## IBRD/IDA/IFC/MIGA Procedure

# Selection and Appointment of World Bank Group Sanctions Board Members

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#### Content

This Procedure sets forth the process by which Sanctions Board Members are selected and appointed.

#### Applicable to

IBRD, IDA, IFC, MIGA

#### **Issuer**

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#### **SECTION I – PURPOSE AND APPLICATION**

- a. The purpose of this Procedure is to set forth a harmonized approach and process across the World Bank Group Institutions by which Sanctions Board Members are selected and appointed.
- b. This Procedure applies to IBRD, IDA, IFC and MIGA.

#### **SECTION II – DEFINITIONS**

- 1. As used in this Procedure, the capitalized terms and acronyms have the meanings set out below or as defined in the WBG Policy: Statute of the Sanctions Board:
  - a. Bank: IBRD and IDA.
  - b. Chair: The Chair of a Selection Committee for a Sanctions Board Member.
  - c. **Executive Directors:** The Executive Directors of IBRD, IDA, IFC, or the Directors of MIGA, or all of them, as the case may be.
  - d. HRDCS: Human Resources Client Services.
  - e. **IBRD**: International Bank for Reconstruction and Development.
  - f. **IDA**: International Development Association.
  - g. IFC: International Finance Corporation.
  - h. MDCAO: Managing Director and Chief Administrative Officer of the World Bank Group.
  - i. MIGA: Multilateral Investment Guarantee Agency.
  - j. **Nominating WBG Institution**: The respective WBG Institution for which a vacancy on the Sanctions Board exists.
  - k. **President**: The President of the World Bank Group.
  - I. Sanctions Board: The World Bank Group Sanctions Board.
  - m. **Secretary**: The Secretary to the Sanctions Board.
  - n. Selection Committee: The Selection Committee for a Sanctions Board Member.
  - o. Staff: Persons holding an appointment under Staff Rule 4.01, "Appointment".

p. World Bank Group or WBG Institutions: collectively, IBRD, IDA, IFC and MIGA.

#### **SECTION III – SCOPE**

#### Vacancy

1. <u>Vacancy.</u> The Secretary informs the MDCAO and the General Counsels of the WBG Institutions in a timely manner when any vacancy is expected to arise for membership in the Sanctions Board.

#### **Constitution and Composition of the Selection Committee**

- 2. <u>Constitution</u>. The General Counsel of the Nominating WBG Institution establishes a Selection Committee with responsibility for vetting and making recommendations to the President for suitable candidates to fill the vacancy.
- 3. <u>Composition</u>. The Selection Committee is comprised of the following five members:
  - i. The General Counsel of the Nominating WBG Institution or his/her delegate, who serves as the Chair of the Selection Committee:
  - ii. Two other representatives of the Nominating WBG Institution, appointed by the General Counsel of the Nominating WBG Institution; and
  - iii. One representative from each of the two other WBG Institutions, appointed by their respective General Counsels.

#### **Selection Criteria**

- 4. Pursuant to Section III, Paragraph 4 of the WBG Policy: Statute of the Sanctions Board, the selection criteria for members of the Sanctions Board is as follows:
  - i. Candidates do not currently hold any appointment to the Staff of the Bank, IFC or MIGA;
  - ii. For Bank appointees, candidates are familiar with procurement matters, law, dispute resolution mechanisms, or operations of development institutions; and
  - iii. For IFC and MIGA appointees, candidates are familiar with private sector cross-

- 6. <u>Public Notice of Opening</u>. HRDCS, in collaboration with the General Counsel of the Nominating WBG Institution and the Secretary, publicly post vacancies on the WBG's intranet and on the Sanctions Board external website. The vacancies are socialized in any manner deemed appropriate by the Nominating WBG Institution.
- 7. <u>Selection Approach</u>. The Chair, in coordination with HRDCS, keeps the MDCAO apprised of administrative process information relating to the search, including whether any external search firm is engaged to assist in the identification of potential candidates.

#### **Review of Candidates**

- 8. <u>Initial Screening</u>. HRDCS and the Chair or his/her delegate screen applications to filter out those that do not meet minimal qualifications.
- Long List. The Chair or his/her delegate, in consultation with the Secretary and HRDCS, create a long list of 20 candidates at most. To create the long list, the Chair may consult internal or external sources, including lawyers from the Nominating WBG Institution, Office of the ICSID Secretary General, or international law firms, as s/he deems appropriate.
- 10. <u>Vetting of Long List Candidates</u>. Candidates in the long list have satisfactorily passed the following steps:
  - i. Initial conflict of interest check by HRDCS, and
  - ii. Initial integrity due diligence by the Nominating WBG Institution.

#### **Interview of Candidates**

- 11. <u>Short List and Interviews</u>. The Selection Committee reviews the long list and create a short list of 3-5 candidates. Shortlisted candidates are interviewed by the Selection Committee. The Secretary is available for consultation during this stage of the selection process.
- 12. Additional Vetting. Prior to the interviews, candidates are subject to the following:
  - i. Candidates provide a written representation on the absence of conflicts of interests or other issues that that prevent them from serving on the Sanctions Board, if selected; and
  - ii. The Chair decides whether to require additional vetting of candidates in any other way s/he deems appropriate, including requesting references from both internal and external sources.

#### **Candidate Recommendation and Consultation**

Candidate Recommendation. After interviews are conducted, the Selection Committee
selects a candidate to recommend to the President. The Selection Committee's
recommendation is made byv7c0208 TD (recommendatiTd (decides)T)T(aretnt.)Tj 49.526977549ee's

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14. Additional Integrity Due Diligence. The candidate selected for recommendation to the

#### **SECTION V – WAIVER**

The Issuers may jointly waive any provision of this Procedure provided the waiver does not contravene the provisions of the WBG Policy: Sanctions for Fraud and Corruption or the WBG Policy: Statute of the Sanctions Board.

#### **SECTION VI – OTHER PROVISIONS**

N/A

#### **SECTION VII – TEMPORARY PROVISIONS**

N/A

#### **SECTION VIII - EFFECTIVE DATE**

This Procedure is effective as of the date on its cover page.

#### **SECTION IX – ISSUER**

The Issuers of this Procedure are: Senior Vice President and General Counsel, LEGVP; Vice President & General Counsel, CLSVP; and Director & General Counsel, MIGLC.

#### **SECTION X – SPONSOR**

The Sponsors of this Procedure are: Chief Counsel, LEGVP; Chief Compliance Officer, CBRDR; and Chief Counsel (Operations & Policy), MIGLC.

#### **SECTION XI – RELATED DOCUMENTS**

WBG Policy: Sanctions for Fraud and Corruption

WBG Policy: Statute of the Sanctions Board

Bank Procedure: Delegation of Functional Authority from President to Managing Director and

Chief Administrative Officer

Bank Directive: Sanctions for Fraud and Corruption in Bank Financed Projects

Questions regarding this Procedure should be addressed to the Sponsors.