

Candidate Brief

Date: 22/05/2020
Name:
Remuneration: As per the GCNA Constitution, directors receive no remuneration for this role.
Time Commitment: 15-20 hours per month, including Board Meetings and Sub-Committee meetings (Three held face to face in Sydney or Melbourne, two held by Video Conference). Board members are elected for a two year term.

Overview

The UN Global Compact is the world's largest corporate sustainability initiative. It provides a universal language for corporate responsibility and provides a framework to guide all businesses.

In Australia, the business-led Global Compact Network Australia brings together signatories to the UN Global Compact, including a number of Australia's leading companies, non-profits and universities, to advance corporate sustainability and the private sector's contribution to sustainable development.

The Board

The Board provides leadership and Governance for the GCNA. The main functions of the Board are to:

- Ensure effective leadership of the organisation;
- Promote and ensure effective performance of the organisation;
- Set and assess the objectives and standards of the organisation;
- Monitor the financial, legal, ethical and regulatory performance of the organisation; and
- Provide links to the UN Global Compact.

The Board is currently comprised of seven directors, who serve for a term of two years. The total number of directors allowed under the GCNA's Constitution is ten.

We seek the appointment of candidates to assist in contributing to our capability and diversity gaps. The appointments allow candidates the opportunity to join a dynamic Board working to capitalise on opportunities while assisting with raising the profile of the GCNA.

Key attributes:

In line with the role of the board outlined above, the key attributes we are seeking in a Board candidate are:

- Demonstrated skills at in one of the following areas:
 - o Legal / corporate governance;
 - o Compliance and risk management;
 - o Strategic communications, particularly media relations;
 - o Executive leadership;
 - o Financial management; or
 - o Government relations.



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- Strong communication and relationship skills;
- Strategic thinking;
- Leadership; and/or
- Business acumen, including financial literacy and people management.

Our Key Values:

- The UN Global Compact asks Companies to commit to [ten universal principles](#) (The Ten Principles), and to support broader UN and societal goals such as the [Sustainable Development Goals](#). It is important that you're aware of these and agree broadly in the value of them.

Ideally, candidates will have:

- Tertiary qualifications in commerce/business, law, public policy, social sciences, environmental sciences, marketing or communications;
- Completion of the AICD Directors Course (or similar) is ideal, but not mandatory. We encourage aspiring directors to apply.

We encourage candidates of various ages and backgrounds to apply; we see the value of determination, passion and diversity over years of experience.

Application

Please complete the attached Expression of interest form and send to secretariat@unglobalcompact.org.au along with a covering letter and resume.

Key Documents

[The Global Compact Network Australia Constitution](#)

[2019 Annual Report](#)

[2019 Directors' Report and Financial Statements](#)

[Board Members](#)