

Nomination of Candidates for the IFSW Executive Committee

To: Member Organizations of the International Federation of Social Workers
Cc IFSW Executive Committee
From: Henning Breinholt, Elections Officer

Copenhagen, April 15, 2008

The International Federation of Social Workers will hold its next General Meeting in Salvador de Bahia, Brazil, August 13 – 15, 2008, at which some Officers and Members-at-large of the Executive Committee for the period 2008-2012 will be elected.

Your organisation is hereby invited to prepare for nomination of candidates, in accordance with By-Law 11 of the IFSW Constitution. Please note that you can only nominate candidates from your own organisation. The nominations shall be accompanied by a short curricula vitae for your nominee (maximum two pages) if the person is nominated for the first time, and an equally short up-dated C.V. for candidates for re-election. In addition we need a written consent from the nominee and the attached formula "Profile of the Nominee" in return

Criteria for the Election of the Officers and Members-at-Large of the IFSW Executive Committee as suggested by the 1978 IFSW Nominating Committee

1. Commitment to the goals of IFSW as laid down in the Constitution
2. Demonstration of leadership in the candidates own professional organisation
3. Demonstration of leadership in their country or internationally in promoting social welfare
4. Possession of professional qualifications
5. Possession of language(s) facilities (preferably bilingual)
6. Identification with the region he or she represents, mainly by residence, work experiences, and knowledge of the main language(s) spoken in the region
7. Longer practical wisdom and objective interest in international affairs
8. Willingness to devote time to assume work responsibilities in the

Executive Committee

9. Ability, in so far as possible, to attend Executive Committee meetings
10. Participation, so far as possible, as delegate of the General Meeting or attendance at IFSW Conferences

The following offices shall be elected in Salvador de Bahia for the period 2008-2012:

Regional President for Africa

Regional President for Asia and Pacific

Regional President for Europe

Treasurer

Member-at-large for Latin America and the Caribbean

The other positions in the Executive Committee were elected until 2010 at the General Meeting in Munich 2006:

President

Regional President for Latin America and the Caribbean

Regional President for North America

Member-at-large for Africa

Member-at-large for Asia and Pacific

Member-at-large for Europe

Member-at-large for North America

Please send the nominations at your earliest convenience to my address indicated below, but, in any case, not later than Wednesday June 24, 2008 (in conformity with the IFSW Constitution 50 days before the date set for counting the ballots at the General Meeting).

The nomination document will follow in French and Spanish to the relevant organizations shortly.

Thanking for your co-operation and prompt action.

Yours sincerely,

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PROFILE OF NOMINEE

It is useful to have a profile of candidates, both for information of voting members and for information of the IFSW office. Please complete, as briefly as possible, the following.

IFSW Position to which you seek nomination

Candidate's Name and Country

Social Work Education

Professional Affiliations

Professional Experience

National Association Experience

Community/Volunteer Experience

Are you aware of the role and responsibilities attached to the position you wish to have within the IFSW Executive?

YES:

NO:

If the answer is YES, please respond to the following questions:

- a) **What are the three most important responsibilities towards IFSW:**

b) **What are the three most important responsibilities towards your Region:**

c) **What are the three most important responsibilities towards your national association?**

Signature and Date