



Nomination Template

President

2019-2022

Nominee	
Name:	Brian John COUTTS
Member association:	New Zealand Institute of Surveyors (NZIS)
Country:	New Zealand (NZ)
Contact address:	1 Warwick Street Balaclava Dunedin New Zealand
Email address:	brian.coutts@otago.ac.nz
Age:	70
Degrees and educational background:	PhD (Surveying) (University of Otago, NZ) MSc (Resource Management) (Lincoln University, NZ) BSc (Geography) (University of Canterbury, NZ) Diploma in Land Surveying (University of Otago, NZ) Diploma in Management (NZ Inst Mgmt) Fellow, NZIS Fellow (eminent professional) RICS Fellow, Royal Geographical Society Member, NZ Planning Institute.
Employment history:	
- current position	Retired (31:12:17) Honorary Senior Lecturer , School of Surveying, University of Otago, New Zealand.
- previous position(s)	1992/2017 - Senior Lecturer , School of Surveying, University of Otago, New Zealand. 2006/2009 - Director , Environmental Science post graduate programme, (secondment), University of Otago 1993/2000 – Director , Resolutions Mediation Services Ltd 1990/92 - Director , Constantine Coutts Ltd, Planning and Surveying Consultants. 1987/90 - Asst Regional Manager , NZ Dept of Conservation. 1982/87 - Senior Planner , NZ Dept of Lands and Survey. 1970/80 - Surveyor , NZ Dept of Lands and Survey.



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<p>Positions of trust:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - current 	<p>Justice of the Peace Member, Constitution Board, RICS Member, Editorial Board, Survey Review</p> <p>Trustee, Otago Masonic Charitable Trust. President, Otago Centre, Royal New Zealand Pipe Band Assn. Drum Major, Pipes and Drums of Christchurch City.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - previous 	<p>Deputy Dean, School of Surveying, University of Otago, NZ (2007-12). President, Commonwealth Association of Surveying and Land Economy (CASLE) (2004-2007) Management Board, CASLE (1998-2007) Chair, Cadastral Surveyors Licensing Board of NZ (2002-10) Member, Council of Reciprocating Surveyors Boards of Australia and New Zealand (2002-10) President, NZIS (1999-2001) Member, RICS Geomatics Faculty Board (2008-2010) Councillor NZIS (1991-2003) Conference Treasurer, NZ Planning Institute Conference, Dunedin, 1991 Conference Secretary, NZIS Annual Conference, Greymouth 1984. Secretary, Canterbury Branch, NZIS (1978/80) Member, Canterbury Branch Executive, NZIS (1975/80)</p> <p>Management Board, Royal NZ Pipe Bands Assn (RNZPBA). President, Otago Centre, RNZPBA (1995-99). District Grand Master, Wickliffe District, Freemasons NZ (2006-08). Provincial Grand Master, Royal Order of Scotland (NZ South) (2016 – present) President, Champions of Otago Pipe Band (2005-10). President, Pipe Bands Foundation of NZ (1996-2003). Director, Pipe Bands Foundation of NZ (1991-2003). Drum Major, Champions of Otago Pipe Band (1989- 2003). Founding Editor, NZ Pipeband magazine of the RNZPBA (1983-91). Editor, New Zealand Surveyor. Editor, Trans Tasman Surveyor. Editor, Survey Quarterly.</p>
<p>Positions in FIG</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - current 	<p>Chair, Commission 1, FIG (2015-2019). Co-Chair ACCO (2015/16)</p>



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	<p>Member ACCO (2013-2019) Representative, School of Surveying, University of Otago, Dunedin, New Zealand (Academic Member) Vice Chair and Working Group Chair, Commission 1 (2011 - 2014).</p>
- previous	<p>Member, Task Force on Commissions 2014/17. ACCO Representative to Council 2015/16 Chair, Working Group on Voting Rights 2011/12 Vice Chair, Commission 1 2010/14 Instigator and campaign leader for the FIG WW in Christchurch (2010 – 2014).</p>
Other activities in FIG	<p>National delegate Commission 1 2005 – present National delegate Commission 8 1994 – 2005 NZ Head of Delegation 1998, 2003, 2007-11</p>
Field of surveying discipline	<p>Protected areas and statutory land use planning Professional practice and standards Cadastral Surveying Mediation Issues in Environmental Science</p>
Nominees statement	
Why I want to be the President of FIG	<p>There are 3 levels of operation of FIG; governance (the Council), management (the Commissions) and administration (the Office). Recent investigations have suggested that the management level (the Commissions) operates optimally. However, the other two levels can and should be improved.</p> <p>I would like the opportunity to cooperatively develop and lead improvements to refresh the governance and administration of FIG.</p> <p>I believe this is the particular role of the President.</p>
What I can offer to FIG in support of its aims and objectives	<p>There are 2 important issues facing FIG. The first is strategic leadership and governance in a time of rapid technological and organizational transformations of the activities and roles of members of FIG Member Associations. This must come from the FIG Council. As a professional planner and mediator I would like to improve the efforts already made in positioning FIG for the future as a significant contributor to our sustainable world in the area of land management information.</p>



