

NOMINATION PROCEDURE

Nominees will complete a *pro forma*, to ensure a standardized content thus allowing for fair comparisons. The *pro forma* is designed to provide an assessment of the nominee's capacity to lead, their level of commitment to WAS and evidence of their past and current contributions to various WAS activities. Nominations may be excluded under the requirements of **Statute 35**.

Nominees should have served at least one term on the AC and be able to demonstrate a familiarity with the Statutes & By-Laws.

The *pro forma* will include:

Nominee's personal and professional data (brief).

Supporting letters from three WAS members, **at least two of whom should be from countries outside of the nominee's own domicile.**

History of involvement with WAS; provision of evidence of active involvement e.g. chairing a committee; preparing documents, position papers, policy statements etc.

Statement of personal vision for the further development of WAS and its purpose.

Review and Election process

The Working Group, comprising Rosemary Coates, Beverly Whipple and Tommi Paalanen, are responsible for receiving nominations. All eligible nominees will be presented to the newly elected AC. Eligible nominees shall be invited to make a presentation to the General Assembly. There will be no vote at the GA; however, the newly elected AC may take into consideration any views expressed at this meeting. Immediately after the GA the newly elected AC will meet to vote for the new President, as specified in **Statute 23**.

NOTE: A nominee for the position must stand for election to the 2017-2021 Advisory Committee and be successful. If there is more than one successful candidate the AC election will be a secret ballot and their decision will be binding. If a candidate is not successful in being elected to the AC, there is no right to appeal and their nomination for the Presidential position becomes null and void. (Ref. Statute 23)

Prepared by Rosemary Coates on behalf of the Governance Committee & the Working Group.