

BOARD CANDIDATE NOMINATION FORM - EQUINET AGM ELECTIONS 2017

Please return this form to:

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Deadline for nominations: 13th September 2017

Name of the Equality Body	PUBLIC DEFENDER OF RIGHTS
Country:	CZECH REPUBLIC
Name of Candidate: (First name SURNAME)	PETR POLÁK
Position in the Member organisation:	Head of the Division of Equal Treatment
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Year of joining Member Organisation in your country:	2010

Please note that a candidacy form will only be valid with page 2 (overleaf) fully completed and accompanied by a CV/profile in English. Please hand-sign and date the form below.

The Secretariat will also need to receive a picture of the candidate (see page 4 of Elections guide).

Your CV/profile may contain only information that you deem relevant to the position of Board Member (e.g. professional experience) and is **NOT** required to include personal data (e.g. date of birth, personal address)

Date:

12th September 2017

Signature of the candidate:



Signature of the Head of the Organisation in case different from the candidate:

Mr. Pavel Pořízek, Head of the Office of the Public Defender of Rights



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My motivation for becoming a member of the Equinet Executive Board: *(please explain why you would like to sit on the Equinet Executive Board)*

Equinet is celebrating its 10th anniversary. It seems that Equinet had very successful decade. Satisfaction among members and relevant stakeholders remains very high, network enjoys high level of credibility within the EU system and volume of activities is stable. My first two years on the Executive Board were period of learning the basics and representing Equinet at international level (EU, UN, Council of Europe) always with great honour.

Is my wish to sit on the Executive Board 2017 – 2019 so called “safe choice”? Definitely not. We are going through the period of narrative challenge. We need to keep working on high visibility of network, work of equality bodies and highlighting value of equality. It needs great amount of energy and commitment.

Is there any room for improvement? Definitely yes.

Next year Equinet will adopt new Strategic Plan. We need to keep network fresh and work on deepening our relationships. We shall bring big data and individual stories to eyes of politicians, media and public. We shall address greater complexity that came with our success. My 5 main priorities are as follows:

- Help Equinet members to litigate at national level on strategic issues (“individual cases”)
- Establish permanent Working Group on Research and Data Collection (“big data”)
- Launch Equinet Academy with fixed amount of regular seminars and trainings on highly demanded topics (“building capacity of network sustainably”)
- Fight strongly for Standards of Equality Bodies with clear vision (“top political level - EC Recommendation”)
- Adopt transparent policy on public statement positioning (“embracing vari-speed Europe”)

Additional note or other relevant information relating to your application (if any):

The text boxes are expandable

Please note that your candidacy information will be made available to Members prior to the AGM and access to this information will be restricted to Equinet Members only.