



## ELECTION COMMUNICATION & CALL FOR CANDIDATES

Dear Members of the European Chamber,

The South China Board Election, where South China **Chair of the Board** (1), **Vice Chair** (2) and South China **Board positions** (4) are elected, will take place at 16:30 - 21:30 on 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2019, at the Four Seasons Hotel Guangzhou.

Please allow me to introduce the Election procedure.

### Who can run for elections?

South China Board Election

1. Chair (1 position) – Any representative of a corporate member of the European Chamber
2. Vice Chair (2 positions) - Any representative of a corporate member of the European Chamber
3. Board Member (4 positions) – Any representative of a corporate member of the European Chamber and any individual member<sup>1</sup>

### Who can vote?

*You can vote at the elections if you:*

- 1.a Are a designated representative (the main contact between the European Chamber and your company), or
- 1.b Are an individual member and
2. Paid the membership fee for the year 2019 (please make sure that the Chamber has received and confirmed your membership payment by no later than 20<sup>th</sup> March 2019).

### How can I vote?

The latest update of the Articles of Association approved during the AGM in 2018 have made the AGM and local board elections more convenient and practical for our members by introducing the e-voting form.

#### E-Voting

You are welcome to cast your vote either in person, or by e-voting, or designating a [proxy](#) to vote on your behalf. Please see below more information regarding each voting modality

1) **In person** by secret ballot at the election venue. Please note that even if you have voting rights confirmed by the Secretariat of the Chamber, you **must have registered for the AGM** by Friday 19th April 2019 in order to exercise this vote.

2) **Electronic voting**, open from April 1<sup>st</sup> 9am to April 18<sup>th</sup> 9am, by accessing designated link using your European Chamber user account email. Please note that the voting information will be sent to the designated representative of your company.

3) Assign a **proxy** to vote on your behalf by Friday 19th April, COB. Please fill in the proxy form and send a scanned copy to Francine Hadjisotiriou at [fhadjisotiriou@european-chamber.com.cn](mailto:fhadjisotiriou@european-chamber.com.cn), by fax

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<sup>1</sup> Any individual member that will run for this position need a pre-approval from Exco



to (0755) 8635 0920 or in person at the Chamber office in South China (Room 308, 3/F, Chinese Overseas Scholars Venture Building, South District, Shenzhen Hi-Tech Industry Park, Shenzhen)

### How can I run for elections?

The nomination period is now open until **27<sup>th</sup> March, COB**

If you would like to run for **South China Board Chair, Vice Chair** or **Board members**, you need to:

- 1) **Be nominated** by two designated representatives of other members eligible to vote (please refer to the above section “who can vote and run for elections?”)
- 2) **Fill in and sign the [Nomination Form](#)**. The nomination form must also be **signed by both the proposer and the seconder**, who must be members of the sectoral working groups in good standing (with paid dues).
- 3) **Send the nomination form** scanned by e-mail to **Francine Hadjisotiriou** at [fhadjisotiriou@european-chamber.com.cn](mailto:fhadjisotiriou@european-chamber.com.cn), by fax to **(0755) 8635 0920** or in person at the Chamber office in **South China** by **27<sup>th</sup> March, COB**.
- 4) Provide a short bio and [Motivation Letter](#) scanned by e-mail to **Francine Hadjisotiriou** at [fhadjisotiriou@european-chamber.com.cn](mailto:fhadjisotiriou@european-chamber.com.cn) , by fax to **+86 (0755) 8635 0920** or in person at the Chamber office in **South China** by **27<sup>th</sup> March, COB**.

Please download the [Election Notice](#) from the Secretary General Adam Dunnett, which officially opens the election period.

For more information, please refer to the European Chamber Articles of Association (click [here](#)) and By-Laws (click [here](#)) or contact **Olga Ivashchenko** for membership-related queries and queries about your eligibility to vote/run at [Oivashchenko@european-chamber.com.cn](mailto:Oivashchenko@european-chamber.com.cn).

### Agenda

- 16:00pm-16:45pm: Registration and networking of members and attendees.
- 16:45pm-16:55pm: Opening Speech by Francine Hadjisotiriou, General Manager of the European Chamber South China
- 16:55pm-17:10pm: Key note speeches by Mats Harborn, European Chamber President and Joerg Wuttke, former European Chamber President, followed by a panel discussion
- 17:10pm-17:30pm: Panel discussion between Mats Harborn and Joerg Wuttke moderated by Jamie Rowlands
- 17:30pm-17:45pm: South China Chapter report, by George Lau, Chairman of European Chamber South Chapter
- 17:45pm-18:20pm: Short hustings by candidates
- 18:20pm-18:30pm: Election by secret ballot
- 18:30pm-18:50pm: Board members, Working Group and Forum chairs and vice chairs, Privileged Members, Privileged Partners and new members on stage
- 18:50pm-18:55pm: Voting results announcement by Adam Dunnett, Returning Officer, European Chamber Secretary General
- 18:55pm-19:00pm: Concluding remarks by the elected chairman
- 19:00pm-21:30pm: Finger food dinner and networking

I am looking forward to seeing you on 22<sup>nd</sup> April



Best regards

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