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Greetings from the 2026 Nominating Committee



The 2026 Nominating Committee welcomes suggestions from the FFI membership for nominees for Board of Director positions. These terms will begin immediately following the Annual Meeting in November 2026 and will conclude as of the Annual Meeting in 2030. Also included is a video from Nominating Committee Chair, Rania Labaki.

The 2026 Nominating Committee is seeking suggestions from the FFI membership for potential board nominees. Suggested nominees should reflect the diverse professional background and global geography of the field. Special consideration will be given to suggested nominees with demonstrated knowledge or experience in one or more of the following areas:

- Operational and strategic experience in digital communications, including the use of AI applications.
- Raising long-term capital to further create or develop FFI products and activities in the next five years.
- Promoting and influencing enrollment in online learning programs, including FFI's GEN program with ability to provide group enrollments in the GEN program.
- Participation in non-profit boards, not necessarily in the family enterprise field.
- Thought leadership and practical experience in the family enterprise field, particularly individuals who have entered the field in the last five years.
- Research and/or advising experience in Africa, Australia, and Latin America.

In all cases, the Nominating Committee is seeking individuals who are enthusiastic about FFI's multi-disciplinary and cross-cultural approach to the field as articulated in the mission statement:

"... to be the most influential global community of thought leaders in the field of family enterprise. We foster and publish research, offer educational programs, and share knowledge to develop a professional association of multi-generational family enterprise advisors, consultants, and educators."

Nominees are not required to be current members of FFI. Members also should feel free to suggest themselves as well as others for consideration by the Committee. Names should be submitted using the online form by **11:59 p.m. Eastern Time on April 25, 2026**.

SUBMIT A NOMINATION

The Nominating Committee will then review all suggestions from the members, along with the results of its own deliberations, to develop a list of potential candidates for interview by the Committee. Nominees will be chosen in June, and the election will take place by electronic balloting beginning in late August or early September.

THANKS TO THIS YEAR'S NOMINATING COMMITTEE



Rania Labaki, *chair*



Patricia Annino



Ricardo Mejia



Wanja Michuki



Linda Murphy



Debbie Bing,
ex-officio

A Message from Committee Chair



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In this week's issue we are pleased to bring you an update from FFI board chair Debbie Bing, following the FFI board retreat last week in New York.

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DATES TO REMEMBER

May 1

Applications for FFI GEN Scholarships

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May 1

FFI Achievement Award Nominations

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May 30

Enrollment Deadline for Q2 2026 GEN Certificate Programs

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June 2

Regional Reception in Boston

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