

Call for Applications
IDEA Central Board members

Position title:	Board member (2 positions)
Type of appointment:	3 years
Start date:	January 2015
Closing date for applications:	N/A

The International Debate Education Association (IDEA) is a global network of organisations who aim to empower young people worldwide today to be the active citizens of tomorrow. More specifically, IDEA gives young people a voice through education, debate and by raising their awareness about worldwide issues.

The IDEA Central Foundation (IDEA Central) was created as a central office in November 2011 in Brussels to provide support to the IDEA Network composed of offices in Kyrgyzstan, Macedonia, Netherlands, Tunisia, the United Kingdom and the United States.

Context

In organizations of all kinds, good governance starts with the Board of Directors. The Board's role and legal obligation is to oversee the administration (management) of the organization and ensure that the organization fulfils its mission. Good Board members monitor, guide, and enable good management; they do not do it themselves. The Board generally has decision-making powers regarding matters of policy, direction, strategy, and governance of the organization.

The IDEA Central Board misses talent in governance, organisational structure and management, communications and fundraising.

Core functions/responsibilities

The Board role is to oversee the administration of the organization and ensure that the organization fulfils its mission. The Board shall have the power to take decisions regarding matters of policy, direction, strategy and governance of the Organization.

The Board appoint and supervise the Executive Director and approve financial activities beyond a set threshold. The Governing Board shall establish the Duties of the Executive Director.

The Board also ensures that the Foundation does not break the rules in its governing documents. The Board shall have all the powers to manage and represent the Foundation. The Board needs to ensure that IDEA Central maintains its mission, ethics and solvency.

Required Competencies

- Experience as a Board member of an international NGO (or equivalent) is essential; experience as a Board member in Belgium a plus.
- Experience in one of the following fields is essential: good governance, organizational structure and management, communications and fundraising.
- Master of English language is a must as it is the working language; knowledge of French would be an advantage

Compensation

The successful candidate will not be paid or receive any compensation for his/her services. However, s/he may be reimbursed for expenses incurred in connection with the performance of the functions.

How to apply

Interested candidates should submit their application (CV and a cover letter of 1 page) to Sandra Moreau, IDEA Central Executive Director at: smoreau@idebate.be

For more information

Interested candidates can find more information about the statutes of the IDEA Central Foundation on the following link: http://idebate.org/sites/live/files/IDEA_Central_0.pdf