

## **ANNEX 1 CALL FOR NOMINATIONS TO WFSA COUNCIL 2024-2028<sup>1</sup>**

**I) SUBMISSIONS** will be made online and must include:

1. A completed Application Form.
2. An abbreviated and up-to-date CV/resume (no more than three A4 pages)
3. A letter of motivation outlining what you will bring to the Council (max.1 page).
4. A passport-sized photograph.
5. A letter in which the nominating WFSA Member Society describes why they consider this candidate qualified for this position.

### **II) ELIGIBILITY**

- Candidates for the Council must be proposed to be, or have been in the past, delegates or alternates of their Society to the General Assemblies.
- Candidates, if elected, must participate in the first face-to-face meeting of the Council to take place during the World Congress in Singapore in March 2024, at their own expense.
- Candidates must show commitment and willingness to be active in the aims of the WFSA.
- Candidates whose Member Society is not in good standing order (good standing means being up to date with the payment of annual subscriptions) will not be considered.

### **III) NOMINATIONS & ELECTION**

- The Council and Member Societies can make nominations for membership of the Council:
  - the Council shall submit a list(s) of nominees to member societies four (4) months before the General Assembly is to meet;
  - counter, or additional, nominations may be made by three societies, acting collectively (one of which must be the Member Society to which the candidate is affiliated) 1 month before the General Assembly meets.
- All Nominations must be completed by the **20 October 2023** and there will be no extension of this deadline.

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<sup>1</sup> Should the General Assembly approve the revised Articles of Association and By-laws which provides for two-year terms of office for Council and Board, the term to be served by newly elected Council members would accordingly be 2024-2026, renewable twice. Board members who served from 2020, are able to apply for a further term from 2024, this would not be renewable again.

- Eligible candidates will be notified by the end of October 2023 of their inclusion on the slate, but final approval will rest with the General Assembly.
- The General Assembly will elect the at-large members of the Council by secret ballot.
- At-large members of the Council shall be elected to one four-year (4) term, which is renewable for another four-year (4) term.<sup>2</sup>

*Note: The WFSA will at all times seek to maintain an equitable balance in members between all geographical regions in the world and in terms of gender.*

#### **IV) PROCESS:**

- The Council is elected by the General Assembly by a voting process on the day.
- The initial list of the Council candidates will be circulated to the Member Societies 4 months before the GA and placed on the WFSA website together with brief CVs.
- Counter or additional nominations may subsequently be made by three Member societies acting together and such names shall be submitted to the WFSA Office, no later than 1 month before the GA. These names and CVs will be placed on the website too.
- The final list of at-large Council candidates (new and those standing for re-election) will be submitted to ballot at the General Assembly.

#### **V) DUTIES:**

The proposed duties of the Council include:

- a. To receive and review reports and minutes of the Board and make recommendations accordingly.
- b. To advise the Board on matters pertaining to the Federation.
- c. To consider and discuss relevant matters raised by the Board, Committees, and Member Societies.
- d. To be active on behalf of the Federation, at least within their geographical region and often worldwide.
- e. To contribute at least once per year to the “newsletter” of the individual’s society with this should include the Federation’s activities, ideals, aims, shortcomings and successes. Fellow Council members and the Federation secretariat should receive a copy of these contributions.
- f. To review and approve applications for Membership of the Federation
- g. To receive the financial reports of the Federation and make recommendations accordingly.
- h. To approve the Board’s recommendations regarding Chairs and members of Permanent Committees;
- i. To respond to relevant matters referred to it by the Board, the General Assembly and Member Societies.

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<sup>2</sup> See note 1 above.