

Nominating a Vice-President

There are some important things for members to think about when nominating a representative to be Vice-President of Inclusion International.

Skills of the Person

Anyone who is nominated to be Vice-President should be a person who:

- Is a leader in their own community or organisation
- Understands about the rights of people with disabilities
- Understands the issues and challenges faced by people with intellectual disabilities in their country and region
- Is able to use their own experience and the experiences of others to speak about the issues
- Is happy to work in groups
- Can share their thoughts and opinions
- Has the support of their organisation and/or employer to allow them the time they may need to be part of the work, including time off to attend meetings.

The person being nominated must also be fluent in English.

Good Support

It is very important to think about the support for the self-advocate before nominating a person to the Council.

The self-advocate should have a good and consistent support person, that has been chosen and trained by the self-advocate.

Self-advocates may need support from their organisation to:

- Understand their roles and responsibilities as a Council member.
- Prepare for meetings, including reading emails in advance and understanding information.
- Take part in meetings, including online meetings.
- Make decisions in their role.
- Attend an event in their role, including travelling to and from meetings.

Inclusion International will pay for all travel, accommodation, and incidental expenses for both the Vice-President and their support person when they are asked to travel.