

TEPSA Board Candidacy Application Form 2025

Full name	
Country of residence	
Institutional affiliation(s) and current position(s)	
Email address	
Research interests / areas of expertise	
Are you currently a member of any other organisation's Board? If yes, please specify the organisation(s)	
Interest in roles / tasks within TEPSA Board <i>Please select two roles or tasks you would be interested in contributing to during your three-year mandate. These roles are coordinated by the Chairperson and Secretary General, in collaboration with one or more Board members.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> Funding strategy and applications <input type="checkbox"/> TEPSA visibility and communications <input type="checkbox"/> Coordination of the Recommendations of the TEPSA network to incoming Presidencies of the Council of the EU <input type="checkbox"/> Strengthening TEPSA's connections with academia and think tanks <input type="checkbox"/> Relations with EU institutions <input type="checkbox"/> Membership and TEPSA network enlargement <input type="checkbox"/> Treasurer: oversight of TEPSA's financial matters
Motivation for candidature <i>Please write a paragraph (maximum 500 words) explaining: 1) your motivation for applying as a TEPSA Board member; 2) how you would contribute to TEPSA's work and objectives; and 3) your relevant experience, particularly in relation to the selected roles/tasks above.</i>	

I agree to the distribution of the completed application form to TEPSA delegates ahead of the elections.

Date and location

Signature



TEPSA Board candidacy principles and process

Principles

1. The TEPSA Board shall be composed of a **minimum of 6** and a **maximum of 12 members**, including the Chairperson and the Secretary-General. A maximum of **10 positions** are open for election.
2. Board members are elected by the TEPSA General Assembly (GA) for a **three-year term**, commencing on **1 January 2026**.
3. One Board member will take up the role of **Treasurer**. The current Treasurer, Dries Callens, has expressed his willingness to stand for re-election.
4. Board members may come from academia, think tanks, policy-making, or public administration. They serve in a **personal capacity** and **do not need to be affiliated with a TEPSA member institute**.
5. The ideal composition of the Board will aim to ensure **geographical diversity, gender balance**, and **expertise in the thematic areas most relevant to TEPSA's mission**.
6. By submitting and signing the application form, candidates declare that they **do not have any personal, familial, financial, or third-party interests** that could **impair their independence, integrity, or objectivity** in fulfilling their responsibilities on the TEPSA Board. Any actual or potential **conflict of interest** relevant to the position must be disclosed.

Process

1. TEPSA will publish an open call for Board candidacies on its website on **7 July 2025**. The deadline for expressions of interest is **15 September 2025 at noon CEST**, and the final application must be submitted by **7 October 2025 at noon CEST**.
2. All TEPSA delegates will be informed of the candidates ahead of the GA (Nicosia, 31 October 2025 TBC). They will **receive the full application materials** for each candidate in advance of the vote.
3. Voting will be conducted by **secret ballot**. A **majority of full members present or represented** is required for the vote to be valid. A **quorum of one-third** of full members present must be met.
4. Each full member is entitled to vote. **Institutes not present physically** at the GA may designate another member in writing to vote on their behalf (**proxy vote**).
5. The **election results** will be announced during the GA. Only the names of the elected candidates will be disclosed. Individual vote counts will not be made public.