# United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

# Organization for Women in Science for the Developing World (OWSD)

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# **OWSD Executive Board: Application**

PLEASE NOTE: the below is a sample form and provided for information only (and so that you can prepare your answers in advance if you prefer). DO NOT SUBMIT THIS FORM. When the call opens on 15th March, the online form will be available to compile directly online.

# Only online applications will be accepted.

All fields marked with an asterisk (\*) are compulsory fields

Competency in reading and writing English is a requirement for all OWSD executive board positions. For this reason, the application and all related information are only available in English and answers must be submitted in English.

If shortlisted, you will also be required to submit a short video in English.

# **Eligibility criteria statements**

To be considered for the OWSD Executive Board, candidates must meet all the <u>eligibility</u> <u>criteria</u>

I confirm that I am a woman/identify as a woman *
I confirm that I am a <b>full</b> OWSD Member *
OWSD Membership ID number: *
Helptext: You can find your OWSD member ID on the OWSD website under your reserved area
(the first line that comes up in your General Information).
I declare that I am living and working in a developing country (see list <a href="here">here</a> ). *  I confirm that I hold a PhD in <a href="here">STEM or social sciences</a> field *
The Executive Board role (or roles) I am running for: *  OWSD President
OWSD Vice President
OWSD Regional Member

Helptext: You can apply for one, two or all three positions. Please double check <u>here</u> the terms of reference for each role.

Please note that the President may be nominated from any developing country/region. Regional Members and Vice Presidents must be Members from the regions where they are standing for election.

### **Declarations**

I am aware and I accept that, for the purposes of election at regional level, the REGION will be automatically assigned to me on the basis of the nationality I select (and provide proof of) in the next step. In case of multiple nationalities or countries of residence, the one I select will be final and binding and I will not be able to change it at a second stage \*

I am aware that no two Members from the same country can serve on the OWSD Executive Board (in any position). For this reason, candidates of the same nationality of the newly elected President will be excluded from the shortlists of Vice Presidents and Regional Members. Candidates of the same nationality of the newly elected Vice Presidents will be excluded from the shortlist of Regional Members. \*

Helptext: In case you hold a double nationality, or are a long-term resident (at least 5 years) of another developing country, in the next step you will have to declare the primary nationality you wish to associate with your candidacy for the purposes of this election process. This choice will be binding and you will need to provide the related documentation as proof of your "chosen" nationality.

For example, if you are from China but have lived in Morocco for 12 years, you can choose to declare that you are running as a Moroccan resident. Note that if a President from Morocco is elected, then your candidacy will be automatically excluded from all other shortlists, even if your nationality (the Chinese one) differs from that of the President.

I confirm that I would be able to give a short online presentation in English to an international audience about my research, my vision for OWSD and the qualifications and skills I could bring to the OWSD Executive Board. \*

Personal data o	verview
Family name *	
Personal name(	(s) *

<u>Ma</u>	in research field *
0	Agricultural Sciences
0	Astronomy, Space and Earth Sciences
0	Biological Systems and Organisms
0	Chemical Sciences
0	Computing and Information Technology
0	Engineering Sciences
0	Mathematical Sciences
0	Medical and Health Sciences incl Neurosciences
0	Physics
0	Social and Economic Sciences
0	Structural, Cell and Molecular Biology
0	Other

Helptext: For clarifications of subjects included in these categories, see <u>here</u>

Research area of specialization \*

Maximum characters: 300 (including spaces).

N.B. Line breaks count as 1 character.

### Nationality \*

Developing country that you wish to associate with your candidacy for the purposes of this election. Please select the country either according to your nationality or to long-term residence (at least 5 years) \*

Helptext: In case you hold a double nationality, or are a long-term resident (at least 5 years) of a country that is different from the one of your nationality, please declare the primary nationality you wish to associate with your candidacy for the purposes of this election process. This choice is binding and cannot be changed at a second stage. You will need to provide below official documentation as proof of your "chosen" nationality.

Upload any official documentation proving either your nationality or your residency for at least 5 years in the above selected country (e.g. ID, passport, certificate of residency, rental agreement, utilities bills, employment contract, etc.) \*

Helptext: As proof of residence the following documents can be submitted as long as the name of the applicant appears clearly: statement from the local police office or municipality, population registry office, rental agreement, utilities bills, employment contract. This list is not exhaustive and alternative documents can be considered.

Date of birth *	
Country of birth *	
Email address *	
Name of your institution *	
<b>Current position at the above institution *</b>	
Country of institution *	
Postal address of institution *	

# **Applicant's biography**

Biographical sketch describing your journey to become an outstanding scientist. Include any challenges you have faced and overcome, and highlight what you consider to be the greatest achievements of your scientific career. Give evidence, whenever possible, of the excellent quality of your scientific research and the impact of your work locally, regionally and/or internationally. \*

Maximum characters: 2500 (including spaces).

