

## Common Ground 2020 board election

At the International Committee 2017, three IFM-SEI members were elected to the camp board of the IFM-SEI international camp, [Common Ground 2020](#), hosted by Woodcraft Folk (UK). The places were all filled but one person has since stepped back, therefore one position needs to be filled:

- Volunteer support - international role

The role description can be found below. Due to the quotas in place, the representative must be a **woman, under the age of 30** from the **European region**. Candidates can be from candidate or full member organisations.



### **Volunteer Role description: Volunteer Support**

For an international camp to be worth its name it needs more than just international guests, but to be organised and have programme delivered by comrades from around the world. Moreover, this camp we are trying to offer a high level of support to our volunteers, to avoid the burnout and feeling a lack of appreciation often experienced at the end of previous camps.

The role:

- Work with the International Coordinator and the Communications Coordinator to publicise the camp to IFM-SEI organisations. This may involve keeping in contact with other IFM-SEI organisations, translating, speaking at events and posting online.
- Work with the International Coordinator to help IFM-SEI groups to get to the UK. E.g. travel logistics, visa applications.
- Represent IFM-SEI members from different regions on the camp board and bring different perspectives and experiences.
- Help the rest of the board better understand cultural differences and expectations to try and avoid disappointments or issues on camp. Make an active contribution to planning and delivering the camp by:

- Working with the Volunteer Support Coordinator to help support the hundreds of volunteers from around the world who give up their time and energy to make these camps happen.

We are looking for a international committee member who can make a long-term commitment to helping organise the international camp with Woodcraft Folk and IFM-SEI that will take place in the summer of 2020.

We will finance your attendance at residential meetings in September 2018, 2019 and the pre-camp in June 2020. We hope you will also be able to contribute to regular day meetings via video call, and will keep in regular contact with the International coordinator and the rest of the camp board.

The positions will be elected at the IFM-SEI International Committee Meeting in June 2018, though it is not necessary that you are present at the meeting.

There will of course be lots of other opportunities to get involved in supporting volunteers coming out in the future. If you are interested in being involved in a different capacity, you can email [2020@woodcraft.org.uk](mailto:2020@woodcraft.org.uk) and we can talk directly about how to get involved.

If you would like to discuss the role in more detail, you can email Tom or Frankie - [chair@commonground.camp](mailto:chair@commonground.camp) or [international@commonground.camp](mailto:international@commonground.camp).

### Application process

If you would like to apply then you must send a one-minute video presenting yourself and your motivations to join the board of the next IFM-SEI camp by **8 June (23:59 CET)** to [nominations@ifm-sei.org](mailto:nominations@ifm-sei.org).

If there are not sufficient candidates nominated to fill the vacant post, nominations from the floor will be opened during the International Committee 2018.

### Voting

The voting system for the international members on the IFM-SEI International Camp 2020 board will be in line with the IFM-SEI Rules of Procedure where possible. The election of the positions shall be done by secret ballot. One ballot paper will be distributed, with the names listed of every candidate, and each organisation can put a cross next one candidate's name. Candidate and full member organisations are eligible to vote. The elected representative will be the one with the majority of votes. In the case of a tie, a re-vote will be conducted. If there is still a tie, the member will be selected randomly.

## Monitoring of the election

The Nominations Commission will be responsible for the coordination and delivery of the elections. The Nominations Commission will appoint a counting committee of three people at the IC meeting. Candidates are entitled to have one IFM-SEI member to observe the counting on their behalf. The Chair of the Control Commission will announce the election result immediately after counting has been completed.

The Nominations Commission was appointed by the IFM-SEI Presidium and consists of:

- Isi Quirós Perez - Chair of Control Commission
- George Smart - EVS volunteer/Woodcraft Folk
- Delphine Konda - Girls Excel
- Eduard Fernando Martínez - Esplais Catalans