Call for candidates 2019
ECF board vacancies

European Cyclists’ Federation

What is this call about?
ECF is looking for new board members (called “vice presidents”) and a treasurer for the board for the period 2019-2022. There are currently 4 vacancies.

How is the board composed?
The board is composed of a president, a treasurer and up to six board members (“vice presidents”), working closely together, assuring that the interests of the members are pursued all year long.

What are the vacancies?
There are currently 4 vacancies: 3 new vice presidents and a treasurer are to be (re)elected at the Annual General Meeting in Brussels in May 2019.

What are the profiles we are looking for?
In the ideal board, you’ll find a right mix of competences, a good geographical balance and gender balance. For that reason, this year we are especially looking for candidates from

- eastern Europe (Poland, Czech Republic, Slovakia, Hungary, Slovenia, Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia, Montenegro, Rep. of Northern Macedonia, Albania, Bulgaria, Moldova, Ukraine, Belarus, Russian Federation)
- northern Europe (Lithuania, Estonia, Latvia, Denmark, Sweden, Norway, Iceland, Finland)
- southern Europe (Portugal, Spain, Greece, Turkey, Cyprus, Malta) and ideally for 3 female board members.

What are the competences we are looking for?
If you can recognize yourself in the description hereunder, please apply to become one of the future ECF Vice Presidents. We’re looking for board members with the following experience:

- You have proven experience with lobbying, advocacy, politics
- You have proven experience with finance (necessary for the function of treasurer)
You have experience with communication strategy

What are we expecting from board members?
Being a board member of ECF is more than having a representative role. Together with the President and your fellow members, you steer ECF and help management taking the right decisions in terms of strategy, HR and finances. The board meets at least twice a year physically and on a regular basis via teleconferences.

What can the board offer to you?
You’ll be part of a growing team of cycling advocates, steering the most efficient cyclists’ advocacy group in Europe. Being a board member allows for exchanges, encounters and effective impact on the organisation.

What is the role of the Nomination committee?
To help the General Meeting of ECF in voting for the right candidates, a Nomination Committee consisting of Mrs. Jette Gotsche (President Danish Cyclists’ Federation), Mr. Alessandro Tursi (current ECF board member and Vice president FIAB Italia) and Mr. Mikaël Van Eeckhoudt (CEO Fietsersbond Belgium), was put in place. The Nomination Committee uses the guidelines adopted by ECF to describe the profiles of the requested candidates. It aims to provide a recommendation to the AGM about all candidates for the board.

Do you need support to be a candidate?
ECF is a member organisation. It is important that its board is backed up by its members. That’s the reason why we ask all candidates to have the support of a member organisation of ECF (see the list here).

The perfect match?
You feel like this call is for you? Read hereunder how easy it is to submit your candidature.

1. Fill out the attached form “ECF board elections – Vice Presidents 2019”. You can download it here: https://ecf.com/sites/ecf.com/files/civicrm/persist/contribute/files/ECF%20Application%20Form%202019_final.docx
2. Send it by 20 March 2019 to a member of the Nomination Committee (aletursi@inwind.it, jette.gotsche@gmail.com or mikael.vaneeckhoudt@fietsersbond.be)
3. Candidates will be informed about the recommendation made by the Nomination Committee to the AGM, before the list of candidates will be sent to the members.
4. A list of recommended candidates will be sent to the members with all information about the AGM.
5. The election of the Vice Presidents and treasurer will take place at the Annual General Meeting, to take place on 17-18 May 2019 in Brussels.

Feel free to share this call if you know someone who meets the criteria.

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