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DRBF Practice Guide: Selection and Appointment of Dispute Board Members

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SELECTION CRITERIA

- What are the <u>qualifications</u>, <u>experience</u> and <u>personal attributes</u> required for appointment as a DB member.
- Other relevant criteria to be considered, including <u>availability</u> and <u>language skills</u>.
- Additional selection criteria are applicable for <u>DB Chair</u> and <u>Single-Person</u> DB appointments.



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ESSENTIAL QUALITIES for DB MEMBERS

- Impartiality
- Independence
- No <u>conflicts of interest</u> (either actual or as it might appear to an objective observer).
- Full and open disclosure is always required.
- <u>Ethical conduct</u> (see DRBF Code of Conduct).



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EXTRA CRITERIA MAY APPLY

- DBs for specialist work, e.g. underground or marine projects.
- DBs for projects involving the installation and commissioning of complex systems, e.g. mechanical / electrical work, IT facilities.
- DBs for projects involving a specialised technology, e.g. nuclear power plants, defence installations.



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MECHANISMS FOR DB MEMBER SELECTION

- Joint Selection by the Parties.
- Nomination by each Party.
- Pre-approved Lists or Panels of DB Candidates.
- Recourse to a third-party Nominating Body.
- Calls for Expressions of Interest.
- Candidate Interviews.



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