AER POSITIONS OPEN FOR ELECTIONS IN 2021

Monica Gundahl, Chair of the Election Committee (Värmland, SE) would like to inform you of the following:

A number of positions will be open for election in 2021 at the General Assembly. This document sets out the positions open for election.

This document contains three table lists in order to give a clear view of which positions are open to elections. The table lists contains the following stacks:

A. **Position:** The position open for election (note that only positions open for elections are listed)
B. **Incumbent:** The person currently holding the position, alternatively ”vacant” when no-one is currently holding this position.
C. **Eligible for re-election:** Informs about the status of the incumbent holder of a position. Following alternatives are used:
   - **No:** The incumbent holder can not run for re-election according to the statutes
   - **Not running:** The incumbent holder does not wish to run for re-election
   - **Yes:** The incumbent holder wishes to run for re-election
   - **Blank:** There is no incumbent holder

You are welcome to apply to any of the positions listed below. Please refer to the last page for information on how to apply and the expectations on the different positions.

POSITIONS OPEN FOR ELECTIONS AT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OCTOBER 2021

<u>EXECUTIVE BOARD (members who are elected by the General Assembly)</u>

As per the statute 5.5, the General Assembly elects the members of the Executive Board

Position	**Incumbent**	**Region/Country**	**Since**	**Eligible for re-election?**	Comments
President	Magnus Berntsson	Västra Götaland (SE)	2017	yes	
VP – Treasurer	Christian Debève	Grand Est (FR)	2017	yes	
VP for Economic Transition	Kenneth Backgård	Norrbotten (SE)	2021	yes	
VP for Democracy	Nina Björby	Västerbotten (SE)	2017	yes	
VP for Culture, Education and Youth	Radimir Čačić	Varaždin (HR)	2021	no	ended his mandate
VP	Filomena Calenda	Molise (IT)	2019	yes (TBC)	
VP for Sustainability	Albert Castellanos Maduell	Catalonia (ES)	2017	yes	
VP for Inclusion, Diversity & Equal Opportunities	Andrew Gibson	Hampshire (UK)	2017	no	will end his mandate
VP for Enlargement & Neighbourhood Policy	Lukas Mandl	Lower Austria (AT)	2017	yes	

VP for Social Policy and Public Health	Mihai Ritivoiu	Timiş (RO)	2021	yes (TBC)	
VP for Cooperation & Strategic Partnerships	Jean-Luc Vanraes	Brussels-Capital (BE)	2019	yes	
VP for Employment & Skills	Alessandra Zedda	Sardegna (IT)	2019	yes	
VP for Regional Economic Development	Damir Zobenica	Vojvodina (RS)	2017	yes	

MONITORING AND EVALUATION GROUP (MEG)

As per the Statute (5.5), the General Assembly elects the members of the Monitoring and Evaluation Group.

Position	**Incumbent**	**Region/Country**	**Since**	**Eligible for re-election?**
Members of the MEG (as far as elected by the General Assembly)				
Chair	Thomas Hartman	Västerbotten (SE)	2013	no
Member	Andrew Joy	Hampshire (UK)	2019	yes (TBC)
Member	Ana Verushi	Korça (AL)	2016	yes

ELECTION COMMITTEE

As per the Statute (5.5), the General Assembly elects the members of the Election Committee.

Position	**Incumbent**	**Region/Country**	**Since**	**May be re-elected?**
Members of the Election Committee (as far as elected by the GA)				
Chair	Monica Gundahl	Värmland (SE)	2019	not running
Member	Natalija Martinčević	Varaždin (HR)	2019	not running
Member	Gloria Vitaly	Innlandet (NO)	2017	not running

Roles and expectations

Further information about the roles and expectations of the different positions can be found on the AER website: 1) Governance & Structure; 2) Statute & strategies.

Application process

The Election Committee will be happy to receive all candidacies (CV with cover letter) as soon as possible and at the latest by 15 September 2021.

All communications concerning the elections will be through the Elections Committee Chair's seconded officer, Mr. Johan Lundgren (johan.lundgren@regionvarmland.se) with CC to AER Secretary General, Mr. Christian Spahr (c.spahr@aer.eu).