

Steering Board: Call for Candidatures

The Swiss Water Partnership is looking for new candidates to complete its Steering Board (SB). Are you interested in contributing through your ideas and strategic advice to the development of the Swiss Water Partnership? Interested candidates need to submit

- a paragraph on their curriculum and
- a paragraph about their motivation to be part of the Steering Board.

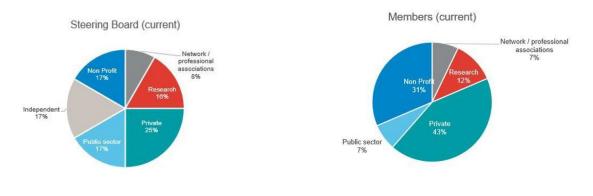
Deadline: Please **express your interest until 30th April 2018** by sending a message to the Secretariat (soraya.kohler@swisswaterpartnership.ch).

The <u>SWP Steering Board</u> meets twice a year to review the Secretariat's work and give strategic advice. Steering Board retreats (once a year) have also been organized in order to deepen specific topics of strategic importance. The General Assembly (taking place on 29th May 2018) elects the members of the Steering Board for a mandate of 3 years.

The call for candidatures is open to all interested SWP members.

Recommendation: According to the SWP Statutes the composition of the SB should be representative of the different stakeholder groups represented in the member base. The current distribution of the SWP member organisations among the different sectors and the composition of the Steering Board are illustrated hereafter (graphs below).

Current Composition of the Steering Board and Member Base



Compared to last year: Increase of Independents from 8% to 17% Decrease of Private Sector from 33% to 27%

Due to the underrepresentation of the private sector in the steering board compared to the member organization distribution the SWP is especially **encouraging the private sector to run for election**.

Situation: Out of the 12 Steering Board Members, 8 are facing the end of mandate this year (see table below).

Two Steering Board Members out of the 8 have decided to end their mandate officially this year at the General Assembly:

- Jean-Benoit Charrin, Farmstrong Foundation (independent)
- Ulrich Steiner, Holinger AG (private)

If you are **interested in running for one of the 2 vacant Steering Board seats**, or if you have any question about it, please contact the SWP Secretariat (<u>soraya.kohler@swisswaterpartnership.ch</u>) before **April 30, 2018.**

The following six Steering Board Members out of the 8 members whose term will finish this year have already expressed their interest for candidacy and would like to run for re-election:

Olga Darazs, CSD Engineers (Private) | Co-Chair of the Swiss Water Partnership



- Johannes Heeb, Cewas (Private)
- Eric Plan, CleantechAlps (Network/Professional Association)
- Chris Zurbrügg, Eawag (Research)
- Nidal Salim, GIWEH (Non Profit)
- Edi Medilanski, SECO (Public)



Steering Board – Current Composition and Re-Election

SB Member	Member organisation	Elected	End of Mandate	Sector
Johannes Heeb	Cewas	2015	2018	Private
Eric Plan	CleantechAlps	2015	2018	Network / professional associations
Olga Darazs, Co-Chair	CSD Engineers	2015	2018	Private
Chris Zurbrügg	Eawag	2015	2018	Research
Darcy Molnar	ETHZ, Institute of Environmental Engineering	2016	2019	Research
Nidal Salim	Global Institute for Water, Environment and Health	2015	2018	Non Profit
Ulrich Steiner	Holinger AG	2015	2018	Private
Edi Medilanski	State Secretariat of Economic Affairs (SECO)	2015	2018	Public sector
Johan Gély	Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation (SDC)	2017	2020	Public sector
Rose Osinde Alabaster	Independent Expert, WASH & Environmental Governance, co-Chair Group on Earth Observation Global Water Sustainability (GEOGLOWS)	2017	2020	Independent
Jean-Benoît Charrin		2015	2018	Independent / Non Profit
Thomas Zeller, Co-Chair		2016	2019	Independent / Public