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	<p>The second is related to the first in that in order to achieve our goals we need to find greater resources to support the FIG office. This requires improving the income of FIG, which has been an ongoing concern for the Council and the Member Associations for some time.</p> <p>That is, I stand for sound governance and adequately resourced administration. The latter, in particular, is a major challenge and must be not only addressed but pursued with determination.</p> <p>While there may be concern about increased travel costs for a President so far from Europe. This reinforces the Euro-centric bias of FIG. It would be my intention, while appearing as required at important functions wherever and whenever they occur, to utilize the expertise of the Vice Presidents, raising their status, and if necessary and appropriate, Commission Chairs.</p> <p>However, my more immediate concern would be to be available to the Asia-Pacific region, and specifically Oceania where the greatest consequences of global environmental impacts will be felt most.</p> <p>I did this successfully during my terms as Vice President (Pacific) and President of CASLE itself between 1998 and 2007. This was during troubled times in Fiji, the recognised centre of Pacific activities.</p>
My key skills	<p>Decades of successful not-for-profit governance; Cooperative management style; Highly experienced in working with a diversity of nationality, gender and occupational groups; Mediation practice experience; Critical analysis and problem solving; High level of integrity, listening ability, and communication. Pragmatism.</p>
Any other supporting information and comments:	<p>In particular, I represent a small non-European country, one that generally “fights above its weight” in international sporting, cultural, political and intellectual affairs. New Zealanders are world-recognised achievers. To date New Zealand has not held the supreme office in FIG.</p> <p>I combine that kiwi spirit with traditional Scottish values.</p>



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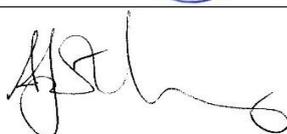
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Nominator	
Name of member association	New Zealand Institute of Surveyors - NZIS
Name of Proposer/Contact:	Andrew Stirling
Position in Association	Chairman of the Board
Contact address	PO Box 5304, Lambton Quay Wellington, New Zealand
Email address	andrewstirling@surveyors.org.nz
Nominator's statement	
Why the association wants to nominate Nominee	<p>Vision for Change. NZIS supports the candidates view of the strategic leadership and change required to position FIG for optimum performance. Brian is superbly qualified to lead FIG to enhance its relevance and achieve its goals.</p> <p>Governance Experience. Brian has an extensive and diverse governance CV. He has provided excellent leadership to many organisations within the surveying sector in NZ and internationally.</p> <p>Commitment. Brian has demonstrated his commitment to FIG in a range of roles for over 20yrs while balancing other demands on his time. He knows a great deal about FIG and the context it operates in.</p> <p>Collaborative style – outcomes focus. Brian is collaborative in style and focused on achieving successful outcomes.</p> <p>Diversity. NZIS supports diversity of Presidential candidates. Brian brings a strong world view and a focus on the rapidly changing Asia Pacific Region, including the Pacific Islands. Brian will relate well to all member organisations.</p>
What support (financial, administrative and others) can the Association provide to the Nominee if elected President	Up to NZ\$5000 per year towards airfares and accommodation.
Any other supporting information:	Nil
Name of Seconder:	Rebecca Strang



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Signed I hereby certify the above is true and correct*	
Date	11/12/2017
Nominee	
Nominator	

* Nominee is requested to initial every page of the nomination template

Clarifying Notes:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• The Nominator (Proposer and Seconder) must be principal officers of the FIG Member Association (by principal officers, it is construed as President or Chairperson, Deputy or Vice President/Chairperson, Secretary General or Chief Executive Officer or equivalent position)• The Nomination Template must be accompanied by a letter of support from either the President or the Principal Officer of the nominating FIG Member Association• Nominating FIG Member Association should ascertain the availability of the nominee over the duration of the term of office• Nominee should preferably have prior or current responsibilities within and working knowledge of FIG, its activities, aims and objectives• Nominee and Nominator are requested to pay attention to the Nominee's Statement and the Proposer's Statement
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