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**Call for Expression of Interest in Chair vacancies of WUN AAG, Coordinators and Global Challenge Groups**

Dear Colleagues,

As we approach the WUN Conferences and AGM in Perth 20-25 May, I invite expressions of interest or nominations for vacancies in WUN Chair positions:

1. **Academic Advisory Group:** David Hogg completes his term – **a new Chair and Vice Chair will be elected for 2018-20**
2. **Responding to Climate Change:** Peter Smith will complete his service – **a new Chair and Vice Chair will be elected for 2018-20**
3. **Public Health:** Ngairé Kerse (Chair) and Mark Hanson (Vice Chair) continue to 2020
4. **Global Higher Education and Research:** Caroline Dyer (Chair) continues to 2020 – **a new Vice Chair will be elected from 2018-20**
5. **Understanding Cultures:** Tor Saetersdal (Chair) and Ann Singleton (Vice Chair) continue to 2020.
6. **Global Africa Group:** David Mickler and Maano Ramutsindela (Co-Chairs) continue to 2020.
7. **Global China Group:** Fanny Cheung and John Hearn (Co-Chairs) continue to 2020.
8. **Global Policy Research Group:** Yianchun Liu and John Hearn (Co-Chairs) continue to 2020. **A new Vice Chair will be elected 2018-20**  
(Xu Qinhuā, Grace Liu and one other would serve as Secretariat – with Coordinator support)
9. **Coordinators Group:** Susie Jim (Chair) and Deborah McAllister (Vice Chair) continue to 2020.

**Notes:**

Please send expressions of interest or nominations for the six positions shown above, to me at [john.hearn@sydney.edu.au](mailto:john.hearn@sydney.edu.au) before 20 May 2018. There may also be nominations arising from the meetings in Perth on 23-24 May.

Please note that I am asked to take a slate of Chairs and Vice Chairs to the Partnership Board that is balanced in geography and gender, so the process is not just a simple case of nomination and election within Group meetings, although those nominations are welcome and can be sent to me.

Each of our Groups has one or more Coordinators as support. This is essential to success, and a matter for the Coordinators meeting 24 May in Perth.

I thank all those who have served terms as WUN Chairs and those who nominate for these positions, which are vital for the success of WUN.

Best wishes,

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