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Candidate to the position of World Boxing Executive Board Member

Candidature nomination form - sections 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9

Section 5 –Qualifications and professional background

This section asks about your qualifications and professional background.

Your answers will help Members assess your knowledge, skills and experience and how they support your ability to perform this role.

List your relevant qualifications

Relevant Qualifications:

- * Master's Degree in Engineering Project Management, United Kingdom.
- * ISDE Sport Management Programme (Madrid, Spain, 2025–2026), with focus on international sports management, governance, leadership and strategic development.
- * GLOBE Leaders Programme, Coventry, United Kingdom (2009).
- * More than 15 years of experience in international cooperation, institutional management, project coordination and administration.

- * Extensive experience in sports governance and boxing administration as Secretary General of the Libyan Boxing Federation.
 - * Member of the Sports and Competition Committee of the African Boxing Confederation.
 - * Experience in representing national sports organizations in international meetings and developing cooperation with international institutions.
 - * International Boxing Referee and Judges since 2013.
 - * Member of the Referees and Judges Committee of the Arab Boxing Federation.
- Sports Event Operations Assistant (Venue* Safety & Spectator Management)
Ricoh Arena, Coventry, United Kingdom
2009–2011

List any governance or board training.

- ISDE Sport Management Programme, Madrid, Spain (2025–2026) – Training in sports governance, leadership, strategic management, international sports administration and organizational development.
- * GLOBE Leaders Programme, Coventry, United Kingdom (2009) – Leadership and professional development programme.
- * Training and practical experience in sports governance through roles within the Libyan Boxing Federation, including executive administration, decision-making processes and management of sports programmes.
- * Experience participating in international sports meetings and governance structures through involvement with continental boxing bodies.

List any professional memberships or licences.

- * International Boxing Referee Licence – International Boxing Association (IBA), since 2022.
- * Member of the Referees and Judges Committee – Arab Boxing Federation.
- * Chairman of the Referees and Judges Committee – Libyan Boxing Federation (2017–2024).
- * Secretary General – Libyan Boxing Federation.
- * Member of the Sports and Competition Committee – African Boxing Confederation.
- * Professional membership and experience in international sports administration and governance through participation in boxing and sports organizations.

Explain how your background will help you in this role.

My background combines extensive experience in sports administration, boxing governance, international cooperation and technical officiating. As Secretary General of the Libyan Boxing Federation, an International Boxing Referee since 2022, former Chairman of the Referees and Judges Committee of the Libyan Boxing Federation, and Member of the Sports and Competition Committee of the African Boxing Confederation, I have gained practical experience in managing boxing programmes, competitions and governance processes.

In addition, my professional experience as Director of the International Cooperation Department at the Libyan Authority for Scientific Research, together with my academic background in project management and sports management, has strengthened my skills in strategic planning, international relations, organizational development and stakeholder engagement.

This combination of technical boxing knowledge, administrative leadership and international experience will enable me to contribute effectively to World Boxing's development, support good governance, promote transparency, and help strengthen cooperation among Member Federations.

Section 6 –Boxing and sport experience

This section asks about your experience in boxing and insport. Your answers will help Members assess your knowledge of the sport and how your experience supports your ability to contribute to WorldBoxing.

Your experience in boxing

I have extensive experience in boxing as an athlete, international referee and sports administrator. I practiced amateur boxing from 2009 to 2014, gaining practical knowledge of boxing techniques, athletes'

development and the training environment.

Since 2013, I have been an International Boxing Referee, with experience in applying international boxing rules and officiating competitions. I served as Chairman of the Referees and Judges Committee of the Libyan Boxing Federation from 2017 to 2024, contributing to referee development, technical supervision and competition management.

Currently, I serve as Secretary General of the Libyan Boxing Federation, where I am involved in the administration, strategic planning and development of boxing programmes. I am also a Member of the Sports and Competition Committee of the African Boxing Confederation, contributing to the development of boxing at the continental level.

My experience across athlete development, technical officiating and boxing governance provides me with a comprehensive understanding of the sport and enables me to contribute effectively to the future development of World Boxing.

Your experience in sport

I have extensive experience in sports administration, governance and international cooperation. Through my role as Secretary General of the Libyan Boxing Federation, I have been involved in strategic planning, sports programme development, competition management and the representation of the federation at national and international levels.

I also serve as a Member of the Sports and Competition Committee of the African Boxing Confederation, contributing to the development of boxing competitions and sports governance at the continental level.

My professional background as Director of the International Cooperation Department at the Libyan Authority for Scientific Research has strengthened my skills in institutional management, international relations, partnership development and coordination with various organizations.

In addition, my academic training in sport management and leadership, combined with my experience in international sports events and organizations, has provided me with a broad understanding of sports administration and the ability to contribute effectively to the development of international sport.

Your knowledge of international sport.

I have developed strong knowledge of international sport through my experience in sports administration, international cooperation and participation in global and continental boxing activities.

