



ITD Alliance

Global Alliance for
Inter- and Transdisciplinarity

CALL FOR LEADERSHIP BOARD AND PRESIDENT NOMINATIONS

and

SAVE THE DATE: SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 2025 GENERAL ASSEMBLY (focused on reporting and elections)

Many thanks for being a member of the ITD Alliance.

Nominations for the Leadership Board and President open on August 13. Please consider standing for election!

Please also participate in the September-October General Assembly, which will receive reports about all aspects of the work of the ITD Alliance, vote on the annual budget and financial statement, and elect the members of the Leadership Board and the President. For General Assembly meeting dates and other information see: <https://itd-alliance.org/general-assembly-2025-reporting-and-elections/>

Key dates are:

Date	Task
August 13, 2025	Nominations for the Leadership Board and President open.
September 10, 2025	Nominations for the Leadership Board and President close.
September 17-24, 2025	Agenda papers sent to members, including reports, the annual budget and financial statement, and the candidate statements for the Leadership Board and the President.
October 9 and 10, 2025	General Assembly meetings to discuss issues raised in the agenda papers and to hear from the President, Treasurer, Executive Secretary and Working Group convenors.
October 9 (00.01 am), 2025	Voting opens to accept critical reports and the annual budget and to elect members of the Leadership Board and the President.
October 24 (11.59pm), 2025	Voting closes

Positions Available

At the September-October General Assembly, the following positions will be available for election:

President: 1 position

Member of the Leadership Board: 6 positions (7 if there is no President), with 3 of these positions reserved for ITD Alliance members from the Global South.

The terms of Leadership Board members and the President are two years. A Leadership Board member and the President can be re-elected for a maximum of 3 continuous terms. After reaching the maximum number of terms, re-election is possible after a break of 1 term. A member who wishes to continue on the Leadership Board or as President after their two-year term ends must submit a nomination and be elected from the pool of candidates.

Nominating for the Leadership Board and/or the position of President

Are you interested in:

- **Shaping the direction** of the only global professional society representing collaborative modes of research and education, especially inter- and transdisciplinarity?
- **Strengthening the visibility, capacity, and interconnectedness** of inter- and transdisciplinary communities around the world?
- **Ensuring that the priorities and perspectives of your region are represented** in the activities and policies of the ITD Alliance?

If so, nominate to join the Leadership Board of the ITD Alliance! (Self-nominations only.)

Eligibility: You must be a member of the ITD Alliance to be eligible to nominate for the Leadership Board and/or the position of President.

Process: Please provide a 200-word (approx.) candidate statement that includes:

1. Your headshot
2. Your position and institutional affiliation
3. Whether you are standing as a representative of an institutional member or as an individual member
4. Whether you are standing for the Leadership Board, position of President, or both
5. Languages spoken
6. What you would like to achieve, if elected to the ITD Alliance Leadership Board and/or the position of President.

Candidates who represent an institutional member should also attach a separate brief statement of endorsement for their nomination to the Leadership Board from the head of their institution.

Third party nominations are not accepted. Candidates should submit their own nominations.

Email your statement to the Executive Secretary, Caryn Anderson (caryn.anderson@itd-alliance.org), with the subject: Leadership Board Nomination and/or Nomination for the position of President.

Closing date: 10 September, 2025

What's Involved In being on the Leadership Board?

According to the bylaws:

“Duties and responsibilities of the leadership board are:

- To define the strategy of the ITD Alliance and to set priorities for its implementation;
- To elaborate and define governance structure of the Leadership Board, (i.e. presidency model or ‘Swiss federal council model’, specific roles and duties of board members),
- To appoint all functions required for an association under Swiss law that are not appointed by the General Assembly,
- To elect the Executive Secretary and host institution(s) of the secretariat,
- To define additional members of the executive committee,
- To approve new members,
- To exclude members if they act contrary or in opposition to goals of the Alliance,
- To propose membership fees,

- To decide on fee reductions for specific members (e.g. members from low-/low-mid income countries, member-funded institutions, significant in-kind contributions, offering significant benefits for ITD Alliance members),
- To approve or terminate working groups (with termination due to several years without activity, or acting contrary or in opposition to goals of the Alliance),
- To reach out for third-party funding,
- All members of the Leadership Board are generally entitled to represent the ITD Alliance. The Leadership Board will discuss specifics of representation.”

Leadership Board decisions are made by majority vote and require at least 2/3 of members to vote.

The Leadership Board meets virtually for an hour in most months. Two meetings are scheduled to accommodate different time zones. In addition to these one hour meetings, Leadership Board members are asked to allocate 1-2 hours per month to review the agenda and papers, as well as to report on activities.

Leadership Board members are also encouraged to advocate for the ITD Alliance by recruiting members, hosting webinars, and networking with related organisations. Some also serve on the Executive Committee and take on special strategic assignments. In 2025-2026, members of the Leadership Board will be given the opportunity to take on portfolio responsibilities, especially news bulletin co-editor.

For the activities undertaken by the Leadership Board in 2024-2025, see: <https://itd-alliance.org/achievements/>