee meetings once per year in-person, and the ability to engage actively outside of formal meetings in pursuing Committee responsibilities. The Committees will conduct their ongoing work mostly through virtual meetings. They will be supported by Secretariat staff. The term of service is three years, starting on 1 July 2019.



The Members, through nominations, will encourage a relevant representation from the world of **policy, business** and **civil society**.

Further details on Terms of Reference and the duties of ISC Statutory Advisory Bodies are provided in the Annex and the relevant Nominations form.

The Statutes make provision for up to 12 members per Committee. While striving for diversity across the Committees with respect to disciplines, regions, gender and other categories, the Governing Board intends to ensure that the sizes of Committees are such as to ensure maximum effectiveness in the execution of their responsibilities. In this regard the Board will also rely on the advice of the independent advisors listed below.

The chairs and vice-chairs of the four Committees are:

*Committee for Science Planning*

Peter Gluckman (President-Elect), chair

Geoffrey Boulton, vice-chair

*Committee for Outreach and Engagement*

Martin Visbeck, chair

Melody Burkins, vice-chair

*Committee for Freedom and Responsibility in Science*

Daya Reddy (President), chair

Saths Cooper, vice-chair

*Committee for Finance and Fundraising*

Renee van Kessel (Treasurer), chair

Sirimali Fernando, vice-chair

Independent advisors

The Governing Board has appointed, as per Article 31 of the ISC Statutes, four independent advisors who will assist in ensuring that the Committees will include people with the right knowledge and expertise, and who will encourage a relevant representation from the world of policy, business and civil society.

The appointed four independent advisors<sup>1</sup> are:

Bruce Alberts      USA

Gudmund Hernes      Norway

Julie Maxton      UK

Zakri Abdul Hamid      Malaysia

The submission process

Nominations should be submitted on the attached form – please note that there are **four forms in total**, one per Committee, thus you are asked to fill in the form corresponding to the Committee you would like to nominate a candidate for.

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<sup>1</sup> Please note that the four independent advisors are not eligible for appointment to the ISC Statutory Advisory Bodies



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Each form should include a statement of motivation by the proposed candidate, as well as the agreement of the candidate to serve if appointed.

Nominations should be submitted by email to [maureen.brennan@council.science](mailto:maureen.brennan@council.science)

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Timeline of the nominations and appointment process

1 April 2019	Call for Nominations sent to Members
15 May 2019	Deadline for submitting nominations
18-19 June 2019	Governing Board decision on the composition of the Committees
end June 2019	Governing Board Communiqué to Members

Should you have any questions regarding the nomination and appointment process, please do not hesitate to contact Vivi Stavrou at [vivi.stavrou@council.science](mailto:vivi.stavrou@council.science).

Daya Reddy  
President ISC  
*on behalf of the Governing Board*



**Annex: Skills and competencies required to fulfil the Advisory Bodies responsibilities**

The Terms of Reference for the Committee’s are taken from the Statutes and Rules of Procedure (RoP). The full text of the ISC Statutes and Rules of Procedure are accessible here: [<https://council.science/publications/statutes-and-rules-of-procedure>]

*RoP Article 10.9* For the Advisory Bodies, the Members – through nominations – and the advisors as mentioned in Statute 31, will encourage a relevant representation from the world of policy, business and civil society.

