

**NOTE BY THE TECHNICAL SECRETARIAT****CALL FOR NOMINATIONS TO THE
ADVISORY BOARD ON EDUCATION AND OUTREACH**

1. The Executive Council (hereinafter “the Council”) at its Eightieth Session adopted a decision (EC-80/DEC.5, dated 8 October 2015) on the establishment of an Advisory Board on Education and Outreach (ABEO) and transmitted it to the Conference of the States Parties (hereinafter “the Conference”) for approval at its Twentieth Session, to be held from 30 November to 4 December 2015). Annexed to the Council decision were the draft terms of reference of the ABEO, which state in paragraph 4 that “[t]he Advisory Board will consist of 15 individuals appointed by the Director-General in consultation with States Parties, of which 10 will be appointed from nominees put forward by the States Parties. The members of the Board shall serve in their individual capacity as independent experts.”
2. Pending the consideration of this issue by the Conference at its Twentieth Session, the Technical Secretariat (hereinafter “the Secretariat”) wishes to take all practical steps to ensure that the ABEO is able to commence its work as soon as possible in 2016. The Secretariat therefore invites States Parties to nominate one or more experts, to be appointed by the Director-General, after the approval by the Conference of the decision and after a selection process, to serve on the ABEO. The draft terms of reference of the ABEO stipulate in paragraph 8 that “[t]he term of office of members of the Board will be three years. A member may serve for two terms, which may be consecutive”.
3. With reference to paragraph 5 of the draft terms of reference, nominees to be proposed should be eminent persons with expertise in subjects of direct relevance to the Board’s purpose, including education (both STEM¹ and other relevant disciplines), science communication, the chemical industry, dual/multiple-use issues related to chemistry and the life sciences, ethics and the Chemical Weapons Convention (hereinafter “the Convention”), and related international measures. Nominees should be proposed on the basis of their qualifications and experience, with States Parties taking into account their publications, scientific, academic or professional activities, distinctions, and international experience.
4. When selecting candidates for nomination, States Parties should also take into consideration the need for the ABEO to have a broad range of expertise related to all

¹ Science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.



aspects of education and outreach, including from experts with no prior experience of the Convention or the OPCW. States Parties should also bear in mind that, in accordance with paragraph 3 of the draft terms of reference of the Board, nominees should be prepared to represent the Board, at the request of the Director-General, in support of the Organisation's education and outreach activities with all relevant stakeholders.

5. Nominees should be ready to make substantive contributions at ABEO meetings, during the intersessional periods, and at other relevant events. Each nominee is requested to submit a written statement describing how he/she intends to have a substantial impact on the work of the ABEO and the education and outreach efforts of the OPCW.
6. In making appointments to the ABEO, the Director-General will pay due regard to ensuring expertise and a balanced approach to gender and geographical distribution.
7. The Secretariat requests States Parties to submit nominations, using the nomination form annexed to this Note, **by 31 December 2015**. The form should be accompanied by the curriculum vitae of the nominee and by the written statement (up to 500 words) mentioned in paragraph 5 above.

Annex (English only): Nomination Form

Annex

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NOMINATION FORM

Please submit the completed form, together with the nominee's curriculum vitae and a statement by the nominee of how he/she intends to have a substantive impact on the work of the ABEO and the OPCW, by **31 December 2015** to:

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Please type or use BLOCK LETTERS.

1.	Title	
2.	Family name ²	
3.	First name(s) ²	
4.	Date of birth	Day Month Year
5.	Citizenship	
6.	Gender	Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female <input type="checkbox"/>
7.	Relevant areas of expertise ³ and how these would support education and outreach	
8.	Work/roles similar to those of an Advisory Board member that the nominee has successfully undertaken previously ⁴	
9.	Employer	
10.	Position	
11.	Contact address	
12.	E-mail address	
13.	Telephone numbers, including country and city codes	Work: Mobile: Fax:

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² Please give the first and family names exactly as they appear in the nominee's passport.

³ See paragraphs 3 and 4 of the Note to which this nomination form is attached.

⁴ See paragraph 5 of the Note to which this nomination form is attached. The nominee should be prepared to provide contact details of referees from such work.