N.B. Line breaks count as 1 character.

# PhD and awards

PhD degree	
Field/discipline *	Maximum characters: 120 (including spaces).
PhD thesis title *	Maximum characters: 120 (including spaces).
Year of graduation *	
Awarding institution *	Maximum characters: 120 (including spaces).
Country of the PhD awarding	institution *
Please upload your PhD certif	ficate or proof of PhD issued by the awarding institution. *
File extensions allowed: pdf,	jpg, jpeg, png.
Maximum file size: 10 MB.	

### **Membership & recognition**

Membership in academies and societies, if applicable (include dates)

Maximum characters: 600 (including spaces).

N.B. Line breaks count as 1 character.

Membership in other organizations (include dates and detail your position, if applicable) *Maximum characters:* 600 (including spaces).

N.B. Line breaks count as 1 character.

Membership in boards, advisory committees, governing bodies or any other *Maximum characters:* 600 (including spaces).

N.B. Line breaks count as 1 character.

Grants, awards and prizes received, if applicable (include dates) *Maximum characters:* 600 (including spaces).

N.B. Line breaks count as 1 character.

### 1) Knowledge of and commitment to the OWSD mission

Please provide specific examples that describe your knowledge of and commitment to the OWSD mission and programmes. \*

Maximum characters: 1500 (including spaces).

N.B. Line breaks count as 1 character.

Helptext: e.g. active participation in an OWSD national chapter; advocate for gender policies on relevant committees; publications (including blogs, etc.) concerning women, science and development, etc.

Describe how you have generated interest in OWSD and its work, and how you would aim to grow the Organization's reach regionally and internationally. Describe any activities you have been involved in thus far and how you plan to build on them in the future. \*

Maximum characters: 1500 (including spaces).

N.B. Line breaks count as 1 character.

### Helptext: e.g. recruitment campaigns

Describe how you have sought out strategic opportunities to represent women scientists (and/or advocate for them) at regional and international networking events. Describe any opportunities you have been involved in thus far and how you plan to expand them in the future. \*

Maximum characters: 1500 (including spaces).

N.B. Line breaks count as 1 character.

Helptext: e.g. during scientific or political events or with potential stakeholders, international agencies, etc.

Please prepare a Vision Statement for your potential term (2021-25) on the OWSD Executive Board. Provide specific examples that describe your knowledge and commitment to the OWSD mission and its programmes. Describe what you could bring to the OWSD Executive Board and what you would hope to learn from the experience \*

Maximum characters: 1500 (including spaces).

N.B. Line breaks count as 1 character.

### 2) Employment and scientific reputation

### **Employment**

List up to three of your most significant appointments. Start with the most recent. If still ongoing, please select today's date in the field "to". Professional appointments

Professional appointments	s #1 (repeating fields)	
From *		
To *		
Employing institution and spaces).	l country *	Maximum characters: 120 (including
Position *	Maximum characters: 12	20 (including spaces).
Upload your CV *		
File extensions allowed: p	odf, doc, docx, jpg, jpeg,	png.
Maximum file size: 10 MH	З.	

### **Publications**

Helptext: Enter the publication in the following format: Author's last name, first initial. (Publication year). Title of publication. Additional information. City of publication: Publishing company.

Publication you consider to be the most important achievement of your research/career to date \* *Maximum characters:* 600 (including spaces).

N.B. Line breaks count as 1 character.

Describe why it is important

Maximum characters: 600 (including spaces).

N.B. Line breaks count as 1 character.

Publication you consider is the 2nd most important achievement of your research/career to date \* *Maximum characters:* 600 (including spaces).

N.B. Line breaks count as 1 character.

Describe why it is important

Maximum characters: 600 (including spaces).

N.B. Line breaks count as 1 character.

Publication you consider is the 3rd most important achievement of your research/career to date \* *Maximum characters: 600 (including spaces).* 

N.B. Line breaks count as 1 character.

Describe why it is important

Maximum characters: 600 (including spaces). N.B. Line breaks count as 1 character.
H-Index *
Helptext: The H-Index measures both the productivity and impact of the published work of a scientist or a scholar and is based on their most cited papers and the number of citations they have received in other publications.
Source of H-Index *
Helptext: There are several online resources that can be used to directly calculate the H-Index. The most established are ISI Web of Knowledge, Scopus, Google Scholar, Publish or Perish. Note, different databases may provide slightly different H-Index values.
Upload a full list of your publications (if not included in the CV)  File extensions allowed: pdf, doc, docx, jpg, jpeg, png.  Maximum file size: 10 MB.  Scientific Activity
Describe your current research and/or scientific activities *
Collaborations List up to three of your most significant collaborations, including in an academic setting or with industry.
Collaboration
Collaboration #1 (repeating fields)
Name of individual or organization * Maximum characters: 120 (including spaces).
Nationality or location * Maximum characters: 120 (including spaces).
Period of collaboration * Maximum characters: 120 (including spaces).
Why was this collaboration important to your career and what was achieved? * Maximum characters: 1500 (including spaces).

