

ILGA OCEANIA BOARD

Being an ILGA Oceania Board member is an exciting opportunity for the LGBTI organization you represent to have an even greater input into ILGA. ILGA is the oldest and longest running non-governmental organisation (NGO), with United Nation (UN) ECOSOC (Economic and Security Council) status, for LGBTI people around in the world. In addition, supporting ILGA also ensures that other LGBTI organizations in the Oceania region have a similar voice on LGBTI rights on the world stage.

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ILGA OCEANIA BOARD ADVERTISEMENT BOOKLET

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1 Introduction

ILGA World (“ILGA”)

ILGA (International Lesbian, Gay Bisexual, Trans and Intersex Association) was first formed in Europe 1978 and will soon to be celebrating its 40th anniversary. ILGA is a household name, known for being a grassroots organisation thriving on its membership of over 1,200 LGBTI (lesbian, gay, bisexual, trans and intersex) organisations from over 132 countries around the world, in every continent bar Antarctica. Approximately 55 of these ILGA members are in the Oceania region, i.e. Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific Islands, including many well-known LGBTI organisation names.

ILGA Oceania

ILGA is made up of 6 regions, each one representing one of the 6 major regions of the globe: -

- 1) North America - ILGA NA
- 2) Latin America and the Caribbean - ILGA LAC
- 3) Europe – ILGA Europe
- 4) Africa – Pan Africa ILGA (PAI)
- 5) Asia – ILGA Asia
- 6) Oceania – ILGA Oceania

Each region has a governing board, comprised of representatives of ILGA members organisation of that region. This booklet is designed to provide information to those hoping to become a member of the governing body of the ILGA Oceania region, i.e. the ILGA Oceania board.

2 BOARD COMPOSITION

Oceania Region is the geographic region encompassed by the sovereign countries of Australia, New Zealand and the Pacific Islands, based on the South Pacific Forum. The ILGA Oceania board positions are distributed for LGBTI organisations in the following regions:-

Four (4) Positions - Pacific Islanders

Every one of the Pacific Islands: -

Countries

- | | | |
|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| 1) Fiji | 5) Nauru | 9) Solomon Islands |
| 2) Kiribati | 6) Palau | 10) Tonga |
| 3) Marshall Islands | 7) Papua New Guinea | 11) Tuvalu |
| 4) Micronesia | 8) Samoa | 12) Vanuatu |

Autonomous Territories

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|---|
| 1) Cook Islands (New Zealand) | 6) Niue (New Zealand) |
| 2) American Samoa (United States) | 7) Northern Mariana Islands (United States) |
| 3) French Polynesia (France) | 8) Pitcairn Islands (United Kingdom) |
| 4) Guam (United States) | 9) Tokelau (New Zealand) |
| 5) New Caledonia (France) | |

Two (2) Positions - New Zealanders

New Zealanders.

Four (4) Positions - Australians

All Australian state and territories, including any Australian autonomous territories.

3 POSITIONS

Once elected to the ILGA Oceania board there are a number of ILGA Oceania board positions you could consider running for. These positions carry with them several duties and responsibilities, as dictated by the ILGA Oceania constitution.

Co-Convenors

Senior
Executive

Treasurer

Secretary

Subcommittee Chairs

Subcommittee
Officers

Portfolios Officers

Ordinary Board Members

4 Duties & Relationships

Co-convenors

Board Meeting Duties – ILGA Board chairperson and attendance

Reporting – ILGA Oceania regional report to the ILGA World board.

Spokespeople – External representation of the interests of the ILGA Oceania board.

Delegate – ILGA Oceania representative on the ILGA World Board.

Secretary

Board Meeting Duties – Minutes, attendance and initial emergency chairperson.

Reporting – Contribute to the co-convenor’s ILGA world board report.

Delegate – ILGA Oceania emergency replacement representative (alternate) on the ILGA World Board.

Notices – Official notices to the ILGA Oceania members

Treasurer

Board Meeting Duties – Attendance and first emergency chair person

Reporting – Contribute to the co-convenor’s ILGA World Board report.

Delegate – ILGA Oceania emergency replacement representative (alternate) on the ILGA World Board.

Subcommittee Chairs

Board Meeting Duties – Report on subcommittee and attendance.

Reporting – Report to the ILGA Oceania board on subcommittee developments.

Subcommittee Meeting Duties – Chair their own subcommittee meetings.

Portfolio Officers

Meeting Duties – Report of Portfolio Area and attendance.

Reporting – Report to the ILGA Oceania board on developments in their portfolio area.

