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CONSEIL D'ADMINISTRATION DU FSC CANADA FORMULAIRE DE MISE EN CANDIDATURE

Le Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) Canada a mis sur pied un comité de mises en candidature chargé de pourvoir aux postes d'administrateurs du FSC Canada. Les administrateurs élus entraient en fonctions à la première réunion du conseil d'administration tenue après les élections de novembre 2018.

À l'échéance des mandats des administrateurs en poste, il y aura quatre postes à pourvoir, soit un représentant par chambre (autochtone, économique, environnementale et sociale). Conformément aux règlements du FSC, les administrateurs sont nommés à un mandat de deux ans et la moitié du conseil d'administration (quatre postes sur huit) est renouvelée chaque année.

Si vous souhaitez proposer un candidat au conseil d'administration du FSC Canada, veuillez soumettre ce formulaire dûment rempli d'ici le 1^{er} août 2018

VOS RENSEIGNEMENTS (PERSONNE PROPOSANT UN CANDIDAT)

- Prénom et nom de famille
- Courriel
- Téléphone
- Organisation (en cas d'une organisation membre du FSC)

RENSEIGNEMENTS SUR LA PERSONNE PROPOSÉE (CANDIDAT)

- Prénom et nom de famille
- Organisation
- Courriel
- Téléphone



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PROFIL DU CANDIDAT

Veuillez soumettre un paragraphe (de 300 à 400 mots) décrivant les qualités de la personne qui sont pertinentes au profil d'un administrateur (par exemple, les raisons pour lesquelles cette personne représente un candidat de valeur pour siéger au conseil d'administration, ses compétences, etc.) :

CONFLITS D'INTÉRÊTS POTENTIELS DU CANDIDAT

Veuillez décrire de possibles conflits d'intérêts que pourrait avoir le candidat. À cette fin, prière de consulter la politique sur les conflits d'intérêts pour plus d'information sur ce qu'on entend par un conflit d'intérêts potentiel.



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FORMULAIRE DE CONSENTEMENT ET DE DÉCLARATION

Par la présente, je déclare que tous les renseignements fournis dans le cadre de cette mise en candidature sont exacts et véridiques et j'accepte que ma candidature soit proposée au conseil d'administration.

J'ai lu la trousse de mise en candidature et je comprends les engagements attendus des personnes élues pour siéger au conseil d'administration. Je m'engage à me conformer aux règlements, aux politiques et au processus électoral du FSC Canada.

Je comprends qu'une partie de cette mise en candidature sera rendue publique dans le cadre du processus des élections au conseil d'administration.

Signature de la personne mise en candidature Date

CONFIRMATION

Par la présente, je déclare que tous les renseignements fournis dans le cadre de cette mise en candidature sont exacts et véridiques. Je consens à appuyer la mise en candidature au conseil d'administration.

Signature de la personne proposant la candidature Date

POUR SOUMETTRE VOTRE MISE EN CANDIDATURE

• PAR COURRIEL

Numérisez ce formulaire ou cliquez sur le bouton « Courriel » ci-dessous pour le retourner à Monika Patel (<u>m.patel@ca.fsc.org</u>) d'ici le 1^{er} août 2018



CONFLICT OF INTEREST			
Governance Manual			
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This Policy Applies to: Board members and staff			

1.0 Policy Statement:

Directors and employees of FSC Canada will avoid conflicts of interest and the appearance of conflicts of interest in their work with this organization.

2.0 Interpretation/Background/Reasoning

Actual or perceived conflicts of interest can include, but are not limited to, benefitting personally from a decision, an interest in an outcome that is beyond or not aligned with the organization's interest, or gaining benefit from access to confidential information.

The procedures outlined below have been designed to provide directors and employees with guidance on identifying and avoiding conflicts of interest or the appearance of conflicts of interest in their work with FSC Canada. They also provide guidance for resolving violations of this policy.

Directors and employees are expected to avoid situations which might be construed as a conflict of interest since it is not feasible to describe all of the circumstances and conditions that might be or have the potential of being considered conflicts of interest.

3.0 Procedures

3.1 Disclosure of conflicts of interest and potential conflicts of interest:

3.1.1 On an annual basis, all directors and employees shall complete and sign a conflict of interest disclosure form (Annex 1). All material outsidebusiness interests (as determined by FSC Canada from time to time), including any and all positions held and interests in both public and privately held companies are to be identified on the disclosure form. Disclosure forms shall be collected and submitted to the Human Resources & Governance Committee.



- **3.1.2** Any significant changes in employment, employer, or volunteer role shall be reflected on the disclosure form as soon as is reasonably possible.
- **3.1.3** "Declaration of Conflicts of Interest" is to be included as an agenda at the beginning of each meeting of the Board of Directors and its committees.

3.2 Receiving gifts or favours:

- **3.2.1** Directors and employees may receive or accept gifts, fees, favours, meals or entertainment from any of FSC Canada's suppliers, contractors, consultants, financial or lending institutions within a reasonable limit.
- **3.2.2** If the value of the gift exceeds \$200, it will be officially reported to Chair of the Board.

