

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

23 January 2024

Dear Parents, Alumni and Friends of UNIS,

I am pleased to announce that the UNIS Board of Trustees is launching the application process to fill expected vacancies on the Board as of the beginning of the school year 2024-2025.

As the ultimate governing authority of the School, the Board of Trustees establishes policy and focuses on long-range and strategic issues, ensuring that UNIS stays true to its mission. The Board, composed of a maximum of 18 members, is responsible for UNIS' long-term financial health and sustainability, and as such approves the budget, large financial commitments, and investment strategy. Members of the Board are appointed by the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

Most of the Board's work is carried out through its various committees, composed of trustees, representatives of the School administration, UNIS community and other individuals with special expertise. Board members are expected to join at least two of the Board committees. Please refer to the UNIS Website for the current list of Board members (www.unis.org/about-unis/governance). The full Board typically meets ten times a year, with committees working on a similar schedule. More information on the work of the Board and its committees can be found on the Board page on the UNIS intranet, accessible to the UNIS community.

According to the UNIS By-Laws, a majority of the members of the Board shall be parents of current students, at least one should be a UNIS alumnus, and the Board shall include one member of eminence in the field of education not directly associated with the School. Generally, the Board should not have more than six members of the same nationality.

Board members are an integral part of the UNIS community, particularly as many are parents of present or past students. We are seeking candidates for Board membership interested in actively participating in the life of UNIS and who wish to give their time and energy in furthering the UNIS vision of "a better world". For this application process, we especially welcome candidates from the United Nations or related agencies. We continue to encourage applications from the UNIS alumni community, including from younger generations. We need the Board to benefit from a wide range of professional expertise, and presently we would be especially interested in candidates with a background in health, including mental health; legal affairs; architecture or spatial planning; education and pedagogy, and technology in the service of learning. The Secretary-General has clearly indicated he wishes to see wide

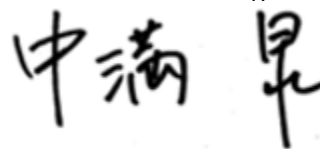
geographical diversity on the Board. The Board is strongly committed to achieve this and supports diversity in the broadest sense of the word, including nationality, race, sexual orientation, gender, culture and religion.

We invite parents, alumni, and friends of UNIS to apply or encourage someone you think would be suitable for the Board to submit an application. Please refer to the Board responsibilities and the commitment required by trustees during the terms of service(<https://www.unis.org/fs/board>). Applications should be submitted online (www.unis.org/about-unis/governance/unis-bot-application) to the Office of the Special Representative of the Secretary-General for UNIS, no later than 4 March 2024. If you have any questions, please send an email to unis-srsg@un.org.

The Board's Committee on Trustees will undertake a review of all applications, contact the candidates and, after an initial assessment, invite short-listed candidates for an interview. Subsequently, the Committee will make its recommendations to the full Board of Trustees for consideration and, ultimately, to the Secretary-General of the United Nations for appointment.

We take this opportunity to extend our best wishes to you and your family and to thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of three Chinese characters: 中 (middle), 滿 (full), and 泉 (spring). The signature is written in a fluid, cursive style.

Izumi Nakamitsu
Chair, UNIS Board of Trustees