



## Bonsucro Chair of the Board of Directors

### Role Description

The role of the Chair of the Board is to provide leadership and direction to the Board of Directors. The Chair of the Board's aim is to enable the Board to fulfill its fiduciary responsibilities for the overall good governance of Bonsucro. The Chair of the Board will ensure Bonsucro complies with its governing documents, company law and any other relevant legislation or regulations, working in partnership with the Chief Executive Officer and Secretariat staff.

#### Primary Responsibilities

- Provide leadership to the Board of Directors;
- Ensure that the Board fulfills its legal and fiduciary obligations;
- Ensure that the annual cycle of board meetings is planned, including setting the agendas (supported by the Secretariat); chairing and facilitating Board meetings;
- Provide directions to Board policy-making;
- Monitor that decisions taken at board meetings are implemented (supported by the Secretariat);
- Act as a spokesperson for the Board of Directors (where appropriate);
- Attend and participate as a member of other committees or working groups (when appropriate).
- Leverage one's professional network to advance the mission and vision of Bonsucro

#### Desired Skills and Qualities

- Independence - not actively employed by any of Bonsucro members
- Commitment to Bonsucro's vision of a sugarcane sector with thriving, sustainable producer communities, assured supply chains, and that sugarcane production supports achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals in all cane-growing origins.
- Strong, demonstrated leadership ability;
- Integrity and vision;
- Strategic and global perspective
- Willingness to devote the necessary time and effort to duties as Chair;
- Ability to make decisions for the good of the organisation;
- Sound, independent judgement;
- Strong communication skills;
- Tact and diplomacy;
- Willingness to speak own mind and listen to the views of others;
- Strong understanding of the legal responsibilities and liabilities of a UK director.
- UK or EU based is preferred, but not required



**Desired experience**

- Strong credibility in the sugarcane sector
- Significant experience in governance and/or boards, chairing boards (and in particular newly formed boards)
- Understanding of sustainability and Bonsucro's work
- Involvement in and/or understanding of rural sustainability matters and/or agriculture sustainability roundtables.
- Understanding of not for profit membership organisation operations
- Understanding of commercial services development and delivery

**Time Commitment**

The Chair must be committed to attending all Board meetings, typically held quarterly, two by video-conference, two in-person. In addition, the Chair may be requested to attend Committees in his/her capacity as Chair of the Board. The Chair must also be able to devote additional time to working with the Chief Executive Officer and the Secretariat to further the aims of Bonsucro and to ensure good governance.

This is not a remunerated position. However, Bonsucro will reimburse reasonable travel, hotel and other expenses properly incurred by the Chair in connection with his/her attendance to Bonsucro meetings.

**Desired Start Date**

The Chair would be able to begin anytime from June 11, 2018 onwards.

**Applications**

Please send an up-to-date CV and cover letter to Dayse Groves: [dayse@bonsucro.com](mailto:dayse@bonsucro.com).