3.3 Financial interests:

- **3.3.1** Directors and employees are prohibited from acquiring or having a direct or indirect financial interest in a supplier, contractor, consultant, or other entity with which FSC Canada does business.
- **3.3.2** The exception is directors and employees owning less than a five percent (5%) interest in, or securities valued at less than five percent (5%) of, a corporation whose stock is publicly traded.
- **3.3.3** Any other interest in or relationship with an outside organization or individual having business dealings with FSC Canada is prohibited if this interest or relationship might tend to impair the ability of the directors or employees to serve the best interests of FSC Canada.
- **3.3.4** If a member of the immediate family of a director or employee has a financial interest as specified above, such interest should be identified on the conflict of interest disclosure form. The term "immediate family" is inclusive of domestic or civil union partner, spouse, child, stepchild, foster child, sibling, stepsibling, parents, stepparents, grandparents, grandchildren, aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, mother-in-law, father-in-law, sister-in-law, brother-in-law, daughter-in-law, son-in-law, or any other person residing in the household of a director or employee.

3.4 Directors as employees:

3.4.1 Directors are prohibited from being an hourly, salaried, or contractual employee of FSC Canada. Directors are prohibited from functioning as an FSC Canada employee regardless of reimbursement.

3.5 Confidential information:



- **3.5.1** Confidential business information must be respected at all times. Directors and employees are prohibited from knowingly disclosing confidential business information to those who do not have the need to know or to anyone whose interests may be adverse to FSC Canada either inside or outside the organization.
- **3.5.2** Directors and employees must not use confidential business information for personal gain or advancement or to the detriment of FSC Canada.
- **3.5.3** Directors and employees may not conduct negotiations, make contacts or inquiries, or permit the appearance of doing so, unless official designated to do so, on behalf of FSC Canada.

3.6 Conflicting Interests

- **3.6.1** Directors and employees are prohibited from conducting business that conflicts with FSC Canada's vision and mission.
- **3.6.2** Directors and employees are prohibited from participating as a Board Member, Member or similar affiliation with a competing forest certification system.

3.7 Resolving incidents of conflict of interest at the Board of Directors level:

- **3.7.1** In all instances below, if it is the Chair who has violated or potentially violated the conflict of interest policy, leadership of the resolution process shall fall to the co-Chair, if there is one, or Vice Chair. If both the Chair/co-Chairs and the Vice Chair have violated or potentially violated the policy, responsibility shall fall to the longest serving member of the Board of Directors.
- **3.7.2** If a director becomes aware of an actual or possible conflict of interest, the director must disclose its existence to the Board of Directors, and recuse him or herself for any portion of the discussion and deliberation which may be affected by the actual or possible conflict of interest.
- **3.7.3** If a director determines he/she may have violated the policy, the director has a duty to report that violation to the Board of Directors as soon as is reasonably possible.
- **3.7.4** If the Board of Directors has reasonable cause to believe that a director has failed to disclose a real or potential conflict of interest, the Chair and/or HRG shall inform the individual of the basis for such a belief and offer an opportunity to explain the alleged failure to disclose to the Board of Directors.



- **3.7.5** The HRG will investigate and gather information pertaining to the conflict or perceived conflict and determine its seriousness and risk to FSC.
- **3.7.6** If it is determined that there has been no violation of the conflict of interest policy, then the director will be advised of the Board of Directors' conclusion and the matter will be approved to be closed at the next regularly called board meeting.
- **3.7.7** If, after the director's explanation, it is determined that further investigation is warranted, then the further investigation of potential violations of this policy will be the responsibility of the Human Resources & Governance (HRG) Committee.
- **3.7.8** HRG will provide the director with 30 days from when the committee receives the investigation assignment to respond to the allegation in writing.
- **3.7.9** HRG shall, within 60 days of the investigation assignment, submit a written report on its findings to the Board of Directors.
- **3.7.10** If HRG found no violation of the conflict of interest policy, the Board will consider the matter closed.
- **3.7.11** If HRG found that a violation of the conflict of interest policy has taken place, the Board of Directors will discuss the report and determine the appropriate next steps, which may include:
 - No further action if impact on the organization was found to be minimal or insignificant
 - A directive to cease the association or actions causing the conflict of interest
 - A letter of reprimand entered into Board minutes
 - The director being barred from discussions and voting on relevant topics
 - Removal from the Board of Directors, as per FSC Canada's bylaws
- **3.7.12** If the situation arises where two or more members of HRG members are subject to investigation regarding a violation or potential violation of the conflict of interest policy, the investigation shall remain the responsibility of the Board of Directors and undertaken following the same investigation timelines and protocols as identified in 3.6.7 through 3.6.10 above.
- **3.7.13** If sufficient numbers of members of the Board of Directors are in violation or potential violation of the policy, the Chair and/or HRG shall seek legal advice on how to proceed.



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- **3.7.14** If any violation of this conflict of interest policy appears to the Board of Directors to be in violation of the Criminal Code of Canada, the Chair, Secretary and/or Treasurer shall refer the matter immediately to the appropriate law enforcement agency, in addition to internal disciplinary or corrective actions.
- **3.7.15** All actions of HRG or the Board of Directors on matters relating to conflict of interest investigations, including the written findings, shall be considered confidential and conducted *in-camera*.