

Irish Global Health Network seeking new Board Members

Do you have a desire to make a valuable contribution to a vibrant not-for-profit organisation?

At the Irish Global Health Network (IGHN), we bring together professionals from every sector who are intersted in tackling some of the world's most pressing health problems – from COVID-19 to HIV, to water sanitation and climate change, we have a broad reach.

We are looking for dynamic, committed individuals to join our Board. In particular, we are encouraging those with finance experience, preferably with knowledge or experience of overseeing finances in a company and or the NGO sector; and those with experience in law to apply. Board Members contribute in a voluntary capacity.

If you are interested, please send an expression of interest and your CV to: info@globalhealth.ie by COB 8 February 2022

About IGHN

The Irish Global Health Network (IGHN) is an independent network of people from different backgrounds, sectors and disciplines who are concerned with health inequities and issues that impact on the health and development of populations at a global level, with a particular commitment to those living in middle and low- income countries.

Established in 2004, the IGHN has within its membership health and development professionals and others with an interest in and a commitment to influencing education, advocacy and policy working within the NGO sector, health sector and academia. Its membership is both local within Ireland and global. Membership is open to any individual who has an interest in global health, regardless of disciplinary background.

Responsibilities

As a Board Member, you would become a legal Director and your responsibilities would include:

Determine IGHN mission and scope
 Formulate broad policies and objectives for the organisation
 Provide the framework for the organisation's actions and operations

Leadership
 Provide continuity for the organisation
 Develop the long-term vision to lead the organisation in strategic directions



- Select an Executive Director to whom responsibility for the management of the organisation is delegated to
- Guide and support the Executive Director in his/her role

Accountability

- Safeguard IGHN core values and principles
- Determine and monitor the organisation's activities
- Oversight of the organisation's operations to ensure competent and prudent management, sound planning, monitoring and evaluation, an adequate system of internal control and risk management, adequate accounting and other records and compliance with statutory and regulatory obligations.
- Account to the public for the work of IGHN, including through fiscal accountability
- Evaluate the performance of the Executive Director and other staff
- Serve as an appeal body in situations of conflict
- Fulfil all legal requirements of IGHN as a registered organisation

Strategy

- Assign priorities within IGHN mission and objectives
- Ensure effective organisational planning and the acquisition of sufficient resources for the proper functioning of IGHN

Ownership

- Represent IGHN to all important stakeholders
- Govern the organisation
- Ensure the organisation's sustainability
- Approval of resolutions and corresponding documentation to be put forward to members at a general meeting

Impact

 Assess the organisation's impact, relevance and efficiency, by monitoring IGHN activities, as well as those of its members

Financial Control

- Approval of financial procedures in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities (SORP)
- Approval of the annual report and accounts
- Approval of the annual operating and capital expenditure budgets and any material changes to them
- Approval of any significant changes in accounting policies or practices



Appointments

- Selection of the Chairperson of the Board.
- Appointment of the Company Secretary, Treasurer and Vice-Chairperson of the Board
- Membership and Chairpersonship of Board subcommittees
- Approval of membership of Finance sub-Committee
- Appointment of the Executive Director
- Approval of staffing levels and posts
- Recommendation to members in relation to the Appointment of the external auditor

Fundraising

• Contribute to fundraising efforts

Board Meetings

There will be a 2 hour meeting four times a year, plus some Committee work outside of these meetings. Meetings are held online, with occasional in-person meetings as needed

Term of office

• Board members are elected for a 3 year term, and may be re-elected.