**2017. Expression of Interest in Appointments of External and Internal Representatives of IFSW Europe e.V.**

**Deadline: 5th May 2017**

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Please indicate the position(s) you are interested and the capacity in which you would wish to serve:

Please X as appropriate

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| Position | Representative | Support Member |
| Council of Europe | ☐ | ☐ |
| Global Human Rights Commission | ☐ | ☐ |
| Permanent Committee on Ethics | ☐ | ☐ |
| European Social Platform | X | ☐ |
| European Anti-Poverty Network | ☐ | X |
| Fundamental Rights Platform | ☐ | ☐ |
| European Organisation of Rare Diseases | X | ☐ |

Please give a brief account of knowledge and experience you have relevant to the position(s) below:

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| I have substantial experience of working on the frontline and managing social services for people of all ages and client groups, including people with requirements arising from ill health, physical and learning disability, sensory impairment, HIV/AIDS and drug and alcohol dependency. A former Chief Executive of BASW, I am well aware of the issues that confront membership organisations and accustomed to representing our profession in the media and other high profile situations.  I have previously served on the IFSW Europe Executive Committee and coordinated our input to the European Social Platform for the past 6 years, establishing fruitful relationships with Platform staff and member organisations who share our concerns. This is a relatively demanding and time consuming role and whilst I am willing to continue to hold the position for a further period I would be equally pleased to support someone else who wishes to take it over.  I am an Executive Committee member of the European Anti-Poverty Network (EAPN) and as such am willing to continue to support the member designated to represent IFSW Europe in that organisation.  I have been closely involved in IFSW Europe’s developing partnership with EURORDIS, the organisation supporting people and their carers facing challenges arising from rare diseases, and as 3 of my close relatives have contracted such diseases over the past year have up to date experience of the difficulty of securing integrated health and social care.  As Cristina Martins does not intend seeking re-appointment as the Representative to EURORDIS I would be willing to resume responsibility for this but of course equally happy to support another member to take on this role. |

Current Employment Status: I am a registered social worker carrying out a range of professional activities voluntarily. I am not seeking paid employment.

Length of Time Position held: Not Applicable (N/A)

Do you have the support of your employer to attend meetings? N/A

Will you be allowed time off work to attend meetings? N/A

Do you have the support of your Membership Organisation? YES

How much of your own time are you able to devote to the position(s)? 2 days per week

Please indicate the level of your skills in both spoken and written English and in any other languages using the codes below:

Fluent (1); Very good (2); Good (3); Fairly good (4)

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Please indicate the level of your IT skills using the codes below:

Excellent (1); Very good (2); Good (3); Fairly good (4)

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| E-Mail | 1 |
| Word | 1 |
| Excel | 3 |
| Power point | 2 |

The completed form shall preferably be sent by e-mail by **5th May** **2017** to Lola Casal, IFSW Europe Honorary Secretary: [secretary.ifsweurope@gmail.com](mailto:secretary.ifsweurope@gmail.com) and certainly presented to her at the Delegates Meeting in Reykjavivk **no later than 13.00 on the 27th May 2017.**