Position Description & Application Information

Members of the Nationality Review Panel

Role

The Nationality Review Panel of World Athletics (the Panel) is established pursuant to Regulation 2.1 of the Transfer of Allegiance Regulations (the Regulations) and is appointed by, and reports to, the World Athletics Council.

The Panel’s primary role is to decide if an athlete can represent a Member Federation based on the criteria set out in Rule 4 of the Eligibility Rules (the Rules) and the Regulations. The Rules and Regulations can be found here (See Books C3.3 and C3.4).

The Panel reviews and make decisions following applications submitted by Member Federations concerning either the eligibility (i.e. when an athlete has never previously competed for a Member Federation) of an athlete to represent a Member Federation or transfer of allegiance (i.e. where an athlete has previously competed for a Member Federation) of an athlete from one Member Federation to another.

The Panel consists of a pool of nine members from which a minimum of three (3) members are chosen by the Chairperson to consider the applications received from Member Federations. In July 2022 Council appointed four (4) new members to the pool. In August 2023, the term of office of three (3) members from the pool will expire. In addition, the term of office of the two (2) Council Members (one of whom is the Chairperson) in the pool will also expire in August 2023 at the end of their current Council mandate.

World Athletics now seeks applications for three (3) positions on the Panel for appointment by the World Athletics Council in August 2023. The appointment will be for a period of four years ending in July 2027. The current three (3) members whose term of office expires may re-apply for appointment. The remaining two (2) Council Member positions (including the Chairperson) will be appointed following the 54th World Athletics Congress.

The Panel frequently receives applications (approximately 30 to 40 applications per year) for its consideration and decision. To fulfil its responsibilities, each Panel either meets virtually or considers matters through email consultation.

Individual Attributes

The Chairperson and members of the Panel will collectively have experience in the areas of governance and being on a decision-making panel everyone will be appointed primarily for his/her qualification and/or expertise in the subject matter of the Panel. As all members will be bound by the Integrity Code of Conduct applicants must have impeccable integrity. Shortlisted applicants will also be vetted by the Vetting Panel.

The members of the Panel will have relevant governance and experience from being a member of panel making rule-based decisions. Experience of dealing with eligibility and/or transfers of athletes within athletics or other sports bodies is a bonus.
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Administration

If travel is required, then World Athletics will arrange travel and accommodation and reimburse travel expenses in accordance with World Athletics policy. The role is not remunerated.

Key Actions and Dates

Please find listed below the key actions for prospective applicants which Member Federations and Area Associations should also be aware of:

- **A Cover Letter** detailing the applicant’s suitability (against the criteria listed) outlining their skills and experience, how they will contribute to the Nationality Review Panel and the reasons for applying;
- A full **Curriculum Vitae**;
- **Contact details**: email address and telephone numbers (including mobile);
- **Referees**: contact details of three (3) referees; and
- **Endorsement**: written endorsement supporting the application from the applicant’s Member Federation or Area Association is welcomed but not required.

All applicants should also review the Vetting Rules, a copy of which is available [here](#) (See Book B3.2).

The key dates of the application process are below:

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<td>16 July 2023 (23:59 CEST)</td>
<td>Deadline for submission of candidates for the Nationality Review Panel: <a href="mailto:nominations.panel@worldathletics.org">nominations.panel@worldathletics.org</a></td>
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<td>16 July to 6 August 2023</td>
<td>Review applications, compile shortlist &amp; conduct interviews</td>
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<td>By 11 August 2023</td>
<td>Conduct vetting of the shortlisted candidates</td>
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<td>13-14 August 2023</td>
<td>Council Decision on proposed appointment of three (3) Nationality Review Panel Members</td>
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<td>By 15 August 2023</td>
<td>Email notification of Council’s decision (letters of appointment to be sent after 54th World Athletics Congress)</td>
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Applications should be emailed to nominations.panel@worldathletics.org by no later than 23:59 (CEST) on 16 July 2023.