

Geneva, 24 April 2024

To the Members of the International Conference of the Red Cross and Red Crescent

Re: Call for nominations for the election of the Standing Commission of the Red Cross and Red Crescent.

Dear Madam / Sir,

As you know the 34th International Conference of the Red Cross and Red Crescent will be held from 28 to 31 October in Geneva. On this occasion, five members of the Standing Commission of the Red Cross and Red Crescent will be elected by the Conference members by means of an electronic voting system as previously used. While candidates must be members of a National Society, they run for election and are elected in a personal capacity.

Candidates are hereby invited to submit their nominations to the Electoral Committee, the independent subsidiary body established by the Standing Commission to organise and oversee the election. They are invited to consult the eligibility and integrity requirements defined in the **Statutes and Rules of Procedure of the Movement**, as well as in the **Guidelines for candidates** adopted by the Council of Delegates in 2019 (Resolution 4). Candidates are also urged to carefully read the **Campaign Standards** and ensure their compliance.

Candidates are strongly encouraged to submit nominations at least sixty days before the opening of the International Conference, i.e. by 29 August 2024, to enhance the electoral process. As per Rule 21 of the Rules of Procedure of the Movement, nominations for the Standing Commission may still be delivered until 28 October 2024 (i.e. forty-eight hours before the opening of the meeting in which the election will take place).

Once a candidate's eligibility is confirmed, the nomination file will be translated into the four working languages of the Conference and posted on a rolling basis on the Conference website.

Per the current draft provisional agenda and programmes, **elections will be held on 30 October 2024**. An informal 'Meet the Candidates' session will be organized on 29 October 2024. When electing the five members of the Standing Commission, members of the 34th International Conference are urged to take into account the **personal qualities** and the principle of **fair geographical distribution** as well as **equitable gender balance**, notably by choosing at least two women and two men among the candidates.



How to submit candidacies

To be valid, nominations must be submitted in one of the four working languages of the Conference and include all the following documents duly completed and signed:

- the Nomination Form for the 2024 election of the Standing Commission,
- the Statement of candidacy (Annex 1);
- the Declaration of integrity (Annex 2); and
- the Membership and integrity attestation established by the candidate's National Society (Annex 3).

Please submit nomination forms and required documents to the Electoral Committee:

- by email to: <u>election@standcom.ch</u> or
- by post to: c/o Secretariat of the Standing Commission of the Red Cross and Red Crescent, 19 Avenue de la Paix, 1202 Geneva, Switzerland

Should you need any additional information on the subject, please contact us via email at election@standcom.ch.

Yours sincerely,

Yves-Jean Duméril

Head of Secretariat

Standing Commission of the Red Cross and Red Crescent

Linked Annexes:

- Nomination Form
- Statement of candidacy (Annex 1)
- Declaration of integrity (Annex 2)
- Membership and integrity attestation by the National Society (Annex 3)
- Guidelines for Candidates for Election to the Standing Commission (2019)
- Guidance on the election of the Standing Commission
- Campaign Standards for the election of the Standing Commission