



INFORMATION FOR NOMINATION OF COUNCIL MEMBERS

BOTANICAL SOCIETY
OF SOUTH AFRICA

Information regarding nominations of members to the Council of the Botanical Society of South Africa

The Botanical Society of South Africa's mission is to 'win the hearts, minds and material support of individuals and organisations, wherever they may be, for the conservation, cultivation, study and wise use of the indigenous flora and vegetation of southern Africa.'

The Society's activities are directed and managed by a nine-member Council which is member elected. The Council mainly deals with policy and ensuring that the Society's programmes and finances operate in line with the mission and objectives. Committees formed within the Council are mandated to manage particular operations (e.g. EXCO, Conservation, Marketing, Publications, etc.)

It is anticipated that Members of Council will commit to:

- governance responsibility of the Society
- fiduciary responsibility for the Society
- time and services for a period of at least one year
- advising management teams on matters of policy and guidelines
- accepting collective decisions as a body of governance

Whilst Members of Council need not have formal training in conservation, a deep commitment to the Botanical Society and its objectives is encouraged.

Members of Council do not represent any organisation, branch or interest group, but are appointed in their individual capacity. Council meetings are held at least four times a year, with sub-committee meetings held from time to time.

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Know, grow, protect and enjoy South Africa's indigenous plants

Expertise in one or more of the following areas is essential:

- Conservation
- Botany and Horticulture
- Finance, Business and NPO Management
- Sponsorship networking opportunities
- Fundraising and marketing
- Leadership and strategic management within especially the NGO sector.

You are hereby encouraged to nominate **member(s)** who wish to be elected and serve on the Council of the Botanical Society of South Africa. Nominations may be made via a Branch or directly by members.

Nomination forms are to be submitted together with a short CV of the nominee. Since all nominees will be posted on the BotSoc website, we recommend that a recent photograph accompanies the CV.

Form to be submitted by email to botsocagm2021@gmail.com by 12 :00 on 11 June 2021 or delivered to the National Offices at Kirstenbosch Gate 2, or Walter Sisulu Botanical Gardens by the same deadline.

The Society wishes to ensure effective demographic balance (region, race and gender) on its Council, as well as balance of skills and experience, and urges nominating branches/individuals to give this issue due attention when considering a nomination.

Please mark your calendars with these important dates:

- Nominations open 6 April 2021
- Nominations close 12:00 midday on 11 June 2021
- Nominee's CVs and photographs are published on the website by 11 June 2021
- Resolutions open 1 June 2021
- Resolutions submissions close 18 June 2021
- Postal/Proxy votes open 18 June 2021
- Postal/Proxy votes close 09:00am on 2 July 2021