# Scientific/academic events

N.B. Line breaks count as 1 character.

List up to three significant scientific/academic activities that you have organized or where you have participated as a speaker or chair (workshops, conferences or other academic events). Please note that you should not list here scientific/academic events you have simply attended.

### Scientific/academic event

Scientific/academic event #1	(repeating fields)	
Title of the event *	Maximum characters: 120 (ir	ncluding spaces).
Date * Maxim	num characters: 120 (including spa	ces).
Location (city, country) *	Maximum characters:	120 (including spaces).
Reason why this event is rele Maximum characters: 1500 N.B. Line breaks count as 1	(including spaces).	
Type of involvement (organic (including spaces).	zer, speaker, chair, etc.) *	Maximum characters: 120
Brief description of your inv	olvement (and impact, if relevant) *	k
Maximum characters: 1500	(including spaces).	
N.B. Line breaks count as 1	character.	

### **Patents**

Are there any patents under your name? If so, please list them with details *Maximum characters: 1500 (including spaces).*N.B. Line breaks count as 1 character.

# 3) <u>Leadership Experience</u>

Describe your experiences as a supervisor or mentor, detailing the numbers of students supervised/mentored, their level and the specific impact of your mentorship activity. Include any evidence of developing and/or providing resources for students and young researchers. \*

Maximum characters: 1500 (including spaces).

N.B. Line breaks count as 1 character.

Helptext: e.g., 'all five of my masters' students went on to complete their PhDs' or 'I was able to provide online mentoring to a PhD student who could not find a mentor at his/her own institute'.

Describe your experiences at managerial level. \* Maximum characters: 1500 (including spaces). N.B. Line breaks count as 1 character.

Helptext: e.g., I am the principle investigator leading a research team of 3 MSc students; I have been Head of Department, etc

### 4) Outreach and civic contribution

Describe any experiences you have had participating in civic society and engaging with local communities and populations. \*

Maximum characters: 1500 (including spaces).

N.B. Line breaks count as 1 character.

Helptext: e.g. providing expert advice, contributing to policy processes, volunteering, giving public talks for non-scientific audiences, doing outreach to schools, writing articles for newspapers or other public media, organizing expositions or fairs.

### 5) Interpersonal skills and connections

Describe your ability to connect and network with a wide range of individuals, from school children to PhD students, to Ministers. \*

Maximum characters: 1500 (including spaces).

N.B. Line breaks count as 1 character.

Helptext: e.g. provide examples of relevant activities and collaborations at individual and institutional level

Describe any experience(s) where you demonstrated good diplomatic or negotiating skills. \* *Maximum characters: 1500 (including spaces).* 

N.B. Line breaks count as 1 character.

Helptext: e.g. examples of agreements you reached with colleagues, conflicts that you were able to resolve, benefits or fee waivers that you were able to negotiate

Describe any fundraising experience, how you conducted it, whether it was successful, what the outcomes of your efforts were. \*

Maximum characters: 1500 (including spaces).

N.B. Line breaks count as 1 character.

### 6) Communication skills

Please self-assess your knowledge of the English language and your ability to deliver presentations in English \*

Maximum characters: 1500 (including spaces).

N.B. Line breaks count as 1 character.

Helptext: e.g. please describe events where you have presented scientific research to an international audience (and any relevant feedback or follow up received) or list relevant prizse or awards, e.g. for a poster or an oral presentation in English

### **Reference letters**

Please submit at least two reference letters prepared by OWSD Full Members.

Optional: you can add up to 3 more reference letters from non-members or members.

Please note referees should not be relatives but should be respected people in your field of research or profession who are aware of your professional and/or academic capacities.

Ideally, reference letters should be prepared on official letterhead and must be signed.

Provide the referees' details and reference letters below. OWSD Full Member Referee

OWSD Full Member Referee #1 (repeating fields)
Referee's position * Enter the current position at the institution he/she works.
Referee's family name * Enter referee's family name (i.e. surname/last name) as i appears in their publications.  Referee's personal name(s) *
Referee's OWSD Membership ID Number * They can find it on the <u>OWSD</u> website, under their reserved area (the first line that comes up in the General Information session)  Referee's email address * Name and postal address of institution of the referee *
Please state in what capacity the referee is acquainted with you. *  Maximum characters: 255 (including spaces).
Upload the reference letter signed by the above mentioned referee * File extensions allowed: pdf, jpg, jpeg, png.  Maximum file size: 10 MB.

# **Final declarations**

I agree to the processing of personal data as described in the privacy policy \*

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