

## WOMEN'S PLATFORM

### COMMITTEE NOMINATION AND ELECTION PROCEDURES

#### NOMINATION

1. At the 2022 Annual General Meeting a full new Committee will be elected. There will be a total of ten positions available and the Committee will be elected for a two year period. **Current members are eligible for re-election.**
2. At subsequent Annual General Meetings, half of the Committee will stand down and new Committee Members will be elected for a period of two years. The following year, the second half of the Committee will stand down, thus providing continuity of experience. Members standing down will be eligible for re-election.
3. Using the nomination form enclosed, **each full Member organisation may submit nominations for a Committee Member. A full member is any not-for-private profit organisation which principally represents or works for women, or as part of a wider portfolio of concerns and activities is directly involved in promoting the advancement and rights of women and/or girls.**
4. **A candidate can be any woman aged over 16.** The candidate can be from the nominating organisation or linked to it, but this is not a prerequisite for nomination. A candidate must agree to the nomination and must complete a Declaration and Consent Form.
5. Each nomination form must be signed by the Authorised Representative of the nominating Member Organisation, and must be accompanied by a Declaration and Consent Form, completed by the Candidate. **Otherwise the nomination will be invalid. Electronic signatures are accepted.**
6. Completed nomination forms must reach Women's Platform **by 5pm on Thursday 1 December 2022.** Forms should be submitted by email to [info@womensplatform.org](mailto:info@womensplatform.org).

#### ELECTION

7. When nominations close on **Thursday 1 December 2022** any unopposed candidates will be declared elected.
8. Should the number of nominations exceed the number of vacancies, a secret ballot of voting members present at the Annual General Meeting will take place. Ballots will be issued at the start of the Annual General Meeting.
9. The election results will be declared at the Annual General Meeting.
10. The Committee will elect office bearers from among its number at the first Committee meeting following the Annual General Meeting.
11. Office bearers can serve for a maximum of three consecutive years. They will be eligible for re-election after standing down for at least one year. The exception to this is the European Women's Lobby representative, who can serve for a maximum of four consecutive years, and can be re-elected after standing down for at least one year.