As Secretary General of the Libyan Boxing Federation and Member of the Sports and Competition Committee of the African Boxing Confederation, I have gained experience in international boxing structures, competition regulations, athlete development programmes and cooperation between national federations.

My role as Director of the International Cooperation Department at the Libyan Authority for Scientific Research has also provided me with extensive experience in managing international partnerships, institutional cooperation and communication with international organizations.

Through my participation in international sporting events, referee activities, sports management training and cooperation with international bodies, I have developed an understanding of international sports governance, Olympic values, transparency, integrity and the importance of collaboration among sports organizations.

My knowledge of international sport enables me to contribute effectively to the mission and development of World Boxing.

Your experience at events

I have extensive experience participating in and managing boxing and international sporting events in different capacities, including athlete, international referee, technical official and sports administrator.

As an International Boxing Referee since 2019, I have officiated boxing competitions and gained practical experience in applying competition rules, technical procedures and event standards.

Through my role as Secretary General of the Libyan Boxing Federation, I have been involved in planning, organizing and coordinating national and international boxing events, including athlete participation, logistics, technical arrangements and communication with organizing bodies.

I have also participated in international boxing championships and sports events, gaining experience in event operations, coordination among stakeholders and ensuring professional delivery of sporting activities.

My combined experience in technical officiating, event management and sports administration enables me to contribute effectively to the successful organization and development of international boxing events.

Explain how this experience helps you in this role.

My experience across boxing, sports administration, international events and governance provides me with a comprehensive understanding of the needs and challenges facing national federations, athletes, officials and organizers.

My background as an International Boxing Referee, Secretary General of the Libyan Boxing Federation, and Member of the Sports and Competition Committee of the African Boxing Confederation has given me practical knowledge of competition management, technical standards, decision-making processes and the importance of fair and transparent governance.

My professional experience in international cooperation has also strengthened my ability to build partnerships, communicate with diverse stakeholders and contribute to strategic planning.

This combination of technical, administrative and international experience enables me to make informed decisions, represent the interests of Member Federations and contribute effectively to the continued development and success of World Boxing.

Section 7 –Governance experience and capability

Good governance is important to ensure that World Boxing is well managed, makes sound decisions and acts in the best interests of the sport. The questions below help show your experience and ability to contribute to this.

List your board or committee roles including with World Boxing

- * Secretary General, Libyan Boxing Federation – Current role.
- * Member, Sports and Competition Committee, African Boxing Confederation – Current role.
- * Chairman, Referees and Judges Committee, Libyan Boxing Federation – 2017–2024.

Areas of knowledge or expertise (tick as many as apply or None)

Strategic planning

Governance

Finance and budgeting

Policy development

Stakeholder engagement

Risk management

Operations

Legal and compliance

Communications

Technology and digital transformation

Give examples of your governance work if applicable, including a difficult decision you have had to deal

with:

Governance example 1

Improving the organization and governance of boxing competitions, including ensuring compliance with regulations, clear responsibilities between committees, and transparent decision-making processes.

As Secretary General of the Libyan Boxing Federation, I was responsible for supporting the administrative process, coordinating between relevant committees, and ensuring that decisions were aligned with federation regulations and the interests of the sport.

I reviewed existing procedures, coordinated communication between stakeholders, followed up on implementation plans, and supported decisions based on regulations, fairness and transparency. I also worked to improve documentation and administrative coordination.

The process resulted in clearer administrative procedures, improved coordination between stakeholders, and more effective management of boxing activities and competitions.

Governance example 2

Developing international cooperation and strengthening the relationship between the Libyan Boxing Federation and international sports organizations to support the development of boxing programmes and participation in international events.

As Secretary General of the Libyan Boxing Federation, I was responsible for coordinating international communication, managing administrative procedures and supporting the federation's participation in international activities.

I established communication with international partners, followed up on official correspondence, coordinated participation requirements, ensured compliance with regulations, and supported the preparation of administrative and logistical arrangements for international events.

The process improved the federation's international relations, facilitated participation in international competitions, and strengthened cooperation with external sports organizations.

Governance vs Operations

Governance is about setting the vision, strategy, policies and principles that guide an organization. It involves making informed decisions, ensuring accountability, monitoring performance and acting in the best interests of the sport and its stakeholders.

Operations are about implementing those decisions and managing the daily activities required to achieve the organization's objectives, such as running programmes, organizing events and managing administrative tasks.

In a governance role, I would focus on providing strategic leadership, ensuring transparency, integrity and compliance with regulations, while working collaboratively with Members and stakeholders to make balanced and effective decisions.

I believe a good leader should listen to different perspectives, use evidence-based decision-making, respect governance processes and ensure that decisions serve the long-term development of boxing.

My experience as Secretary General of the Libyan Boxing Federation, Member of the African Boxing Confederation Sports and Competition Committee, and my background in international cooperation have helped me understand the importance of maintaining a clear separation between strategic governance responsibilities and operational execution.

