

## Science International: Science in Exile initiative

### Call for Nominations for the Steering Committee

The deadline for submission of nominations is 17 May 2021.

Applications to be submitted via this [form](#).

The **Science in Exile initiative** has gained momentum over the past year and, with an official launch on 30 March 2021, it is now putting in place an interim governance structure for the coming 12 months. At this time, the aim is to create a diverse and collaborative leadership structure that will encourage growth and adaptability of the initiative as it moves forward.

The **(interim) Steering Committee** will be supported by a secretariat (Science International). There are also plans to establish an Advisory Board at a later date. Four task teams are being created based on current prioritized needs of the initiative

The **(interim) Steering Committee (SC)** will be composed of approximately 8 to 10 nominated individuals. It is essential that the SC is illustrative of the initiative's diversity through gender, regional, and refugee/displaced scientist's representation.

The role of the Steering Committee is to provide leadership in a collaborative manner, accountable to the General Assembly of network members and donors. Responsibilities of individuals appointed will be expected to attend monthly Steering Committee meetings (1.5 hours), participate in a task team and review documents as needed. All individuals selected into the interim Steering Committee will be asked for a 1-year voluntary commitment with the possibility to renew. Additional details of the roles and responsibilities can be found in the draft interim [Terms of Reference](#).

Members of the Steering Committee will be selected based on the following experiences and competencies:

- Demonstrated interest, participation and commitment to the initiative.
- Experience or knowledge around at least one of the following: humanitarian issues, refugee/displacement, network building, advocacy, leadership, academia/job placement, policy-making.
- Strong network and connections within the science, diaspora, academic, humanitarian or government sectors.

The selection process will be as followed:

- Science International will carry out a pre-screening of applications, including to ensure they are complete

- A team composed of Science International and some Science in Exile key stakeholders will review applications and proceed to select the members of the committee.

The timeline of the nominations and appointment process is:

30 March 2021	Call for Nominations launched
17 May 2021	Deadline for submitting nominations
31 May 2021	Selected individuals contacted
June 2021	First meeting of interim steering committee

For more information about the (interim)Steering Committee and the Science in exile initiative, please contact [displacedscientists@twas.org](mailto:displacedscientists@twas.org).