

ONTARIO COUNCIL FOR INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION

The Ontario Council for International Cooperation (OCIC) is an expanding community of Ontario-based international cooperation and global citizenship-focused members, associates and volunteers committed to working for global social justice, human dignity and participation for all.



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THE OPPORTUNITY

OCIC invites nominations from qualified candidates to fill up to 2 positions on our Board of Directors, for an initial one-year term. This is an excellent opportunity to contribute your skills, knowledge, lived experience and perspectives on international cooperation and solidarity, and to help support and strengthen the transformative impact of the Council. Working alongside others with shared values and commitment, you will also expand your abilities while contributing to strategic leadership and sharing of good practices in non-profit organizational governance, effectiveness and impact.

About OCIC

As a Council we work strategically to:

- **Strengthen Capacity**, supporting our members in being leaders of good development, adapting to change, and developing innovative solutions to global poverty challenges;
- **Increase Multi-sectoral Dialogue**, bringing together sectoral leaders and practitioners, issue-specific experts, advocates, academics, funders and private sector actors to better understand and leverage perspectives, expertise and resources; and
- **Influence and Inspire**, providing communications platforms to amplify the voice of our members, and to influence and inspire key decision makers and the public.

In our current programs OCIC facilitates and engages our members and other Ontario-based stakeholders to develop capacity to deliver innovative, inclusive programming that advances gender equality in support of Canada's Feminist International Assistance Policy (FIAP) action areas and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). We also work in close collaboration with the Inter-Council Network of Provincial and Regional Councils for International Cooperation (ICN), Cooperation Canada, and many other networks to support relevant national programs, projects and initiatives with and for the sector.

Our Board of Directors

OCIC's Board of Directors is composed of volunteer professionals that understand and demonstrate commitment to our vision, mission, mandate, values, and strategic directions, and contribute to the overall governance of the Council, including oversight of strategy and fiscal accountability. Elected by our member organizations, OCIC Board Directors bring unique assets, influence and energy to the table.



Responsibilities of Board Directors

All candidates must be members of OCIC and must be nominated and seconded by two OCIC member organizations in good standing. Candidates representing our organizational membership must be staff, Board members or appointed representatives of the organization.

The mandate of OCIC Board Directors includes:

- To provide efficient and effective governance of the operations and programs of OCIC;
- To articulate policies and set strategic directions to guide the staff to the fulfillment of the mission of OCIC;
- To monitor the operations and programs of OCIC in order to ensure adherence to policies and strategic directions;
- To ensure the strong financial health of OCIC, including resourcing and financial management;
- To maintain a close relationship with OCIC management to ensure the effective and efficient utilization of the resources of OCIC; and
- To enhance the public image of the OCIC and its mission in collaboration with the management and staff of OCIC.

Additional responsibilities include:

- Becoming fully conversant with the duties, responsibilities and mandate of the the Board and individual directors;
- Becoming fully conversant with the vision, mission, mandate, operations, programs, challenges and opportunities facing OCIC and its primary partners, such as the Inter-Council Network of Provincial and Regional Councils for International Cooperation (ICN);
- Facilitating collaborative decision making by the Board;
- Being well informed and prepared to address the issues to be discussed at Board meetings;
- Contributing personal experience, expertise and interest to the work of the Board in support of the work of OCIC; and
- Performing other duties as directed by the Board

All OCIC staff and many OCIC Board Directors are currently working remotely from home. Candidates to the OCIC Board of Directors must reside in Ontario, have access to a computer and high-speed internet connection, and must be able to work virtually with us.



ABOUT YOU

You can make a valuable contribution to the OCIC Board of Directors if you are a representative of a member organization or you are an associate of the Council that seeks:

- to volunteer your time and energy, and to apply your skills, knowledge, lived-experience and perspectives on international cooperation and solidarity;
- bring expertise and interest in supporting our efforts in one or more of the following areas:
 - anti-racist and anti-oppressive practise
 - charity law and legal/compliance issues of relevance to nonprofit organisations
 - finance and financial management
 - fundraising and fund diversification
 - global citizenship education and public engagement
 - government and academic relations
 - human resource management
 - intersectional, feminist understanding, analysis and approaches
 - membership-based associations
 - monitoring, evaluation, accountability and learning
 - networking and member acquisition
 - partnership building and brokering

APPLY



To be considered as a candidate for the OCIC Board of Directors please complete our application form by no later than **August 6, 2024.**