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Dear Fellows

Appointment of next Academy Vice President (International): call for nominations

I am delighted to write to you on behalf of Council to seek nominations for the next Vice President (International) of the Academy of Medical Sciences.

As you may already be aware, following my appointment to the Academy Presidency in December, Council appointed Professor Frances Brodsky FMedSci as Interim Vice President (International) until such time that a permanent successor to the role can be appointed via the regular process of election for Honorary Officers of the Academy.

The Vice-President (International) is at the forefront of the Academy's international work and will play a critical role in advancing our new international strategy that is currently in development and will focus on strengthening our partnerships with lower and middle incomes countries, global scientific powers and European partners. We are looking to elect to this role an individual with the expertise and commitment to lead our continued collaboration with partners across the world to promote biomedical and health research and ensure that this work contributes to the improvement of global health. They will be expected to bring drive and energy to our ongoing programme of international activity, working with Council, Honorary Officers, Fellows and our expert staff to develop new programmes and collaborations. They will need to be an excellent communicator, able to reach out across the international health and medical science community to promote focus on knowledge sharing, foster innovation and secure international cooperation and engagement to help address health inequalities and global health challenges. They will work with our international partner academies to create a clearer global voice for science. Interested candidates may wish to read my [priorities as President](#) on the website for further background on the Academy's challenges and opportunities at this time.

We are committed to equality, diversity and inclusion. Suggestions and expressions of interest are welcome from any area of the Fellowship and should be sent in confidence, to my Academy e-mail address, president@acmedsci.ac.uk. To clarify, the role is open to all Fellows of the Academy, including those based overseas. Fellows do not need to wait to be approached by a third party, self-nomination to the role is acceptable as long as it is supported by the requisite three signatures from other Fellows. Any Fellow wishing to discuss the role further should contact me at the earliest opportunity.

A nomination form, role description and details of the election process can be found on the Academy website. **The deadline for receipt of completed nominations is 30 July 2021.**

Council will elect the next Vice President (International) at its meeting in October 2021 based upon the recommendations of the Nominations Committee.

Please do give consideration to candidates who might be interested in taking on this role. Many thanks in advance for your assistance.

Yours sincerely



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