

Board Paper 2012.1

Confirmation of new Board Members for CPR*south* for terms commencing in September 2012

Background:

A decision was taken to expand the board from 13 up to 25 members in December 2010. In keeping with the decision, six new members were appointed in December 2011. One board member (Xavier) resigned before the last board meeting, bringing the total number of board members to 18 in December 2011.

The terms of five board members (Elder, Jhunjhunwala, Sugondo, Xu and Yuan) end in December 2012. In order to fill the six vacancies (five plus that created by Xavier resignation), the Board converted itself into a nominating committee from January - April 2012 with each member entitled to submit an unlimited number of nominations. Board members made six nominations, of which all were approved by circulation in May 2012, to be confirmed at the seventh Board Meeting.

1. *Regg Coutts (Australia)*
2. *Laurent Elder (Canada)*
3. *Shiji Gao (China)*
4. *Ashok Jhunjhunwala (India)*
5. *Rajendra Kumar (India)*
6. *Koesmarihati Sugondo (Indonesia)*

In July 2012, the Chair and administrative partner were informed of the resignation of Board Member, Milagros Rivera. This brought the total number of Board Members to 17.

Previously, CPR*south* board meetings were held in December. As new board members are confirmed at board meetings, their tenures began and ended in December. The CPR*south* conference, tutorials and board meeting has now been moved to September.

The confirmation of the new board members in September 2012 will bring the total number of CPR*south* board to 20 as of September 2012, as three of the retiring Board Members (Elder, Jhunjhunwala and Sugondo) are being re-appointed.

This will be still within the maximum number of board members which is 25. The number will go down to 18 in December 2012 with the retirements of Xu and Yuan.

Proposal:

As the total number of Board Members does not exceed the designated number of Board Members, it is proposed that the Board confirm the appointments of the six nominees approved by circulation for period of four years starting in September 2012 and ending in September 2016, allowing a gradual transition to a September-September cycle.