December 2021

RDA Nominations Committee

The RDA Council has formed the structure and drafted the Nominations Committee membership and the Council characteristics documents (both general and for this specific election):

- General Council characteristics document

A member of Council is designated to liaise with the RDA Nominations Committee.

The Task of the Nominations Committee

The task is to propose a slate of 3 candidates for approval by the RDA plenary that reflects the overall work of the RDA Council and its current balance. This slate should be arrived at with a view towards reflecting the interests of the key stakeholders of RDA. In particular the slate should be chosen to ensure the confidence of both the funders of RDA and the participants in RDA, in the RDA Council.

The Characteristics of the Nominations Committee Members

Members of the committee should have an understanding of RDA and support its aims and objectives. They should be able to work together to build a slate that reflects the tasks and purposes of the RDA Council.

It is a requirement of being a member of the Nominations Committee that they do not nominate for election to the RDA Council for the period in question.

Process for the Nominations Committee

The overall process for the work of Nominations Committee is as follows:

Work done for the Nominations Committee:

1. Council determines who will be standing down from Council, and who will re-stand
2. RDA publishes the Call for Nominations

Work done by the Nominations Committee (proposed only – for determination by the Nominations Committee):
3. The Nominations Committee determines the Committee Chair
4. Potential Nominees submit their nominations
5. The Nominations Committee has an initial teleconference in February to consider the nominations and the current shape of the RDA Council
6. The Nominations Committee develops a proposed slate for consideration (probably via email)
7. The chair of the Nominations Committee liaises with key stakeholders over the proposed slate.
8. The Nominations Committee formally endorses a proposed slate (email/teleconference as determined)
9. The slate is announced on a date determined by the Secretariat, in accordance with the Council co-chairs and the Nominations Committee Chair.
10. Voting opens and all RDA registered community members are eligible to approve or reject the slate of candidates
11. Voting closes and the election outcome is announced by Secretariat
12. Elected candidates are informed of start date
13. Council members concluding their term step down.