Spokespeople – Externally represent ILGA Oceania in their own portfolio area.

Portfolio Subcommittee Meeting Duties – Chair their own portfolio subcommittee meetings.

Ordinary Board Members

Meeting Duties – Attendance & back-up emergency chair person.

Reporting – Report to the ILGA Oceania board on developments in their own portfolio area.



5 AVAILABILITY

Regardless of which position you hold on the ILGA Oceania board, one of the main commitments to being an ILGA Oceania board member is participating in the variety of meetings and conferences that ILGA Oceania organises:-

MEETING

ILGA Oceania Board Meetings

ILGA Oceania board meetings occur monthly and are held regularly over Skype. However, the ILGA Oceania board endeavours to have at least two face-to-face meetings per year.

ILGA Oceania Subcommittee Meetings

ILGA Oceania board member commit to at least one subcommittee meeting per month, in addition to their attendance at the regular monthly board meeting. These meeting are general held electronically via Skype or Zoom.

CONFERENCES

ILGA World Conference

This is the highest governing body of ILGA, in which delegates, along with representatives of general ILGA member organisations, attend this event.

ILGA Oceania Regional Conference

During this event ILGA Oceania holds its Annual General Meeting, which biannually elects delegates to the ILGA Oceania board. In the board meeting held after the AGM the various officer position of the ILGA Oceania board are elected, i.e. conveners, treasurer and secretary etc.



5 PORTFOLIOS

PURPOSE

ILGA has set up a number of portfolios to give guidance in the directions ILGA should take in various policy areas, thereby ensuring that ILGA remains sensitive and aware of the various issues of each portfolio.

- 1) Women
- 2) Bisexual
- 3) Trans
- 4) Intersex

JOB DESCRIPTIONS

The job description for each one of the ILGA Oceania portfolio officers is available on request to the secretary. This contains the responsibilities for each person who takes on one of the regional portfolio positions.

STRUCTURE

Each of the regional portfolio officers is nominated by their corresponding regional portfolio subcommittee. That regional portfolio officer represents that subcommittee on the ILGA World committee for that portfolio.

The ILGA World committee of each portfolio is made up of the 6 regional bisexual portfolio officers from around the world, corresponding to the 6 regions of ILGA, i.e. ILGA North America, ILGA LAC (Latin America), ILGA Europe, ILGA Pan Africa, ILGA Asia and ILGA Oceania. The ILGA World bisexual committee is in turn chaired by the ILGA World bisexual secretariat, elected at the ILGA World conference.

ILGA WORLD BOARD

2 Secretaries General

6 Regional Representatives

5 Portfolios, i.e. Women, Bisexual, Trans, Intersex and Youth

World Board

Portfolio A
World Board
Representative

Portfolio B
World Board
Representative

Portfolio C
World Board
Representative

Portfolio D
World Board
Representative

Portfolio E
World Board
Representative

World Portfolio
Subcommittee Committee

World Portfolio
Committee Chair

ELECTION

ILGA
North America
Regional
Representative

ILGA
Latin America
Regional
Representative

ILGA
Oceania
Regional
Representative

ILGA
Africa
Regional
Representative

ILGA
Europe
Regional
Representative

ILGA
Asia
Regional
Representative

Regional Portfolio
Subcommittee Committee

Regional Portfolio
Subcommittee Chair

ELECTION

Community Members
Identifying in that Portfolio

ILGA Member Representatives
Involved in Work in that Portfolio

7 REQUIREMENTS

ILGA Oceania's legal [*Associations Incorporation Act 2009 (NSW)*] and constitutional requirements require that any ILGA board member, and thereby applicant, needs to ensure they are not disqualified from submitting an application by any one of the following issues: -

● **ILGA Member Representative**

You must be a representative of an ILGA member organisation. If that ceases to be the case, then you must vacate your position on the ILGA Oceania board until you are a representative of that same ILGA member organisation, or another ILGA member organisation in the ILGA Oceania region.

● **Solvency**

You cannot have become insolvent within the meaning of the Australia legislation entitled *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth). This includes bankruptcy!

● **Mentally Sound**

You cannot be classed as a mentally incapacitated person according to Australian law.

● **Dishonesty**

You cannot have been convicted of an offence involving fraud or dishonesty, where the possible maximum penalty is 3-months imprisonment or more.

● **Director Capacity**

You cannot have been disqualified from managing a corporation as a company director under the Australian legislation entitled *Corporations Act 2001* (Cth), part 2D.6. This includes bankruptcy!



