

Election for the role of President of IPPN (2027-2029)

Information Sheet

1. Introduction

In accordance with IPPN's Constitution, ratified by the National Council on 29th November 2024, a President will be elected at an EGM on Saturday, 14th June 2025, who will assume the role of President on 1st September 2027. During the period from 1st September 2025 to 31st August 2027, they will assume the role of President-elect. The current Deputy President, Deirdre Kelly, will assume the role of President on 1st September 2025.

To be eligible to be nominated for the role of President, nominees

- must be current full-members, in accordance with the Constitution of IPPN, and have the skills and experience to enable them to be effective in the position for which they are being nominated.
- must be a current or former member of the Board of Directors.
- who are current members of the Board must be in their third or subsequent year as a Director on the closing date for receipt of nominations.
- who are former members of the Board must have served a minimum of three years as a Director and must have been a Director within five years of the closing date for receipt of nominations.

if you believe you know an eligible member of IPPN who would be suitable for the role, please nominate them by completing the attached electronic Nomination Form and returning it **by email only** to nominations@ippn.ie by **5pm on Friday, 23rd May 2025**. No postal applications, faxes, scanned documents or emails to current staff or board members will be accepted. No late applications will be accepted. Confirmation of receipt of all valid nominations will be issued by return email.

Please note - A Member can make one nomination only and the nominee must have agreed to their nomination.

2. Role of the President-elect

The President-elect shall be a member of the Board of Directors for a term of two years and will assume the role of President when the President's term of office is completed. It is expected that IPPN's President-elect will –

- ❖ attend all IPPN's Board and Council Meetings (typically 6 Board and 3 Council meetings each year)
- ❖ uphold IPPN's Code of Ethics/Conduct
- ❖ chair meetings of the Board of Directors when the Chairperson is not in attendance or when requested to do so
- ❖ chair meetings of the National Council when the President is not in attendance or when requested to do so
- ❖ assume the role of President in the event of resignation, incapacity or death of the President during the President's term of office and shall initially hold such office for the remainder of the President's term of office after which they may serve the term of two years as would have occurred if the vacancy had not arisen.

3. Role of the President

The role of the President shall be facilitated in accordance with such provisions of the constitution of IPPN that are in effect on the date on which the President assumes the role. The President shall be accountable to the CEO. At the moment, secondments are offered on a year-by-year basis. In the event that a secondment is not available, then alternative arrangements will need to be made, and those circumstances may require constitutional change.

The role of the President may include but not be limited to:

- ❖ Reporting to meetings of the Board of Directors
- ❖ Chairing meetings of the National Council
- ❖ Representing IPPN at events
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- ❖ Supporting the Leadership Support Group project
- ❖ Developing the member engagement plan
- ❖ Implementing the member engagement plan
- ❖ Supporting membership renewal and development work
- ❖ Supporting the work of all projects relating to member engagement
- ❖ Representing the voice of members in media engagement
- ❖ Supporting the work of the Leadership Support Team on areas such as professional guidance and professional learning for leadership
- ❖ Participating in the planning for conferences

4. Nominations and Arrangements for Election

- ❖ All nomination forms must be submitted by email to nominations@ippn.ie by 5pm on Friday, 23rd May, 2025.
- ❖ The personal statements of all eligible nominees will be circulated to IPPN's National Council members during the week of 26th May, 2025.
- ❖ The election of the President will take place at an EGM on Saturday, 14th June, 2025.
- ❖ If only one nomination is received, the eligible nominee will be deemed to be elected at the EGM.
- ❖ If nomination forms are received for more than one eligible nominee, a ballot will be conducted in accordance with IPPN's electoral procedures.

5. Electoral Process

- ❖ Each of the nominees will be asked to make an un-interrupted presentation at the EGM, in support of their candidacy, of no more than five minutes duration.
- ❖ If there are two nominees, the nominee with the highest number of votes at the election shall be declared elected.
- ❖ If there are three or more nominees, rounds of voting will be held until such time as one of the candidates receives 50% plus one of the votes cast in any round. Where no nominee reaches the above threshold in any round of voting, the nominee with the lowest number of votes will be eliminated and another round of voting will be held among the remaining nominees. This process will continue until the 50% plus one threshold is achieved by a nominee.
- ❖ At any elimination point if there are two or more nominees with an equal number of votes their names will be drawn and the person whose name is drawn will be eliminated.
- ❖ A nominee may withdraw their name at any point, by informing the Chairperson of the Board of Directors, at any time after the close of nominations.
- ❖ Nominees may engage with potential voters by post, email, telephone or other means while being conscious of GDPR and the right to privacy.
- ❖ Nominees should not engage in any activity to incentivise any elector to vote for them either through providing items of material value no matter how small, or through making promises in relation to future

positions/actions where they do not have the authority to individually deliver on those, without the approval of whatever Board or Committee to which they are seeking election.