



# Board Election Nominations

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# **Arms Control Center Scientists Working Group on Biological and Chemical Weapons**

## **Background**

- Based in USA.
- Formerly affiliated with the Federation of American Scientists (FAS).
- Long-standing active interest in BW disarmament; initiator of many ideas taken up in diplomatic negotiations.
- Founding member of the BWPP.
- Has contributed two BWPP Occasional Papers on international infectious disease monitoring, detection and response.
- URL <<http://www.armscontrolcenter.org/cbw/>>.

## **Motivation to stand for election**

- Wishes to continue to actively contribute its expertise to the BWPP in its formative stages.

## **Endorsements**

- None sought in the belief that it is not proper to seek endorsements from other Network members as present member of the BWPP Board of Directors.

# **British American Security Information Council (BASIC)**

## **Background**

- Based in UK and USA
- Progressive and independent analysis and advocacy organization in the field of global security, armaments and disarmament.
- Initiated research and advocacy with regard to BW disarmament in 2001.
- Strives to increase public awareness about the BW proliferation threat in Europe and North America.
- Currently develops educational materials with regard to the risks associated with BW and bio-terrorism for the general public, media, civil emergency planners and first responders.
- Founding member of the BWPP.
- URL <<http://www.basicint.org/>>

## **Motivation to stand for election**

- Wishes to continue its involvement in the further development of the BWPP.
- Contribution of experience in the day-to-day running of an NGO.
- Experience in facilitating cooperative networks.

## **Endorsements**

- Verification Research, Training and Information Centre (VERTIC).

# **Institute for Security Studies (ISS)**

## **Background**

- Based in South Africa.
- Non-profit policy research organization, with activities in monitoring, training, and capacity-building on issues related to human security in Africa.
- Undertakes research, policy development, and awareness raising in various arms control and disarmament issues, including chemical and biological weapons.
- Member of the BWPP Global Network since 2004 and has supported BWPP activities in South Africa since June 2003.
- Provides administrative support for the BWPP Global Network Coordinator, who is based in South Africa.
- Will devote a special issue of the ISS quarterly journal African Security Review to the topic of bioweapons prevention (March 2005).
- URL <<http://www.iss.org.za/>>.

## **Motivation to stand for election**

- Contribution to the BWPP development by providing a perspective on arms control and disarmament from the developing world in general and Africa in particular.
- Continued active support for the BWPP Global Network through seminars, topical publications, media engagement, etc.

## **Endorsements**

- International Physicians for the Prevention of Nuclear War (IPPNW), Zambia
- South African History Archive (SAHA), South Africa
- Economists Allied for Arms Reduction - South Africa (ECAAR - ZA), South Africa

# South African History Archive (SAHA)

## Background

- Established in 1988
- Runs a Freedom of Information Programme since 2001 based on South Africa's constitutional right to access to information.
- Interest in uncovering information regarding unconventional weapons, including chemical and biological weapons.
- Attempts to recover CBW-relevant records from the Truth and Reconciliation Commission.
- URL <<http://www.wits.ac.za/saha>>

## Motivation to stand for election

- Contribute its experience regarding requests for information and networking in this area to a global organization.

## Endorsements

- Institute for Security Studies, South Africa