Visionary Steering Council (VSC) Member - Join the WBF Research Foundation

Welcome to the WBF Research Foundation, where passionate volunteers lead the charge in advancing bioprotection research and innovation. Our non-profit organisation is dedicated to fostering sustainable development, nurturing healthy ecosystems, and safeguarding livelihoods through ground-breaking initiatives. At the heart of our mission lies the exploration and utilisation of microbial solutions in agriculture and the environment. Our primary objective is to tap into the immense potential of microbes and global research expertise, transforming the landscape of pest and disease management while ensuring the preservation of soil and plant health. We are committed to promoting planetary well-being through the strategic deployment of biocontrol, bio-stimulant, and biofertilizer solutions. To achieve this, we aim to unite leading researchers and institutions from around the world, embarking on extensive exploratory surveys in diverse regions and countries. Through these surveys, we strive to uncover novel microbial strains that hold tremendous potential for commercialisation.

Applicant

Are you a highly experienced individual with foresight, long-term vision, and wisdom? The Foundation is seeking remarkable individuals like you to become esteemed members of our Visionary Steering Council (VSC). This voluntary role provides and outstanding opportunity to play a pivotal role in shaping the strategic direction of the Foundation, leaving an indelible mark on the global stage.

Your Impact Will Resonate Globally

With this voluntary position, you have the extraordinary opportunity to make a significant global impact. By joining our esteemed VSC, you will lead the charge in developing and disseminating innovative solutions to tackle the most pressing agricultural and environmental challenges that our planet faces. Your contributions will actively contribute to the betterment of present and future generations, fostering planetary health, and ensuring equitable access to bioprotection solutions.

Key Responsibilities that Empower You

As a VSC member, your expertise will be instrumental in propelling the Foundation forward. Your primary responsibilities will include:

Providing strategic direction and invaluable guidance to the Foundation.

Overseeing the development and management of ground-breaking research initiatives.

Enabling and supporting the Foundation in securing funds and resources for its endeavours.

Overseeing the Program Advisory Council of Experts (PACE), ensuring our collective expertise is harnessed to its fullest potential.

Fostering networking and collaboration opportunities among partner organisations.

Acting as a global ambassador for the Foundation, passionately promoting goals and initiatives, raising awareness, and garnering support from relevant organisations and influential individuals.

Qualifications and Experience that Set You Apart

To excel in this esteemed role, you should possess the following qualifications and experience:

Essential:

Demonstrated high-level experience in providing visionary leadership, strategic direction, and governance oversight in a professional or organizational setting.

Highly desirable:

A strong background and proven leadership in bioprotection, research management, or businesses related to agricultural and environmental challenges.

Familiarity with translating research output into commercial products relevant to the development of microbial tools and technologies.

Excellent skills to facilitate partnerships, collaborations, and resource mobilisation efforts.

Veterans Welcome

If you have the above qualifications and experience, we warmly welcome retired professionals who are able and willing to volunteer their valuable time for this important cause. Your wealth of knowledge and expertise will contribute to making a lasting global difference. The Foundation enthusiastically invites applications from individuals who possess a strong dedication to driving innovation and fostering collaboration to address agricultural and environmental challenges through the implementation of microbial solutions.

VSC Membership and Duration

The VSC is composed of 10 members, including a dedicated Chairperson. The selection and appointment of VSC Chairperson and members will be carried out by the Foundation. Each VSC member will serve a term of three years, with the potential for reappointment based on mutual agreement. To fulfill their responsibilities, the VSC will convene four times annually, or as necessary. Meetings will generally take place through virtual platforms, ensuring efficient and convenient participation.

How to Apply

If you are interested in this opportunity, please send your expression of interest that outlines your relevant qualifications and experience, along with your curriculum vitae, to the Foundation's Chairman at sb.sharma@wbfresearchfoundation.org by 20 July 2023.

Joining the VSC presents an extraordinary opportunity to be part of a dedicated team working towards a shared objective of protecting our planet and its inhabitants, effecting lasting change for the benefit of all. For additional details, please visit the WBF Research Foundation webpage at www.worldbioprotectionforum.com.

Note: Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.