Nominee Statement: Caroline Casey

# Position: IAPB President

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| **Nominating IAPB member organisation** | | | |
|  | The Fred Hollows Foundation | | |
| **Represented by:** | | | |
|  | | | Jennifer Gersbeck |
| **Seconded by:** | | | |
|  | | | Scott Mundle |
| **Seconding IAPB member organisation:** | | | |
|  | | World Council of Optometry | |
| **Seconding Statement** | | | |
|  | | At its meeting in April 2019, the Board established a President Nominations Committee to lead the search for a new President for IAPB. I chaired this committee and members included Suzanne Gilbert, Rohit Khanna, Ahmed Trabelsi and Scott Mundle with Bob McMullan and Victoria Sheffield as observers. The committee was supported by Macaulay in conducting a global search.  The process was extensive and exhaustive. The committee considered a large number of candidates. They unanimously recommended Caroline Casey (the links take you to TED talks) as the candidate to be the Board nomination for President. Caroline founded and has grown the The Valuable 500 and has previously been a Trustee of Sightsavers.  The Board decided that it wanted to identify a potential President who would take a lead in high profile, high level external advocacy. At its meeting on 12 October 2020, the Board decided to nominate Caroline as the Board supported candidate for President of IAPB. In particular, it was unanimously agreed that Caroline would be outstanding as a high level leader and advocate because of her passion for advocating for good eye health, and her experience of working with influential people through the Valuable 500 to encourage disability inclusion within the private sector.   Caroline has the experience, networks and integrity to ensure IAPB and its members can achieve its ambitious goals. She believes the time is now and will bring a ‘heads and hearts’ approach to ensure everyone, everywhere has access to eye care. | |
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|  | Video: <https://iapbglobal.sharepoint.com/:v:/g/Membership-Development/Ed6ELHgedmVIh4pZvLzP2XkBsZdSMx646g2foCsxSZkVaQ?e=8NaOO8> | | |