



## ELECTION OF THE INTERNATIONAL SECRETARIAT OF THE WMW

### CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

Dear WMW Members

Greetings to all of you!

The current International Secretariat of the WMW has been based in Mozambique since 2014. 7 Years have passed since Mozambique has assumed the host of the International Secretariate. According to By-Laws, the IS mandate is six (6) years that can be extended for another three (3) years maximum. During our 11<sup>th</sup> International Meeting in 2018, in Bilbao, it was agreed that the Transition of the International Secretariat would take place during the 12<sup>th</sup> International Meeting in 2021.

In light of procedures in By-Laws, we are excited to launch formally the transition process, which includes:

1. Candidature of NCB to host the International Secretariat
2. Proposed Coordinator for the International Secretariat.

#### **International Secretariat**

##### *a. Role, responsibilities and functioning*

a.1 The International Secretariat is responsible for: putting into practice the decisions made during International Meetings and the work plan updated annually by the International Committee; guaranteeing communication between the different levels of participation and coordination of the WMW; and mobilising the human and financial resources necessary to carry out their mandates. The International Secretariat works in a collective and horizontal manner and is supported by International Committee members in carrying out its work.

a.2 The International Secretariat is accountable to the International Committee and International Meeting

##### *b. Location of the International Secretariat*

The location of the International Secretariat rotates amongst countries. The International Meeting elects the host National Coordinating Body as well as the International Coordinator proposed by that NCB for a period of six (6) years that can be extended for another three (3) years maximum.

##### *c. International Secretariat office selection process*



c.1 The International Committee and the IS are responsible for the organisation of the process for the presentation of candidacies. Decisions related to the new location and the transition process are taken during the International Meeting.

c.2 Criteria for countries that want to present their candidacy for the International Secretariat:

c.2.1 to have a functioning National Coordinating Body that has participated in International Actions and is broadly recognised by the national women's movement in their country;

c.2.2 to have the capacity to fund-raise in order to maintain the work of the International Secretariat;

c.2.3 to work in partnership with an organisation that is willing to ensure the legal status of the International Secretariat;

c.2.4 to have the capacity to guarantee communication in at least the three working languages of the WMW (English, Spanish and French).

#### d. Coordinator

d.1 The coordinator holds a statutory role as spokeswoman and representative of the March, but she shares this responsibility with the Secretariat team and the International Committee.

d.2 In case of vacancy of the position of the coordinator, the IC will manage the situation together with the NCB hosting the IS.

**We invite all National Coordinating Bodies to submit their formal application to host the International Secretariat. In our 12th International Meeting in 2021 we will be celebrating the transition.**

**The deadline for the candidacies is 31 August 2021**

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- **Letter of intent from the NCB;**
- **Letter from the organization that will give the legal status (if different);**
- **Name and profile of the proposed Coordinator to be;**