

Call for nominations: 37th AITA/IATA asbl General Assembly Monaco 22 August 2021

22 October 2020

In accordance with the **Constitution of AITA/IATA asbl**, the 2021 General Assembly in Monaco will proceed to the renewal of Council. The President will reach the end of her two-year term of office¹ and three Councillors will reach the end of their four-year term of office. There is one vacant Councillor post².

- **President Béatrice Cellario**
- **Councillor Villy Dall (Treasurer)**
- **Councillor Pierre Cellario**
- **Councillor Christel Gbaguidi**

President Béatrice Cellario has declared her intention not to seek re-election; Councillor Villy Dall is no longer eligible; Pierre Cellario has declared his intention not to seek re-election for a second term; Councillor Christel Gbaguidi has declared his availability to renew his mandate as Councillor at the end of his first term in office.

The 2021 General Assembly will, therefore, elect four Councillors and the President who will all be appointed and take office immediately following election. The President and Councillors are elected for a mandated period of four (4) years ("the Mandate Term"). These posts take an active role in the general management of the Association.

Any natural person can announce their candidacy for these posts. Each candidate needs the written support of at least two (2) Members (National Centres). Only Members (National Centres) who have paid their 2020 and/or 2021 Membership Fee can support candidates. Only Members (National Centres) who have paid their 2021 Membership Fee can vote at the 2021 Monaco General Assembly.

Description of functions under the Constitution of AITA/IATA asbl

President – The President of AITA/IATA asbl represents the Association officially upon all occasions.

President and Councillors - share the joint responsibility, delegated to them by the GA, for the strategic governance and the day-to-day management of the Association by ensuring that the vision, mission, values and practices are in line with the objects of the Association.

The President and Councillors are not remunerated by AITA/IATA asbl, nor do they receive any allowances. To enable Council to deliberate validly, candidates **agree to participate in all statutory meetings** and must have secured the provision for funding their travel expenses before submitting their application. Candidates must also have read and agree to be bound by the Code of Practice in the Hand-e-book available on the AITA/IATA Website www.aitaiata.net/policy.html. These points should be **clarified explicitly** in the Candidates application letter.

Candidates who believe that they can fulfil the duties either of the President or a Councillor, are called upon to declare their intention to stand for election. Following the approval of candidates by Council, approved candidates must comply with the precise terms and procedures of the timetable attached to this notification.

In accordance with the Election Timetable below, a candidacy must have been received by the President and Secretariat by **midnight 24.00 GMT on 7 December 2020**.

¹ To bring the election of the AITA/IATA President back to Monaco, the candidates standing for President in 2019, agreed to resign half-way through their four-year term in office.

² Councillor Harald Volker Sommer stood down as a Councillor after the deadline for elections in 2019 leaving a vacant post.

Electoral Process and Timetable 2020 - 2021

To prepare the elections with greatest transparency in time for the General Assembly of 2021, Council will proceed according to the following timetable, which is limited to change only within the Constitution.

- **31 August 2020:** date by when Councillors who wish to renew their mandate announce their intention to do so, or not.
 - President of AITA/IATA Béatrice Cellario
 - Councillor Villy Dall (Treasurer)
 - Councillor Pierre Cellario
 - Councillor Christel Gbaguidi
- **31 October 2020:** date by when the call for candidates to the role of President and four (4) Councillor posts will be sent to all Members (National Centres) with voting rights at the 2020 General Assembly. Any natural person can announce their candidacy. For a candidacy to be valid, a candidate must have the support of at least two (2) Members of the organisation³.
- **7 December 2020:** date by when a candidacy must have been received by the President and Secretariat before **midnight 24.00 GMT**. The Secretariat will check all candidacies received and acknowledge their receipt.
- **28 February 2021:** date by when Members with voting rights at the 2020 and/or 2021 General Assembly will receive the first call of the General Assembly by email.
- **31 March 2021:** date by when the complete list of individual candidates will be sent by email to Members with voting rights at the 2020 and/or 2021 General Assembly.
- **25 April 2021:** date by when the Secretariat of AITA/IATA asbl must receive at least two Member (National Centre) Support Forms for each candidate. Only Members (National Centres) with voting rights at the 2020 and/or 2021 General Assembly can support candidates.
- **27 June 2021:** date by when Council will have examined the validity of and agreed the list of candidates. These will be emailed to all Members with voting rights at the 2021 Monaco General Assembly, together with the Statutory documents of the General Assembly, at least eight weeks prior to the meeting of the General Assembly on Sunday 22 August 2021 in Monaco.

³ In order to be valid, the support of at least two (2) Members must be on a Support Form which will be emailed to all Members. (Decided by Council in October 2016)