Announcement: Next EITI Chair

We are now accepting applications and nominations for the next EITI Chair.

With almost 50 countries implementing the EITI across all major continents, the EITI has become the pre-eminent global standard for the governance of extractive resources. This is an outstanding opportunity to lead a high-level Board that seeks to ensure that natural resource wealth becomes a key engine for sustainable growth for economic development and poverty reduction.

Role of the Chair

The Chair is the public face of the EITI, leading the deliberations of the Board towards the effective delivery of the EITI. S/he seeks to maintain collaborative relationships between members and key participants, including governments, companies, civil society, and oversees, on behalf of the Board, the work of the Secretariat.

Term of engagement

The term of the Chair is the three year period between ordinary Members’ meetings, at which the whole Board is appointed. A Chair can serve a maximum of two terms. The present Chair, the Rt Hon Clare Short, is due to step down at the next Members’ meeting in early 2016.

Required qualifications

The Chair is expected to have the following background and skills:

- Significant international standing esp. ability to expand implementation and support for the EITI.
- Understanding of the role of transparency and accountability in promoting development. Understanding of the extractive industries.
- Commitment to the EITI principles.
- Inspiring and experienced public speaker.
- Ability to carry the trust of all constituencies of the Board. Ability to moderate a large meeting effectively and build consensus between shareholder groups.
- No potential conflicts of interest.
- Sufficient time to dedicate to the EITI and ability to respond quickly (availability a minimum of 1-2 day per week excluding travel). Availability to travel both short and long-haul –minimum 2 days per month.
- Fluent English and ideally French, with Arabic, Spanish and Russian being an advantage.

Remuneration

The previous Chairs have worked pro-bono but alternative arrangements could be considered. All work-related expenses will be covered. A dedicated office including an executive assistant and necessary office and communications equipment could be considered.

Contact for more information

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