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**TRUSTEE NOMINATIONS 2021**

Nominations are being invited for new members of the Board of Trustees of Scotland’s International Development Alliance (the Alliance). If you are interested in standing or want to nominate someone, please fill in the nomination form at the end of this note. Only current full members may nominate Trustees. Please feel free to contact Simon Anderson, Chair of Board, on [chair@intdevalliance.scot](mailto:chair@intdevalliance.scot) for more information on Scotland’s International Development Alliance Board membership.

**TRUSTEE RESPONSIBILITIES & DUTIES**

**Overall Purpose**

The Board of Trustees are responsible for the overall governance and strategic direction of the charity, developing the organisation’s aims, objectives and goals in accordance with the governing documents, legal and regulatory guidelines. The Board meets four times per year and some board members also sit on sub-committees for Finance, HR/Safeguarding, Policy and Membership.

**Main Responsibilities**

* To ensure that the charity and its representatives function within the legal and regulatory framework of the sector and in line with the organisation’s governing documents, continually striving for best practice in governance.
* To uphold the fiduciary duty invested in the position, undertaking such duties in a way that adds to public confidence and trust in the charity.
* To take appropriate professional advice in all matters where there may be material risk to the charity, or where the Trustees may be in breach of their duties. This course of action will ensure the obligation to exercise their duty of care.
* To determine the overall direction and development of the charity through good governance and clear strategic planning.

**Main Duties**

* Ensuring the charity complies with legislative and regulatory requirements and acts within the confines of its governing documents and in furtherance of organisational activities.
* Acting in the best interest of the charity, beneficiaries and future beneficiaries at all times.
* Promoting and developing the charity in order for it to maintain its relevance to society.
* Maintaining sound financial management of the charity’s resources, ensuring expenditure is in line with the organisation’s objects, and investment activities meet accepted standards and policies.
* Interviewing, appointing and monitoring the work and activities of the senior paid staff.
* Ensuring the effective and efficient administration of the charity and its resources, striving for best practice in good governance.
* Acting as a counter-signatory on charity cheques and any applications for funds, if appropriate.

**Accountability**

As the Board are responsible and liable for the governance and functioning of the charity, they are accountable in varying degrees to a variety of stakeholders, including: members, service users, funders, OSCR, and Companies House.

**Time commitment**

* Over the course of a calendar year, Trustees are expected to attend at least three out of the four board meetings, as well as the board away day.
* If they sit on any of the board’s subcommittees, they will be invited to attend quarterly meetings of the relevant subcommittee/s as well. Board members would be expected to attend a minimum of 75% of meetings of any sub-committees they sign up to, in addition to the board meetings and away day.

**TRUSTEE NOMINATION FORM**

**For election to the Alliance Board of Trustees on 1st December 2021**

**Absolute deadline for nominations is 12 noon on Thursday 11th November 2021**

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| Name of Nominated Individual: |  |
| Contact email: |  |

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| In no more than 200 words, please outline the Nominated Individual’s suitability for election as a Trustee to Scotland’s International Development Alliance Board (*this statement will be circulated to Members of Scotland’s International Development Alliance prior to the AGM*): |
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I confirm that I am willing to act as an Elected Trustee of Scotland’s International Development Alliance:

**Signature (*Nominated Individual*)** Date

Nominated by\*:

*\*The Nominated Individual must be nominated by at least two Member Organisations of Scotland’s International Development Alliance*

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| Signature |  |  | Signature |  |
| Name |  |  | Name |  |
| Organisation |  |  | Organisation |  |
| Job Title |  |  | Job Title |  |
| Date |  |  | Date |  |

Please return this form by **12 noon on Thursday 11th November 2021** to [recruitment|@intdevalliance.scot](mailto:recruitment|@intdevalliance.scot)

**If you have any questions: please email Scotland’s International Development Alliance on** [**recruitment@intdevalliance.scot**](mailto:recruitment@intdevalliance.scot)