Nominee Statement: Amanda Davis

# Position: IAPB Regional Chair: Western Pacific

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| **Nominee Job Title** |
|   | Strategic Initiatives Director |
| **Nominee Organisation** |
|   | The Fred Hollows Foundation |
| **Nominating IAPB member organisation** |
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| **Represented by:** |
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| **Seconded by:** |
|   | Brandon Ah Tong |
| **Seconding IAPB member organisation:** |
|   | The Fred Hollows Foundation |
| **Seconding Statement** |
|   | Amanda Davis as regional chair over the past term has played a pivotal role in helping shape the new global agenda for eye health, both drawing upon her own expert knowledge and representing the views of Western Pacific members with distinction. In leading IAPB’s member engagement in the region at a time of change, Amanda’s natural talent for fostering collaboration, reaching out to those voices not commonly heard and maximising opportunities to share information and bring the membership along on the journey, have come to the fore. Whether it be supporting members to advance policy change for myopia in China, supporting members launch the WHO World Report on Vision in Papua New Guinea, reaching out to members to support the passage of the World Health Assembly resolution or supporting the flow of information in a rapidly changing environment amidst the global COVID-19 pandemic, Amanda’s breadth of engagement across the region has been deep and wide ranging.As the sector and the world moves forward, in making eye health part and parcel of Universal Health Coverage through advancing Integrated People-centred Eye Care, and as we work out how to make eye health a meaningful part of the sustainable development agenda, we need to harness our strengths and tackle our challenges head on. the next 4 years will be a critical time in turning the corner and Amanda’s leadership has demonstrated her affinity to hold the power of the collective as a virtue and an understanding that nothing changes unless it changes in real practical terms on the ground. Amanda has the experience, skills and relationships to help us move forward together, to continue to unfold the global agenda with the views of members in the Western Pacific and to support members unlock the potential in their own contexts. To this end on behalf of The Fred Hollows Foundation, I hereby proudly nominate Amanda Davis for a second term as Regional Chair for the Western Pacific. |
| **Nominee Statement** |
|   | I thank you for considering my nomination as the Regional Chair for the Western Pacific for a second term. I have been honoured to be in the role as Regional Chair for the past four years and believe that with the strength of the membership, generosity of collaboration in the region and strategic and operational support from the IAPB secretariat, we have together achieved so much.The next four years is a pivotal time for IAPB and its members. The development and implementation of a Post 2020 sector strategy, the release of the WRV and the development of the WHO program of work will create the pathways and guidance to collectively achieve the ambitious but necessary targets of the sector. We will build on the foundations, successes and knowledge that has been established through the work of the sector to support the Vision 2020 Right to Sight Campaign. Critical to the success from a regional and global perspective will be that we are working together, communicating effectively, listening to stakeholders and speaking with one voice. This will ensure we broaden and deepen our impact and bring about sustained change.I have been very fortunate to have worked side by side with Drew Keys, our Regional Program Manager for the past 4 years. Together, we have developed strong relationships with our members and partners over the past four years that will be important as we translate a global advocacy approach to a regional and country implementation phase. I am committed to supporting our members through the next four years as we journey together to implement IPEC and the recommendations of the WRV. We will identify our challenges and priorities together and work cohesively to ensure we are making serious strides toward eye health being an integral part of Universal Health Coverage |