Position: Board Director (Independent)

Location: Ottawa, Ontario
Compensation: Expenses for travel
Sector: Information and Communications Technology (ICT)
Organization Size: Approx. $10M, 50+ employees
Organizational Type: Not-for-profit
Time Commitment: 4-6 hours/month + four meetings/year
Term of Office: Up to three two-year terms
Accountability: Board Chair, Members and Funders

MISSION AND VISION:

CENGN is Canada’s Centre of Excellence in Next Generation Networks. Our mission is to drive technology innovation and industry growth through our test bed, technical expertise, talent development, and partner ecosystem, to enable economic strength and prosperity as well as innovation and competitiveness for Canada in the high-growth global multi-trillion dollar Information and Communications Technology (ICT) industry.

CENGN collaborates with national and global technology leaders, the public sector, and academic partners, to solidify Canada’s leadership in next generation networks for the benefit of all Canadians. Our members and partners are a crucial part of CENGN’s operation, providing us with the technologies and support needed to enable our service offerings to Canadian small and medium enterprises (SMEs).

By providing Canadian SMEs with the infrastructure and expertise required to test their products, these growing businesses can overcome commercialization barriers. CENGN provides SMEs with full support of the development, validation, and exposure of their innovative solutions. CENGN also develops talent through co-op and internship opportunities as well as training offerings for professionals.

CENGN’s ecosystem includes members Bell Canada, Cisco, EXFO, Juniper Networks, Kandy Solutions, Mitel, Nokia, Ribbon Communications, TELUS, University of Ottawa, and Wind River. CENGN also partners with the Federal government through the Networks of Centres of Excellence (NCE) and the Ontario government through the Ontario Centres of Innovation (OCI).

CENGN’s Board of Directors reflect the organization’s core values:

- Passion for our mission and empowered to make an impact
- Integrity in an open, agile, and collaborative environment
- Accountable and customer focused with a commitment to exceeding expectations
- Flexible and diverse work environment with a sense of belonging
Each Board Director works in partnership with other Directors, senior management and key stakeholders to advance CENGN’s mission and vision from a strategic and governance perspective.

For more information, please visit https://www.cengn.ca/

View our current Board of Directors https://www.cengn.ca/about-us/board-of-directors/

**Required Expertise and Competency Being Sought:**
Adding to the current Board, in the following areas:
- Federal or Provincial government relations
- Pan-Canadian geographical representation
- Pan Canadian or international experience in ICT Sector
- Audit Committee experience
- Legal and regulatory experience
- Corporate governance
- Risk management
- Human Resources and talent development
- Change Management
- Professional Services experience

**Each Board Candidate should be able to demonstrate:**
- An understanding and commitment to CENGN’s mission, vision and values
- The ability to engage stakeholder support
- An ability to work collaboratively and respectfully with the Board and senior management
- An ability and willingness to commit the necessary time to prepare for, attend, and conscientiously participate in Board & Committee meetings, AGM and other events (such as the annual CENGN Summit, annual Strategy session, etc.)
- A commitment to high ethical standards and behaviour

**Responsibilities:**
- Oversight of the mission and purpose of CENGN understanding their programs and policies
- In support of and aligned with the strategic plan of the Corporation, serve as active advocates and ambassadors for the organization and fully engage in identifying the financial resources and partnerships necessary for the organization to advance its mission
- Strategic and organizational planning with the leadership team at CENGN
- Ensuring strong fiduciary oversight and financial management
- Leverage connections, networks, and resources to develop collective action to fully achieve the organization’s mission
- Advise on talent development
- Participate fully in one or more committees [Executive, Governance & Nomination, Audit & Finance]
- Make an effort to get to know other Board Directors and senior management
• Abide by the By-laws, Code of Conduct, Conflict of Interest and other policies that apply to the Board
• Participate in the evaluation of the board itself (annual board self-evaluation)

Application Process: To explore this dynamic Board of Directors opportunity, please submit an expression of interest and your resume via email to “Governance & Nomination Committee” at boardrecruitment@cengn.ca by May 31, 2021. We look forward to exploring your candidacy.

CENGN recognizes and embraces the unique value and the benefits of equity, diversity and inclusion in our Board of Directors. CENGN’s commitment to accelerating action on EDI is also demonstrated by the organization having joined the Federal government’s 50-30 challenge.