Describe what you think this role involves:

a. What the main responsibilities are:

The main responsibilities of this role are to provide strategic leadership, contribute to the development of World Boxing's vision and policies, ensure good governance, support the growth of boxing worldwide, and

represent the interests of Member Federations, athletes and stakeholders.

b. What you would need to do at meetings:

At meetings, I would actively participate in discussions, review reports and proposals, provide informed opinions, ask relevant questions, contribute to decision-making and ensure that decisions are aligned with the organization's objectives, regulations and values.

c. How you would work with other board or committee members:

I would work collaboratively with other Board or Committee members through respect, transparency, open communication and shared responsibility. I would value different perspectives, encourage constructive discussion and focus on achieving the best outcomes for boxing.

d. How you would deal with difficult decisions:

I would approach difficult decisions by gathering relevant information, considering different viewpoints, reviewing regulations and assessing the long-term impact on the sport. I would make decisions based on integrity, fairness, transparency and the best interests of World Boxing.

Section 8 –Motivation for nomination

This section asks why you are seeking this role and what you would bring to World Boxing. Your answers will help Members assess your motivation, judgement and ability to contribute to the leadership of World Boxing.

Why do you want this role?

I want this role because I believe my experience in boxing, sports governance, international relations and administration can contribute positively to the future development of World Boxing.

Throughout my career, I have worked to support the growth of boxing through my roles as an International Boxing Referee, Secretary General of the Libyan Boxing Federation, and Member of the Sports and Competition Committee of the African Boxing Confederation.

I am motivated by the opportunity to serve the international boxing community, strengthen cooperation among Member Federations, promote good governance and contribute to building a sustainable future for the sport.

What will you contribute?

I will contribute a combination of practical boxing experience, international sports knowledge, governance expertise and a strong commitment to the development of World Boxing.

Through my experience as an International Boxing Referee since 2013, Secretary General of the Libyan Boxing Federation, former Chairman of the Referees and Judges Committee of the Libyan Boxing Federation, and Member of the Sports and Competition Committee of the African Boxing Confederation, I have developed a broad understanding of boxing from the athlete, technical, administrative and governance perspectives.

I will contribute strategic thinking, effective decision-making, transparency, integrity and a collaborative approach. I believe in listening to Member Federations, respecting different perspectives and working collectively to find solutions that serve the best interests of boxing.

My professional background in international cooperation and institutional management has also provided me with skills in building partnerships, communication and supporting organizational development.

I am committed to contributing to strong governance, sustainable growth, athlete development and strengthening the global boxing community through the values of fairness, respect and excellence.

What experience or judgement do you bring

I bring a combination of practical boxing experience, international sports knowledge, governance experience and sound decision-making skills developed through different leadership roles.

As an International Boxing Referee since 2013, Secretary General of the Libyan Boxing Federation, former Chairman of the Referees and Judges Committee of the Libyan Boxing Federation, and Member of the Sports and Competition Committee of the African Boxing Confederation, I have gained experience in technical matters, competition management, regulations and sports governance.

My professional background in international cooperation and institutional management has strengthened my ability to analyse situations, communicate with different stakeholders, build partnerships and make balanced decisions based on transparency, integrity and the best interests of the sport.

I bring the judgement of someone who understands boxing from multiple perspectives: as a practitioner, technical official, administrator and international sports representative. I believe this enables me to contribute constructively to World Boxing's leadership and future development.

Section 9 –Candidate statement

This is your principal statement in support of your campaign for election. This will be published as you write it. It will not be edited. You are responsible for its content. If you have used AI tools or other external assistance in preparing this statement, you must disclose this so that Members can make an informed assessment of your candidature. Failure to disclose the use of AI tools, or presenting AI-generated content as your own, may constitute a breach of the World Boxing Code of Ethics and may result in action being taken under the World Boxing Rules and Policies.

Candidate statement

I am honored to present my candidature for a leadership role within World Boxing. Throughout my career, I have dedicated myself to the development of boxing, sports governance and international cooperation.

My journey in boxing has given me experience from different perspectives. I started as an amateur boxer, then became an International Boxing Referee in 2013, served as Chairman of the Referees and Judges Committee of the Libyan Boxing Federation from 2017 to 2024, and currently serve as Secretary General of the Libyan Boxing Federation. I also have the privilege of serving as a Member of the Sports and Competition Committee of the African Boxing Confederation.

These experiences have provided me with a deep understanding of the challenges faced by athletes, officials, national federations and sports organizations. I have learned that successful sports development requires strong governance, transparency, integrity, effective communication and cooperation among all stakeholders.

My professional background as Director of the International Cooperation Department at the Libyan Authority for Scientific Research, combined with my education and training in sports management and leadership, has strengthened my ability to build partnerships, manage complex processes and contribute to strategic decision-making.

If elected, my priority will be to support the continued growth and credibility of World Boxing, strengthen cooperation between Member Federations, promote good governance and help create better opportunities for athletes and officials worldwide.

I believe in inclusive leadership, listening to different perspectives and making decisions based on fairness, integrity and the long-term interests of boxing. I am committed to serving the global boxing community and contributing positively to the future success of World Boxing.

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