



Call for Nominations

IGA Board of Directors (2026–2029 Term)

The International Geothermal Association (IGA) invites nominations for election to its Board of Directors for the upcoming term 2026–2029.

At a pivotal moment for global energy systems, geothermal is emerging as a critical solution for delivering reliable, local, and sustainable energy. As the global platform for geothermal, the IGA is entering a new phase—strengthening its role as a convenor, advocate, and catalyst for scaling geothermal worldwide, including through the World Geothermal Congress 2026 in Calgary and continuing towards the World Geothermal Congress 2029 in Nairobi.

We are seeking a Board that reflects the **global, diverse, and multidisciplinary nature of the geothermal community**, and that is committed to advancing geothermal as a key pillar of the energy transition.

Institutional Transition

The IGA is currently undergoing a governance transition to establish a new legal entity in the Netherlands, with an updated governance structure and membership model designed to support the next phase of global growth and impact.

The new Board will serve this Netherlands-based IGA entity under its updated bylaws. **The approved Bylaws and Membership Model of the new IGA in the Netherlands are available as part of the nomination package on the IGA website.**

This transition is subject to approval by the IGA membership through an Extraordinary General Meeting (EGM), expected to take place in early May 2026. At this meeting, members of the current New Zealand-based IGA entity will be asked to vote on a special resolution to wind down the existing entity.

Nominations and elections for the new Board are therefore **conditional upon the approval of this transition at the EGM (May 2nd, 2026).**



Role of the Board

The IGA Board provides strategic guidance and oversight to the Association. Board members are expected to:

- Contribute to the strategic direction and global positioning of IGA
- Represent and advocate for geothermal energy at regional and international levels
- Support the development of partnerships across industry, government, finance, and academia
- Participate actively in Board meetings and key IGA initiatives
- Uphold strong standards of governance, transparency, and collaboration

Candidate Profile

We welcome nominations from individuals with a strong commitment to geothermal energy and the broader energy transition.

Candidates may come from across the geothermal ecosystem, including:

- Industry (developers, operators, service companies)
- Government and policy institutions
- Finance and investment
- Research and academia
- International organizations

Relevant experience may include:

- Leadership or governance roles
- Technical expertise in geothermal or related energy systems
- Policy, regulatory, or market development experience
- Strategic, financial, or innovation leadership



Board Composition Approach

The Board has identified a set of priority profiles to guide the composition of the next Board and has requested the Nomination Committee to take these into account when identifying candidates. These profiles include, but are not limited to:

- Global network and international engagement
- Partnerships and major initiatives (including WGC)
- Industry leadership
- Science and research
- Policy and government
- Emerging market representation
- Finance, investment, and innovation

The Nomination Committee will consider candidates in the context of the overall Board composition, ensuring a balanced and complementary group across these areas, as well as across geography, sector, and gender.

Eligibility to Nominate

Nominations may be submitted by **IGA Corporate Members or Affiliated Members**, with **one nomination permitted per member entity**.

Self-nominations are welcome, provided they are endorsed by an eligible member entity.

Diversity and Inclusion

The International Geothermal Association is committed to building a Board that reflects the diversity of the global geothermal community. We strongly encourage nominations from women and individuals from underrepresented groups, as well as candidates with diverse professional and geographic backgrounds.

We recognize that many highly qualified candidates may hesitate to apply unless they meet every listed criterion. If you believe you can contribute meaningfully to the IGA Board, we encourage you to put your name forward.

Election Process

- The Call for Nominations is open from **2 April to 1 May**
- All nominations will be reviewed by the IGA Nomination Committee
- A slate of candidates will be presented to the IGA membership
- Elections will take place in **May 2026**, following the EGM scheduled for May 2, 2026.
- The new Board will be announced and take office in **June 2026**, in connection with the World Geothermal Congress 2026 in Calgary

Nomination Requirements

Nominations should include:

- A short biography (max. 300 words)
- A statement of motivation (max. 300 words)
- A CV or summary of relevant experience
- A photo
- For self-nominations please enclose a short letter or email confirming support

Commitment

Board members are expected to dedicate time to:

- Regular Board meetings (typically 2 per year)
- Committee participation where relevant
- Engagement in key IGA activities and initiatives

How to Submit

Please submit nominations to:

iga@worldgeothermal.org



For questions or further information, please contact:

**Solrun Kristjansdottir – Chair of the Nominations Committee via
iga@worldgeothermal.org**

Shaping the Next Chapter

The coming years will define geothermal's role in the global energy system. The IGA Board will play a central role in ensuring that this potential is translated into real projects, real investments, and real impact.

By joining the IGA Board, you will help shape the direction of the global geothermal community and contribute to building the foundations of the geothermal decade ahead.

We look forward to receiving your nomination.