General
As a member of the Association Montessori Internationale, you will be aware that AMI is governed by an international Board, nominated by its members. The Board plays an important role in the strategic direction of the Association. This year the Board is needing to replace Guadalupe Borbolla who has come to the end of her term.

In accordance with AMI By-law (3b), the current vacancy needs to be filled by an AMI diploma holder, as the majority of the Board shall be AMI diploma holders.

The Board wishes to augment its current expertise and geographical representation and is open to receiving nominations from candidates with a wide variety of backgrounds and skill sets.

Board Member profile
The Board Member must be convinced of the pivotal role AMI can play in enhancing the potential of a human being. Whilst promoting the overall mission and vision of AMI, this position requires a deep commitment to AMI's objectives, which are:

To uphold, propagate and further the pedagogical principles and practice formulated by Dr Maria Montessori for the full development of the human being.

1. Upholding the rights of the child in society, and making known the child's importance for the progress of civilisation.

2. Making known the natural laws of growth in order to help the child to develop naturally in the family, school and society.

3. Awakening public opinion with regard to the moral dignity of the child as 'the Father of Man’, and to make clear the true nature of adult responsibility toward the child as the worker whose spontaneous activity produces the full-grown man.

4. Spreading and upholding the pedagogical principles and practice formulated by Dr Maria Montessori, which ensure the independence of the child’s personality through successive stages of growth until he reaches full normal development by means of his own activity.

5. Providing opportunities wherever possible for children to develop normally, thereby helping all adults to enter into a new life of harmony and co-operation with children; and by thus unifying the two fundamental phases of human life, to lead the way to a higher and more peaceable civilisation.

6. Functioning as a social movement that will strive to obtain recognition for the rights of the child throughout the world, irrespective of race, religion, political and social beliefs; cooperating with other bodies and organisations which further the development of education, human rights and peace.
Key Qualities & Experience

The candidate should:

- have a strong understanding of AMI’s mission and strategic goals;
- have a good knowledge and understanding of the international educational landscape and of the scope of work undertaken by AMI;
- be able to demonstrate commitment to education as a means for social change;
- be aware of and sensitive to the cultural diversity of AMI’s constituency;
- have served at board level in other organisations.

Requirements

- The candidate must be a member of AMI at the time of appointment, and therefore an active voting member of the association.
- The candidate must be an AMI diploma holder.
- The candidate must have excellent communication skills.
- The candidate must have excellent interpersonal skills.
- The candidate must have a good command of English.

Terms of Appointment

- The successful candidate will be nominated by the Board to be approved by members at the AGM.
- The Board member is appointed for a term of four years, and can be re-appointed for one further term.
- The position is a voluntary position, for which there will be no remuneration.

Frequency of Board Meetings

The Board will meet at least three times a year. As a general rule, the Board will meet on line in the first and fourth quarter of the year and in person at the AGM in April. Should additional ‘in person’ meetings be scheduled, these will be organised to coincide with events where a number of Board Members may already be present. Those Board members not present may attend via online platforms. AMI’s corporate language is English.

Expense Policy

It is the policy of the association to reimburse the Board member for all travel and accommodation to Board meetings, according to established travel guidelines, required to fulfil their duties.