JOIN THE WORLDGBC BOARD

Board of Directors Role Description 2021

The World Green Building Council (WorldGBC) is seeking influential global sustainability leaders to join its Board. Details of our current Board may be found here.

The Board guides the strategic direction and provides strategic leadership, enabling the WorldGBC network to continue to increase its influence and impact. It also oversees the governance of WorldGBC to ensure it is operating effectively as a not-for-profit organisation and delivering on its mission.

WorldGBC is committed to inclusivity, diversity, market leadership and transparency. This commitment guides the selection of future Directors.

In 2021, WorldGBC is seeking leaders proficient in one or more of these areas:

1. Influence in policy
   You have the ability to advance sustainability-linked policy though advocacy at a global level.

2. Fundraising
   You have a high level of fundraising knowledge and the ability to leverage your experience and network to promote fundraising opportunities for WorldGBC and its network of GBCs. You may be a strategic fundraiser with expertise and/or networks in grants, corporate sponsorship or philanthropy.

3. Experienced leadership
   You have experience as a CEO/Director/Chair or equivalent and are able to provide high-level strategic direction, advice and input.

In addition to these areas, you:

- Are a high-profile leader with global visibility
- Are aligned to WorldGBC’s values, are passionate about the cause of sustainability and advancing the objective of net zero carbon emissions and are keen to drive WorldGBC to achieve its strategic goals.
- Value diversity and will promote diversity within the Board
- Preferably have experience in the built environment, and a wide network of regional or international contacts that you are prepared to engage for the benefit of WorldGBC.
- Are able to leverage your connections to advance our mission and bring connectivity to constituencies outside our current circle of influence.
OUR MISSION

WorldGBC catalyses the uptake of sustainable buildings for everyone, everywhere.

Transforming the building and construction sector across three strategic areas — climate action, health & wellbeing, and resources & circularity — we are a global action network comprised of around 70 Green Building Councils around the globe.

As members of the UN Global Compact, we work with businesses, organisations and governments to drive the ambitions of the Paris Agreement and UN Global Goals for Sustainable Development. Through a systems change approach, our network of GBCs across the globe is leading the industry towards a net zero carbon, healthy, equitable and resilient built environment.
OUR STRATEGY

To lead the transformation of the built environment, our strategy includes the pursuit of North Star Goals for 2030 and 2050 across three impact areas which, led by our global and regional projects, and facilitated through the leadership and implementation capacity of our member GBCs, drive impact to achieve our mission.

HEALTH & WELLBEING

North Star Goal - A built environment that delivers healthy, equitable and resilient buildings, communities and cities.

2030 Goal - Substantial improvement in public health and wellbeing through the development of a sustainable built environment across all types of new and existing buildings, with a focus on quality housing for all. Improvements achieved through the reduction of air, soil and water pollution and implementation of health-based urban planning.

2050 Goal - Transformative, restorative improvements in public health and wellbeing through the development of a sustainable built environment across all types of new and existing buildings, with focus on quality housing for all. Elimination of air, soil and water pollution from the built environment. Sustainable urban planning advances healthy, equitable and resilient communities.

RESOURCES & CIRCULARITY

North Star Goal - A built environment that supports the regeneration of resources and natural systems, providing socio-economic benefit through a thriving circular economy.

2030 Goal - Sustainable and efficient use of natural resources within the built environment, achieving zero waste leakage and working towards a built environment with net zero whole life resource depletion.

2050 Goal – A built environment with net zero whole life resource depletion, driving restoration of resources and natural systems with circular value chains.

CLIMATE ACTION

North Star Goal - Total decarbonisation of the built environment

2030 Goal - All new buildings, infrastructure and renovations will have 40% less embodied carbon with significant upfront carbon reduction, and all new buildings are net zero operational carbon.

2050 Goal - New buildings, infrastructure and renovations will have net zero embodied carbon, and all buildings, including existing buildings must be net zero operational carbon.
You must be nominated by an Established Green Building Council in order to be eligible to join the Board.

WorldGBC will assist candidates to identify a nominating GBC.

For a full list of our Established Green Building Councils, please see our Member Directory and select ‘Established’.

Please complete the Board of Directors Nomination Form 2021 and submit by 31 March 2021.

1. Sections 1 and 2 should be completed by the Nominee including a copy of your CV and covering letter (further instructions on the form).

2. Section 3 should be completed by the Nominating GBC and include a reference letter from an influential individual or organisation.
NOMINATIONS REVIEWS
The WorldGBC Governance Committee reviews all nominations and those shortlisted will be interviewed. The Governance Committee will then present its recommendation to the Board for voting. All nominees will be notified of the outcome of their nomination by June 2021.

TERMS
When elected to serve on the Board of Directors a member will serve a two-year term from 1 July of the year of election. An elected Board member may serve no more than three consecutive terms unless otherwise authorised by resolution of the Board.

CODE OF ETHICS & CONDUCT
In accordance with the New York not for profit Corporation Law best practice, Board members have three fundamental areas of legal and fiduciary responsibility, often referred to as the duties of care, loyalty, and obedience which are outlined in full in the WorldGBC Code of Ethics and Conduct.

REMUNERATION
WorldGBC aspires to hold two face-to-face meetings per year, aligned with international sustainability events. Travel expenses for Board members may be reimbursed by the nominating GBC or Board members may cover their own travel costs. Additional Board and Board Committee meetings are held virtually. It should be noted that WorldGBC is a not-for-profit organization. Board membership is voluntary and is not remunerated.

BOARD COMMITTEES
In addition to Board meetings, which are held four times a year, WorldGBC has established four Board Committees, which are structured to facilitate the strategic contribution of Directors, as follows:

1. Business Development Committee: tasked with overseeing the revenue generating activities of the Council, providing strategic guidance regarding potential sources of funds, identifying potential project funding partnerships, enhancing the profile of the organisation and ensuring strategies are in place for the continued financial growth for WorldGBC.

2. Audit Committee: oversees the financial health of the organisation, including the monitoring and mitigation of risks, oversight of internal controls and monitoring of financial performance and reporting.

3. Governance Committee: oversees the Director nomination process and the efficiency and effectiveness of WorldGBC governance structures and processes.

4. Executive Committee: comprises the Chair of the Board and the Chairs of each Board Committee, being the Vice Chair (Chair of Business Development Committee), the Treasurer (Chair of Audit Committee) and the Secretary (Chair of the Governance Committee). The Executive Committee supports the CEO in ongoing decision making and the Chair of the Board between Board meetings.
GET IN TOUCH

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