

INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SCHOOLS OF SOCIAL WORK

CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD OF DIRECTORS

We are announcing **four vacancies** on the IASSW Board of Directors from 2024

There is one position open for **President** (years of serving: 2024-2028), one position open for **Secretary** (years of serving: 2024-2028), and two positions for **Member at Large** of the Board of Directors (years of serving: 2024-2028).

The IASSW 2024 Elections will be held between March-April 2024, with results announced at the Joint World Conference on Social Work, Education and Social Development in April 2024 in Panama .

Positions and responsibilities

The President is the Chief Officer of the IASSW and is elected for a 4-year term, eligible to stand for re-election for one additional term. The President is responsible for communicate with Members of the Board of Directors, members of IASSW, and external bodies; represents IASSW externally; acts as a fiduciary officer of IASSW; prepares agendas for meetings of the Executive Committee and Board of Directors meetings and for the General Assembly in congress years; chairs meetings of the Executive Committee, Board of Directors and General Assembly; oversees the appointment of members of standing and ad hoc committees; and prepares regular reports for the Board of Directors, Executive Committee and General Assembly;

The Secretary is elected for a 4-year term and is eligible to stand for re-election for one additional term. The Secretary is responsible for preparing, maintaining and circulating the minutes of the IASSW meetings of the Board of Directors and the General Assembly; preparing regular Secretary's Reports for the Board of Directors, Executive Committee and General Assembly; overseeing the elections process of officers and members at large; and membership recruitment, addressing questions about membership and maintaining membership lists.

The Secretary assumes the duties of the President in the event of absence or incapacity of the President until the Board of Directors appoints a replacement.

Members at Large of the Board of Directors are elected by the membership of the IASSW and serve 4-year terms representing the global membership. As Board of Directors members they are expected to regularly attend Board of Directors meetings; prepare for Board of Directors meetings by reading and considering all relevant reports; receive the biennial audit of the Association; and represent the IASSW to the membership and other relevant constituencies.

Procedures and Documents

Each prospective candidate should have two proposers. **The candidate and the 2 proposers must all be members of the IASSW at the time of the nomination.**

Please also note that:

- An IASSW member can only nominate one person to stand for the elections in one election period.

- A candidate standing for the elections or a member of the Nominating Committee cannot nominate another person to stand for the elections in one election period (to avoid any conflict of interest).
- Ensure the candidate accepts the nomination before you submit nomination forms.
- The first proposer should submit to the Nominating Committee the full package of the nomination documents:
 - 1) the Nominating Form (**Appendix A**) presenting information on a nominee and both proposers;
 - 2) a full CV of the candidate, not exceeding 1000-1200 words (in English);
 - 3) a brief biographical statement of no more than 200 words (in English);
 - 4) a statement of the candidate's vision for the IASSW of no more than 400 words (in English);
 - 5) a photo of a good digital quality.
- **Only complete nomination packages will be considered.**
- ***These materials will be translated in all official languages of IASSW and published with the ballot and on the IASS website.***

The Nominating Committee will consider the potential candidates and use its judgment to evaluate and select a double slate of candidates to stand for office.

The candidate and the proposer and seconder *must all be members of the Association* at the time of the nomination.

Nominations and documents should be sent to the Chair of the IASSW Nominating Committee, Dr. Barbara W. Shank at: nominations@iassw-aiets.org

1st Closing Date for Nominations by Members – 1st June 2023.

APPENDIX A: Nomination Form for the IASSW Election

Information on a nominated person	
Position Nominated for	The President
Full name (in the following format – Name, SURNAME)	Antoinette Lombard
University, department, position	University of Pretoria, Department of Social Work & Criminology Professor of Social Work; Head of Department
Postal address	Private Bag X20, Hatfield, 0028, South Africa
E-mail	antoinette.lombard@up.ac.za
IASSW membership number	111-1-1-SAF
Information on a first proposer	
Full name	Poppy Masinga
University, department, position	SACAP-South African College of Applied Psychology Faculty of Social Work and Community Development; ASASWEI President
Postal address	21 Dreyer Street, Claremont, Cape Town
E-mail	poppy@sacap.edu.za
IASSW membership number	621-1-1 - SAF
Information on a second proposer	
Full name	Angelina Yuen-Tsang
University, department, position	Hon. Professor, Department of Applied Social Sciences, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University.
Postal address	D1,16 Floor, Block D, Beverly Hill, 6 Broadwood Road, Hong Kong
E-mail	angie.yuen@connect.polyu.hk
IASSW membership number	031-4-2-HKG
Reasons for nominating a person to serve on the IASSW Board	
<p>Dr Poppy: I have known Prof. Lombard since 2008 as my research supervisor and Head of Department whilst I worked at the University of Pretoria. She has been actively involved in IASSW, IFSW, CSWE and the Global Agenda as far as I can remember around 2008 when I joined the university. She has involved in spearheading and spreading the work of IASSW/CSWE/IFSW in South Africa and Africa. She is well known in the Region as a Social Development /Policy Scholar and Leader.</p> <p>Prof Angie: I came to know Prof. Antoinette Lombard since 2008 when I became President of IASSW and we have closely collaborated in numerous international capacity building projects, joint conferences and strategic initiatives ever since. Prof. Lombard impresses me as a visionary, passionate, proactive, effective and purpose-driven leader who is committed to further enhancing the responsiveness and leadership of IASSW worldwide and to fostering international collaboration and social transformation through dialogue and partnership.</p>	