



**CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR
INDEPENDENT MEMBERS
CPWF GOVERNING BOARD**

In accordance with a recently completed external review of the CGIAR Challenge Programme on Water and Food (CPWF), the Consortium Steering Committee has decided to establish a new Governing Board that will oversee the work of the program. The new Board will consist of nine members, of whom five will be independent and recruited through the present international call. The Board Chair will be selected from amongst the five independent members. The other four members will be: one representative of the Alliance of fifteen CGIAR centres; one representative of IWMI, as the lead Center that carries legal responsibility for the CPWF; one representative of the non-CGIAR members of the Consortium; the CPWF Program Director (ex officio member).

*You are invited to submit nominations for independent members of the Board on the attached form. Nominations will be received up to **1800 GMT on Monday 31 March 2008**. Please submit the form to CPWF-BoardRecruit@cgiar.org The Selection Committee will provide further details and application forms to all nominees .*

The Board is responsible for programmatic and budgetary decisions and the related accountability. Summary Terms of Reference for the Board and the Chair are attached. All members are required to have expertise in one or more of: science for development, finance, and corporate governance. One member will have professional expertise in audit and finance and will be the Chair of the CPWF Audit Committee. It is highly desirable that at least one other Board member also has experience in finance. At least one member will be selected primarily for his/her experience in corporate governance of international development organisations, including those connected to research. At least four members should have expertise, complementary to each other, in science for development. Specific disciplines are listed on the attached nomination form. While the primary criterion for appointment to the Board will be professional expertise, every effort will be made to achieve balance in terms of national origin and gender, together with institutional experience, and experience in developing countries of Africa, Asia and Latin America.

None of the independent members should have been an employee nor a recipient of compensation from any consortium member for a period of at least two years before the appointment.

Thank you for your support in this important process.

Patrick Dugan
Chair Board Selection Committee
CPWF Consortium Steering Committee



**NOMINATION FORM FOR
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Person submitting this nomination:

Name:.....

Institution: CPWF CSC Member / CPWF CPMT Member / CGIAR Science Council / CGIAR Executive Council / CGIAR members / GFAR

Contact details: email phone.....

Organisation / Address
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Please ensure that each person being nominated meets the qualifications set out in the Call for Nominations. A separate nomination form should be used for each nomination. Please submit this form to CPWF-BoardRecruit@cgiar.org by 1800 GMT on Monday 31 March 2008, with a short 200 word resume.

NOMINEE:

Name	
Position	
Organisation	
Address	
Telephone	
Fax	
Mobile	
Email	
Criterion:	
Male / Female	
Developing Country Experience	Asia / Latin America / Africa
National origin	
Institutional experience	Government / NGO / University / Research Institute / Extension Agency / Private Sector

**Challenge Program on Water and Food
Governing Board
Terms of Reference**

Terms of Reference for the Board

- Determining the strategic direction of the CPWF, setting overall goals, and approving program strategies.
- Approving policy recommendations for monitoring, evaluation, impact assessment procedures, including establishment of performance criteria.
- Appoint and receive reports of independent auditors, annual operating plans, medium term plans, and program budgets.
- Receive and approve annual workplans and budgets for CPWF operations.
- Ensure the integrity of the CPWF accounting and reporting systems.
- Establish a policy for managing risks and monitoring its implementation.
- Monitor and manage potential conflicts of interest.
- Approve policy recommendations for competitive calls and commissioned research.

Terms of Reference for the Chair

- Convene and preside at meetings of the Board, in person and virtually as required.
- Ensure appropriate communication takes place between the CSC and the Board.
- Ensure smooth and effective functioning of the Board.
- Lead the appointment process for the CPWF Program Director, and be responsible for the performance management of the Director under IWMI personnel guidelines.
- Communication and liaison on high level strategic and policy issues with the CGIAR and external partners.
- Be alert to fund raising opportunities and promote the CPWF within the development community.