

**RESEARCH AUSTRALIA LIMITED**

**ABN 28 095 324 379**

**ACN 095 324 379**

**NOMINATION OF DIRECTORS 2017**

Research Australia Limited will be holding its seventeenth Annual General Meeting (AGM) on Wednesday 29 November 2017 at 9.30am at the Garvan Institute of Medical Research, Level 7 Boardroom, 384 Victoria Street, Darlinghurst NSW 2010.

**Retirement of Directors at the AGM**

The Research Australia constitution states that the Board of Directors will comprise no less than six and no more than eighteen Directors, and that at least one Director must be a Foundation Member (unless none make themselves available to stand).

- There are four directors whose three-year term is expiring in November, being:
  - Dr Alison Butt
  - Professor Brendan Crabb AC
  - Mr Andrew Giles
  - Assoc Professor Greg Kaplan

Any Director retiring at an AGM who is not disqualified by law from being re-appointed is eligible for re-nomination and re-election and may act as a Director throughout the meeting at which that Director retires.

Terms for the following directors are current

- Dr Andrew Nash
- Ms Annette Schmiede
- Mr Chris Chapman
- Professor Ian Jacobs
- Professor Nick Fisk
- Mr Peter Wills AC
- Prof Mary Foley AM
- Professor Alexandra McManus

Ms Nadia Levin, as Managing Director is not subject to the three-year term rules, and will continue as Managing Director until she ceases employment at Research Australia.

**Eligibility to be nominated as a Director**

Any individual can be nominated to serve as a Director of Research Australia, member or non-member. A corporation cannot be nominated as a Director.

**Eligibility to nominate a Director**

All voting members and retiring Directors of Research Australia are able to nominate a Director. Voting member means Foundation and Ordinary Members whose annual subscription is paid in full.

### **Responsibilities of the Directors of Research Australia**

In addition to the responsibilities of Directors under the Constitution of Research Australia, the Board Charter of Research Australia and at law, Directors are responsible for strategic engagement in the following key areas;

- Actively advancing and supporting the [Research Australia Strategy](#)
- Connecting the organisation to sector influencers to ensure representation
- Growth and revenue through multiple channels including membership and sponsorship

There are four face to face board meetings per year and several short teleconferences.

### **Valid Nomination**

Incomplete Nomination Forms will not be accepted. All Nomination Forms must be signed by the nominee, a nominator (voting member or retiring Director) and a seconder (voting member or retiring Director). A [current membership list](#) is available on our website. If contact needs to be made with one of our members, please contact us for details of the appropriate contact person. Nominations must be accompanied by a brief biographical profile (350 words max).

### **Process**

Completed and signed nomination forms including biographies must be received by **close of business on Monday 20 November, by email** to [admin@researchaustralia.org](mailto:admin@researchaustralia.org)

All nominations will be screened and reviewed by the Research Australia Nominations Committee, to see if nominations are consistent with applicable qualifications or criteria, and to approve potential candidates for election or re-election.

The Committee will be considering the composition of the Board, reflecting a balance of independence, sound judgment, business specialization, technical skills, diversity, fundraising and development ability, geographic representation, and other desired qualities.

A Committee member is likely to request a meeting with the applicant before being approved as an election candidate.

### **Current Areas Where Additional Representation Is Needed**

The Nominations Committee will consider each application on its merits. Applicants with the following characteristics will have an advantage:

- Organisational Growth and Fund-Raising expertise
- Biotech
- Corporate / Private sector / Venture Capital
- Queensland, South Australia, Western Australia, Victoria

### **For Further Information**

For questions regarding nomination of Directors please contact Nadia Levin on 02 9295 8546 or email [ceo@researchaustralia.org](mailto:ceo@researchaustralia.org)

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NOMINATION TO ACT AS A DIRECTOR 2017**

**NOMINEE**

I consent to my nomination as a Director of Research Australia Limited (Company) and if elected as a Director, I consent to act as a Director of the Company. I declare:

- (a) I am not disqualified by the constitution of the Company or the Corporations Law from acting as a Director of the Company; and
- (b) If I act as a representative of a voting member, I am authorised by that voting member to present myself for nomination as a Director of the Company.

The following particulars are supplied in accordance with the Corporations Law:

Name .....

Former names .....

Date of Birth ..... Place of Birth .....

Residential Address .....

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Telephone ..... Email .....

Profession .....

Representative of voting member ☐ Member organisation .....

Biographic profile provided by email ☐

Signed .....

**NOMINATOR (voting member representative or retiring Director)**

Nominated by .....

Member organisation .....

Position held .....

Telephone ..... Email .....

Signed .....

**SECONDER NOMINATOR (voting member representative or retiring Director)**

Seconded by .....

Member organisation .....

Position held .....

Telephone ..... Email .....

Signed .....

**Please return all nomination forms by close of business Monday 20 November 2017 to:**

Fiona Beardmore, EA to CEO, Research Australia: 384 Victoria Street, Darlinghurst NSW 2010  
Phone: 02 9295 8546 Email: [admin@researchaustralia.org](mailto:admin@researchaustralia.org)