

Saferworld Trustees

Background

Saferworld is an independent international organisation working to prevent violent conflict and build safer lives. We work with people affected by conflict to improve their safety and sense of security, and conduct wider research and analysis. We use this evidence and learning to improve local, national and international policies and practices that can help build lasting peace. Our priority is people – we believe in a world where everyone can lead peaceful, fulfilling lives, free from fear and insecurity. We are a not-for-profit organisation currently operating in 12 countries across Africa, Asia and the Middle East.

We are currently looking for Trustees to join us at an exciting time to support our strategy development and continue our peacebuilding work in complex environments. Our organisation is led by its Board, which is responsible for the governance and strategic direction of the organisation. Being a Saferworld Trustee is an influential and valuable role and you will make an important contribution to our current peacebuilding work, and our future direction.

The Roles

We welcome any candidates who have substantial experience and expertise in the fields in which Saferworld is active. We particularly wish to recruit new trustees with skills which are complementary to those of the current board members. We are therefore particularly interested in hearing from individuals with competence and interest in the following areas:

- Fundraising/financial/corporate management
- Communications and advocacy
- Human resources
- Organisational management / governance experience in the charitable sector
- All candidates who would bring substantial relevant experience and expertise.

The Requirements

In line with the Charity Commission Guidance for Trustees, our Trustees are expected to carry out the following duties honestly and reasonably:

- Ensure the charity is carrying out its purposes for the public benefit
- Comply with our governing document and law
- Act in the charity's best interests
- Manage the charity's resources responsibly
- Act with reasonable care and skill
- Ensure the charity is accountable.

Trustee roles are voluntary and unremunerated. Reasonable travel expenses will be reimbursed for attendance at our quarterly meetings.

Person Specification

- A commitment to Saferworld's vision, mission, values and approach
- High level of personal integrity and commitment
- Proactive, creative and enthusiastic
- We welcome applicants with experience in the global south, from the diaspora community, and women.

Time commitment

- The Board meets quarterly in central London for 3 hours during the working week. Trustees are expected to attend at least 3 Board meetings per year
- Trustees may also be asked to assist with relevant matters between meetings

- Trustees are asked to commit to a minimum of 3 years.

Saferworld is an equal opportunities employer and we are committed to creating an inclusive environment for all employees and Trustees. We celebrate diversity and applications are actively encouraged from individuals from diverse backgrounds. We are committed to ensuring gender equality within our organisation.

Application process

If you would like further information please visit our website www.saferworld.org.uk. You are also welcome to contact our Board Chair (jeremylester@fastmail.fm).

To apply, please submit your CV, along with a covering statement to Mahmood Noman, Head of People and Culture mnoman@saferworld.org.uk stating why you wish to join the Board, the skills and experience you would bring the board and any other relevant information.

Deadline for applications

22 October 2019