



International Volunteer Committees – Application and Appointment Process

12-month cycle – January 1, 2026 – December 31, 2026

Timing	Opportunity
August 2025	2026 International Volunteer Committees & objectives are established
September 15, 2025	2026 International Volunteer Committee application opens (Accessible Online)
October 20, 2025	2026 International Volunteer Committee application period closes
November 2025	Selection Committee processes applications and rosters are finalized
December 2025	2026 International Volunteer Committee appointment notifications are sent
January 1, 2026	2026 International Volunteer Committees become active

Council of Regional Chairs – Application and Appointment Process

Timing	Opportunity
August 28, 2025	2026 Regional Chair & Vice Chair application opens (Accessible Online)
October 1, 2025	2026 Regional Chair & Vice Chair application period closes
November 2025	Board Development Committee processes applications and schedule interviews
November 2025	Final Selections & Notifications
December 1, 2025	2026 Regional Chapter Representative Appointments are due from Chapters
December 11, 2025	Notification of 2026 Regional Council Chair/Vice Chair & Chapter Reps – communicated in Chapter Leader Newsletter
January 1, 2026	2026 Regional Officers term become active

2026 RISE Awards Timeline and Process

Timing	Opportunity
September 10, 2025	2026 RISE Award Nominations & Application Opens (programs from 2025 will be considered)
November 1, 2025	RISE Awards Nomination form closes
December 10, 2025	RISE Awards Application closes
January - February, 2026	RISE Awards Committee Reviews - Round 1
March 2026	RISE Awards Committee Interviews Finalists - Round 2
March 2026	RISE Awards selections ratified
By April 1, 2026	Finalists notified
April/May TBA, 2026	RISE Awards Finalists Announced at GMID
June 2-4, 2026	RISE Awards Recipient Recognition & Presentation at WEC San Antonio

International Board of Directors – Application and Appointment Process

12-month cycle January 1, 2026 – December 31, 2026

Timing	Opportunity
June 18, 2025	Board of Directors application is officially open and accessible online
July 1, 2025	Board of Directors application marketing campaign begins
August 1, 2025	Applications close
August/September 2025	Board Development Committee interviews and reviews applicants
October 2025	Board Development Committee meets to approve slate
November 1, 2025	IBOD slate is announced to membership and open until December 1 st for review by membership
October 2025	2026 Strategic Planning Meeting
December 1, 2025	Uncontested slate is final, and Media Advisory is sent
December 2025	2026 IBOD members attend Board Orientation
January 1, 2026	New Board becomes active

Foundation Global Board of Trustees – Application and Appointment Process

12-month cycle January 1, 2026 – December 31, 2026

Timing	Opportunity
June 18, 2025	Board of Trustees application opens and accessible online
July 1, 2025	Board of Trustees application marketing campaign begins
August 15, 2025	Board of Trustees application process closes
August 2025	Executive Committee interviews, reviews, and selects applicants
September 2025	Global Board of Trustees meets to ratify slate
October 2025	International Board confirms slate of Global Board of Trustees
October 2025	2026 Strategic Planning Meeting
November 1, 2025	Global Board of Trustees slate is announced and official
December 2025	2026 Trustees attend Board Orientation
January 1, 2026	New board becomes active

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