

Do you want to play a pivotal role in creating “a global community of young professionals creating a better world for current and future generations through local and global action”?

The International Young Professionals Foundation (IYPF) is a not-for-profit public company with a membership spanning 100 different countries. It is focused on enabling young professionals to make a positive difference in the world and currently has an emphasis on engaging young professionals in achieving the Millennium Development Goals. IYPF utilises and promotes the resources, skills and knowledge that young professionals can bring to this arena in order to create a better world for current and future generations.

The role of IYPF Director is filled by nomination from within, and election by its membership at IYPF Annual General Meetings. Each Director’s term of service is until the completion of the second AGM after their election (approx. 2 years).

Director Position Description

This volunteer role is demanding and the successful candidate will proactively contribute to the direction of IYPF and be involved in the operation of IYPF. Candidates must have good written expression and a passion for making a difference in the world. Organisational governance experience is an advantage.

The primary responsibility of an IYPF Director is to meet regularly with the other Directors to review and monitor the operation of the Foundation, with a particular view to:

- Maintaining accountability and transparency to IYPF members on the operation of the IYPF
- Ensuring IYPF member satisfaction with the direction and operation of the IYPF as their elected representatives.
- Providing strategic direction and support to the IYPF CEO, staff and volunteers in their work
- IYPF meeting its obligations as a company registered in Australia and operating in an international environment (including filing company returns, ensuring IYPF is an ongoing concern, that it adheres to Australian and international law);

On a secondary level, Directors will use their networks, experience, and enthusiasm to help build IYPF and provide input on its direction. It is expected that Directors take oversight or provide a significant contribution to one of IYPF’s operational areas.

Directors are required to participate in regular on-line meetings (at least two hours every month). Additionally, Directors will need to spend approximately five hours per week on IYPF, including reading and responding to e-mails, meetings with staff and other working groups, and other duties as arise. It is a significant commitment that is highly rewarding – candidates should evaluate their other commitments accordingly. Good and reliable e-mail and phone access is essential.

The appointment of Director of the IYPF is for a two-year term.