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Amnesty New Zealand: Governance Team Vacancy

Current vacancy

The Governance Team (GT) of Amnesty International Aotearoa New Zealand (AIANZ) is seeking expressions of interest to fill a vacancy within the Team. We are seeking to co-opt a member until the next Governance Team elections at the May 2012 Annual Meeting. It is hoped that a GT member co-opted now will then stand for election to the GT for a two-year term at the Annual Meeting.

All GT members are AIANZ members who serve in an unpaid, voluntary capacity. The formal governance functions are as set out in clause 11 of the AIANZ Statute (see <http://www.amnesty.org.nz/files/AIANZStatute-AM2008Approved.pdf>). As a guide, commitments include:

- Attending GT meetings – three-four times a year (two x Saturday, one x Saturday and Sunday);
- Planning for and attending the Annual Meeting – held in May each year (next AM is 12 May 2012);
- Participating in GT Sub-committees;
- International work – eg attendance at AI meetings; consultation and feedback on AI papers; and
- General GT work – eg members work on individual policies and papers; email discussions.

At the global level, Amnesty International currently has some ambitious growth and fundraising targets, and AIANZ has its own similarly ambitious targets. Accordingly, in seeking to fill the current GT vacancy, we are especially interested in individuals who have some or all of the following skills and experience:

- Membership growth;
- Fundraising growth;
- Marketing;
- General commercial experience;
- Previous governance and NGO experience is preferred but not essential; and
- An interest in and passion for human rights.

Registering your interest

To register your interest please send a curriculum vitae and a covering letter outlining your interest and relevant expertise to the Acting Vice Chair, Natalie Baird at Natalie.baird@amnesty.org.nz or a hard copy of the expression of interest can be sent for the attention of Natalie Baird at:

Amnesty International Aotearoa New Zealand

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Wellesley Street

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All expressions of interest for the current vacancy should be received by 31 January 2012.

A list of those who have registered interest will be considered for suitability by the Governance Team in February 2012, and it is expected that a decision will be made and applicants informed of the outcome by the end of February 2012.

Future GT roles

The Governance Team maintains a register of individuals who are keen to contribute to AIANZ at the governance level. Consequently expressions of interest are also welcome at any time from individuals who are keen to be included in the register for future vacancies. Please send your CV and a covering letter outlining your interest and expertise to Natalie Baird using the contact details above.

Natalie Baird

Acting Vice Chair

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