

Selection Criteria for Directors

Applicable for appointments to be made in 2019

The ideal candidate will possess all or most of the following experience, skills and attributes:

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Experience

- A successful track record of managing complex stakeholder expectations and relationships.
- Demonstrated experience in the SMSF sector.
- Relevant experience at a director or senior level in business in one or more of the following industries:
 - Accounting
 - Financial Services
 - Legal Services
 - Academia
 - Government/Regulatory
 - SME
 - Other relevant sectors.
- Experience in member-based organisations, Government, academia or other relevant bodies.
- Accounting, Commercial, legal, marketing, management or other relevant tertiary qualifications.
- Previous governance, board experience or AICD qualifications or similar.

Skills

- Outstanding leadership skills including:
 - Capacity to consider the operational consequences of decisions
 - Ability to accept responsibility, individually and as a member of the Board
- Excellent communication skills with the ability to listen to other points of views, influence, persuade and express ideas clearly.
- Possess relevant functional skills in one or more of the following:
 - Practitioner Knowledge
 - Governance
 - Finance / Risk / Audit
 - HR / People Management Legal / Compliance
 - IT / E-commerce (in combination with other functional skills)
 - Public Relations / Communication
 - Managing Stakeholder relations and expectations
- Understanding the delineation between the Board and that of management.
- Strong analytical skills and judgement of a high order, preferably in management, finance, or similar disciplines.

Attributes

- Be a financial Member of the SMSF Association.
- Possesses interpersonal characteristics appropriate for Board membership of a large geographically and culturally diverse organisation.
- Able to contribute sufficient time and commitment to ensure the Association's success.
- Possess high business/ethical standards and alignment with the values of the SMSF Association:
 - Act with integrity
 - Respect all people
 - Care about the needs of members
 - Encourage innovation
- Ideally, well connected within the business community, academia or financial services sectors.
- Ability to address issues outside their immediate area of functional expertise and have sufficient levels of commercial acumen and judgement to balance relevant commercial requirements.
- Understands the confines of operating within a member based organisation.
- Be able to demonstrate appropriate independence and ethical decision making.
- Aware of conflicts of interest and act in the best interest of the Association as a whole.