President Specification

For the President role, the Nominations Committee developed two person specifications: the first is similar to the current role combining both external representation and chairing of the Board; the other focuses only on the external role. In the event that a President was elected who wished to focus only on the external role, the Board would appoint a Chair in line with the Articles of Association.

President and Chair Specification

The President is responsible for ensuring that the Board fulfils its responsibilities of governance of IAPB while also acting as its public figurehead.

Leadership: Provide overall leadership to IAPB, both internally and externally, in conjunction with the CEO by:

• ensuring that the organisation has a clearly defined vision supported by medium to long term goals and that these are clearly communicated to all stakeholders.
• articulating that vision publicly and globally and at high level.
• ensuring that the management effort is effectively directed towards achieving the vision and goals.

Representation: Ensure that eye health and eye care are priorities on the global development and health agendas, by:

• being recognised as a senior global figure who speaks on behalf of the eye care sector.
• representing IAPB in international forums to raise the profile and awareness of eye health and eye care increase support for our goals among all potential stakeholders.
• maintaining, further developing and leveraging key personal relationships with the leaders among national and multilateral partners such as the UN, WHO, World Bank, national governments, opinion leaders and key corporates.
• supporting IAPB’s advocacy and resource mobilisation activities.

Governance: Ensure that the Board functions effectively in fulfilling its overall governance role by:

• ensuring that the Council, Board and Committees function effectively by encouraging
the participation of all members/trustees as appropriate.

- chairing meetings efficiently.
- establishing and maintaining an appropriate governance and management structure.
- chairing the Executive Committee, whose role is to act on behalf of the Trustees between Board Meetings.
- agreeing key performance indicators which the trustees can use to monitor and manage the organisations performance.
- ensuring that IAPB fulfils all its statutory reporting and governance obligations and conforms to best practice requirements.
- recruiting the CEO and holding him or her accountable for performance.

**Person Profile**

**Experience**

- Experience of operating at a senior strategic leadership level.
- Successful track record of achievement throughout career.
- Significant experience of chairing meetings of diverse, senior individuals.
- Experience of external representation, making speeches and engaging senior stakeholders.

**Knowledge and skills**

- Excellent communication and networking skills with an ability to inspire and motivate others.
- Well connected with highly developed and relevant global networks which can be leveraged for the benefit of IAPB and its members.
- A broad interest in global health and/or international development.

**Personal qualities**

- Gravitas, visionary thinking and an ability to command respect.
- Strategic vision and strong relationship-building abilities.
- Valuing of others and able to represent an organisation of a wide diversity of cultures, professions and personalities.
- Energy and commitment to the vision and values of IAPB.
Time Commitment

The time commitment required of the President is likely to equate to approximately 2 days per month. This will include:

- Representing IAPB at meetings with the leaders among national and multilateral partners such as the UN, WHO, World Bank, national governments, opinion leaders and key corporates.
- 2 Trustee meetings per annum.
- 6 Executive Committee meetings held over Zoom or Skype per annum.
- The Council of Members meeting and AGM once a year.
- Regular informal conversations with the Chief Executive.
President Specification

The President will be a key external advocate for IAPB, representing and raising the profile of eye health among government, funders, and opinion-leaders. You will be recognised as an inspirational global figure who speaks on behalf of the eye care sector.

You will represent IAPB in international forums and on the global stage to raise awareness of eye health and increase support for our goals among all potential stakeholders.

You will also further develop and leverage key personal relationships with the leaders among national and multilateral partners such as the UN, WHO, World Bank, national governments, opinion leaders and key corporates.

You will bring strong relational ability and emotional intelligence and will partner with the Chief Executive in articulating the vision of IAPB and the eye health sector publicly and globally.

Experience

• Experience of external representation, making speeches and engaging senior stakeholders at the highest levels globally.

• Experience of operating at a senior strategic leadership level.

• Successful track record of achievement throughout career.

• Significant experience of convening meetings with senior politicians and officials within International organisations.

Knowledge and skills

• Excellent communication and networking skills with an ability to inspire and motivate others.

• Well connected with highly developed and relevant global networks which can be leveraged for the benefit of IAPB and its members.

• A broad interest in global health and/or international development.

Personal qualities

• Gravitas, visionary thinking and an ability to command respect.
• Strategic vision and strong relationship-building abilities.
• Valuing of others and able to represent an organisation of a wide diversity of cultures, professions and personalities.
• Energy and commitment to the vision and values of IAPB.

Time Commitment

The time commitment required of the President is likely to equate to a day to a day and a half per month. This will include:
• Representing IAPB at meetings with the leaders among national and multilateral partners such as the UN, WHO, World Bank, national governments, opinion leaders and key corporates.
• Attending two Trustee meetings and the Council of Members meeting per annum.
• Regular informal conversations with the Chief Executive.