

Criteria for the selection of External Directors or "Other Directors" to the European Nursing Research Foundation

According to ENRF's Constitution (article 7), there are four types of Directors that can be appointed in the organisation; one **Founding Director**, **EFN Directors**, **Other Directors** and **Honorary Directors**. The EFN is the only **Founding Director**.

"EFN Directors" are the Directors appointed by the EFN. "Other Directors" are "natural or legal persons committed to make the financial contributions established by the Board of Directors, with the agreement of acceptance of such Board" (article 4). "Honorary Directors" are individuals or entities with recognized scientific or professional prestige known for their work in favour of Nursing.

The **ENRF Board** consists of **8 Directors**.

In case of more than 8 Directors, the proportions between EFN Directors and Other Directors should remain the same. This means that if the number of Directors in the Board of Directors is increased, the EFN shall also increase the number of EFN Directors.

Criteria for 'Other Directors'

The first step to become a Director of the ENRF is to make a relevant request to be sent to the Foundation Secretary General in Brussels that will accreditate and analyse all the application documents. The Secretary General will then pass the application to the Board who will take the final decision.

The following criteria will be taken into account when selecting 'Other Directors':

- Have (or have had) a leading role in the area of academic research
- Have (or have had) a leading role in the area of nursing
- Have (or have had) a political role contributed to the area of healthcare for example through the participation in policy making projects with national and/or European institutions
- Have (or have had) a leading role in the healthcare Industry for instance being involved in projects or concrete collaborations
- Knowledge/expertise in the area of nursing
- Knowledge/expertise in management of non-profit organisations
- Knowledge/expertise in international or European foundations
- Knowledge/expertise in being CEO/President/ Director of an Industry



Moreover, "Other Directors" will share the vision, mission and objectives of the Foundation and will work according to the priorities of the agenda established by the ENRF. The Directors may make proposals for topics for research, in order to get funds for EU projects. All proposals should be in line with the ENRF SORP. The final decision about topics and projects proposals will be made by the EFN Directors and the ENRF Secretary General.

'Other Directors' will commit to participate to all the Board meetings, either face-to-face or on-line, and will dedicate time to enable the delivery of the objectives set up by the Foundation.

The inclusion of an "Other Director" in the Foundation will be notified by notarial deed that will include the following points:

- The price per year to become "Other Directors" will be determined by the ENRF Directors and will take into account inflation.
- Validity of the collaboration regime and annual renewal with the approval of both parts.
- Commitment of the Director to collaborate to the activities planned by the Foundation.
- Any other aspect that may be considered relevant for the collaboration with the Foundation.