

## **Board of Directors (BoD) Profile & Election**

With the purpose of consolidating the Network's institutionalization, to guarantee its stability and sustainability, and in line with other similar organizations, the following criteria and procedures are applied for the Board of Directors Election:

### **Election of Board Members**

- Every two years, **5** Board positions are open for election by the General Assembly Meeting (GAM).
- The President issues the **call for candidates** to all Full Members at least 6-4 weeks prior to the GAM and determines the information requested.
- Full members seeking election to the Board must send their **candidacy** to the President and the Executive Office at least 4-2 weeks prior to the GAM.  
\*Candidate organizations must identify their prospective Board representative.
- A **candidates list** is sent to all Full and Associate Members at least 2-1 weeks prior to the GAM.
- Candidates are invited to introduce their candidacy at the GAM.
- Full and Associate Members vote for the candidates through a secret ballot.
- In case of a tie, the President who convened the GAM has a casting vote.
- Exceptionally, if the elected representative of the member organization is unable to represent its institutions, the organization selects another.
- The mandate of a Board Member is automatically terminated in case of withdrawal or dismissal of the institution.

### **Board Members Profile**

- Board Members are elected by the GAM from among Full Members, for a two-year term that can be extended.
- Travel and subsistence expenses of Board Members attending meetings or NAMES activities are not reimbursed by NAMES.
- Board Members are to hold portfolios of projects under NAMES umbrella to support the Network and its offerings. These projects are agreed upon during Board Meetings and are taken on to advance services. Board Members capitalize on their expertise to advance these projects.

- Board Members are committed to actively recruiting new members in the region and ensure that the Network's reach is ever expanding.
- Board Members help in raising awareness on any NAMES events, trainings, conferences, etc., including, but not limited to, the EMME Summer School and the Biennial Conference. Their commitment to advance these projects reflects their commitment to the Network.
- Board Members must be aware that when they attend conferences and meetings on behalf of their centers, that they are also representing NAMES and should endeavor to advance its mission and reach as much as possible.
- Board Members may offer services from their centers/museums to support the Network; such as: participation in developing informative material, kits, scientific articles, printing documents, etc.
- Board Members have the added responsibility of collaborating with the Executive Office in actively mobilizing resources to ensure hosts of conferences, the EMME Summer School, and other approved network activities are identified.
- Board Members will be asked to participate in committees serving projects for and on behalf of the Network, as well as program committees related to events and conferences when and if needed.
- Board Members are to endeavor to maintain open and collaborative communication with the President, each other, and the Executive Director, as a means to ensure the Network's success and sustainability.
- Board Members serve as NAMES ambassadors in the Network's sub-regions: the Arab Gulf States, the Levant, North Africa, Turkey, etc., to ensure better representation and reach.