<b>Committee for Science Planning</b>	
<b>Skills and Competencies</b>	<b>ISC Statutes and Rules of Procedure</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Internationally recognized achievements and contributions to science and science leadership;</li> <li>2. Broad-based knowledge of current trends in international science (beyond specific areas) and demonstrated broad-based engagement;</li> <li>3. Knowledge of major issues concerning science for policy, policy for science, and of current and future trends in science and technology;</li> <li>4. An understanding of transdisciplinarity and interdisciplinarity.</li> </ol>	<p><i>Statutes, Article 31a:</i> Committee for Science Planning will undertake scientific strategic planning and reviews and address major thematic issues concerned with science-for-policy and policy-for-science.</p> <p><i>RoP Article 10.2</i> The Committee for Science Planning shall:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) advise the Governing Board on the future course of its activities in line with the Council’s vision and mission;</li> <li>b) address major thematic issues concerned with science, science-for-policy and policy-for-science, knowledge systems and science education;</li> <li>c) coordinate the collection and development of proposals for major new scientific initiatives by the Council, and</li> <li>d) advise the Governing Board on priorities for such initiatives;</li> <li>e) consider, in consultation with co-sponsors, hosts and funders, the need for reviews of international programmes, networks and coordinating structures; and, in line with the Council’s high-level strategy, advise the Governing Board on necessary follow-up actions.</li> </ol>
<b>Committee for Outreach and Engagement</b>	
<b>Skills and Competencies</b>	<b>ISC Statutes and Rules of Procedure</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Experience in developing global, regional and/or national science networks, and science-policy and science-societal interactions;</li> <li>2. Outstanding networks and convening power in the scientific, policy, business</li> </ol>	<p><i>Statutes, Article 31b:</i> Committee for Outreach and Engagement will engage with Members, and focus on Membership matters, outreach to external stakeholders, partnerships, and strategic communications.</p> <p><i>RoP Article 10.3</i> The Committee for Outreach and Engagement shall:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) assist and advise on Membership relations, as well as expansion of the Membership;</li> </ol>



<p>or any other sector relevant to the Council’s mission and objectives;</p> <p>3. Experience and capacity to guide the development of strategic communications and outreach;</p> <p>4. A high-level influencer on social media networks or experienced in social media strategies;</p> <p>5. A background in international journalism or knowledge of the global media;</p> <p>6. A background in innovation, such as a member of a media lab at a university or a tech magazine.</p>	<p>b) engage with external stakeholders to further the impact and visibility of the Council;</p> <p>c) establish and maintain strategic partnerships in line with the High-Level Strategy;</p> <p>d) advise on strategic communications and public outreach activities;</p> <p>e) advise and assist with media relations;</p> <p>f) advise on any necessary science diplomacy for the Council.</p>
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**Committee for Freedom and Responsibility in Science**

<b>Skills and Competencies</b>	<b>ISC Statutes and Rules of Procedure</b>
<p>1. Widely recognized achievements and contributions in defending the value of science, scientific freedom, and promoting responsible conduct and practice in science;</p> <p>2. Knowledge of current regional and global trends and issues in relation to freedom and responsibility in science.</p>	<p><i>Statutes, Article 31c:</i> Committee for Freedom and Responsibility in Science will deal with freedom and responsibility of science issues at the global level.</p> <p><i>RoP Article 10.4</i> The Committee for Freedom and Responsibility in Science shall:</p> <p>a) promote and uphold the Principle of Freedom and Responsibility in Science (Statute 7);</p> <p>b) seek to find solutions to problems concerning the free passage of scientists, free collaboration among scientists and freedom to pursue science;</p> <p>c) monitor adherence to the core values of the Council.</p>

**Committee for Finance and Fundraising**

<b>Skills and Competencies</b>	<b>ISC Statutes and Rules of Procedure</b>
<p>1. Experience in overseeing the finances, budgets and audits of a complex organization;</p> <p>2. Proven track record in the development and implementation of a successful fundraising strategy;</p>	<p><i>Statutes, Article 31d:</i> Committee for Finance and Fundraising, of which the Treasurer will be a Member, will address issues of finance, auditing, resource mobilization, and risk management.</p> <p><i>RoP Article 10.5</i> The Committee for Finance and Fundraising shall:</p> <p>a) make recommendations on finance and budgeting;</p>



<p>3. Knowledge of the arena of science (funding);</p> <p>4. Experience in the development and implementation of internal policy and risk management in a complex organization.</p>	<p>b) oversee the auditing of the accounts, reporting to funders, as well as internal policy development (travel, procurement, etc.) and risk management of the Council;</p> <p>c) develop, maintain and support the implementation of a fundraising strategy.</p>
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