ISN Council Election 2011

VOTE PROCEDURE AND INSTRUCTIONS

ELECTION PROCEDURE

Nomination of candidates
- Candidates for the 2011 Council Elections were selected by ISN Nominating Committee, chaired by Prof. Rashad Barsoum.
- 3 candidates were nominated for each of the 11 open positions; the ISN Council approved the candidates’ list.

Casting your vote
- The vote opens on March 1, 2011 and will close on Saturday April 9, 2011 - 12 pm (noon), Vancouver Time. Paper vote will close on Friday April 8, 2011 - 12 pm (noon) Vancouver Time.
- All ISN Members in good standing receive a unique username and password by email. They will be asked to login to the online voting system.
- ISN encourages all members to vote by internet at https://eballot4.votenet.com/isn/login.cfm. Alternatively connect to the ISN Gateway www.isn-online.org and follow the instructions.
- In the event members cannot vote online, they can request paper ballots to the Election Helpdesk. They will receive the blank ballot sheet by fax or post. Hard copy ballots should reach the Elections Helpdesk no later than Friday April 8, 2011 - 12 pm (noon), Vancouver Time. Username and password should be copied in the box at the top right corner of the ballot sheet. Ballots without identification will not be accepted!
- Onsite online voting will be available at the World Congress of Nephrology until Saturday April 9, 2011 - 12 pm (noon), Vancouver Time. For any assistance onsite, please contact the ISN staff at the Registration desk or ISN booth.
- Double voting will not be allowed (e.g. via the website and by mail or fax). Please note that the online vote will always take precedence over the paper vote.

Validation of the vote, ISN Election Committee
- Once the vote is closed, online and hard copy votes will be automatically tallied. Results will be certified by Votenet, ISN’s partner for the election.
- An ad-hoc Election Review Committee will be set-up consisting of the ISN Secretary General and 3 members drawn from ISN Council. They will be assisted by two ISN members of staff.
- The Committee has the single task of validating the voting process and results after the official closing of the vote. This includes the review of the e-ballot counts and the official approval of the final results.
- The Committee will disclose the outcome of the elections to the President who will officially announce the results at the General Assembly.

Announcement of the results
- The results of the elections for 11 new Councilors will be announced by ISN President during ISN General Assembly on Tuesday April 12, 2011 from 08:15 to 09:15.
- The results will be ratified by ISN General Assembly.

THE CANDIDATES

Councilors’ mandate
The Council of the International Society of Nephrology is the governing body of our Society. It represents the ISN members and provides the overall direction of the Society and sets the framework for the Executive Committee to run the organization on a daily basis in close cooperation with our ISN HQs staff.

New Councilors will serve three consecutive two-year terms and will therefore be in office from 2011 until 2017.

Candidates
- 11 positions are to be renewed in 2011. There are three candidates for each position.
- You can find a short biography of each candidate on the online voting system at https://eballot4.votenet.com/isn/login.cfm.
- We encourage you to vote for all vacancies within each Council Zone!
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HELPDESK

Toll Free Number: 866-975-7133
International number: 202-207-0540
Fax number: 202-737-2283
Email address: isnelections@votenet.com

Please contact the Election Helpdesk for any assistance with online and paper ballots and in particular:

- If you have misplaced your username and password. Please note you will need them to login to the voting system and to identify your hard copy ballot. Ballots without identification will not be accepted!
- To request a paper ballot in case you cannot vote online.
- For any questions or problem related to accessing or using the online voting system.

Alternatively, you can contact the ISN Global Operations Centre: Tel: +32 2 213 13 67, mpsmal@isn-online.org.

RETURN ADDRESSES FOR PAPER VOTES ONLY

Postal address for paper votes:
2011 ISN Election
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Washington, DC 20005
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+ 202-737-2283
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Deadline for casting an online vote: Saturday April 9, 2011 - 12 pm (noon) Vancouver Time.
Deadline for returning paper votes: Friday April 8, 2011 - 12 pm (noon) Vancouver Time.

Thank you for your vote!