

# Non-Executive Board Member



**Position Title:** Non-Executive Board Member – Voluntary

**Organization:** Science for Wildlife

**Location:** Remote, occasional meetings in person in Sydney or the Blue Mountains

## Job Summary

Science for Wildlife is seeking a passionate and dedicated individual to join our Board of Directors. By offering your strategic guidance and expertise, you will contribute to meaningful, science-based conservation efforts that have a lasting impact.

## Key Selling Points

- A rewarding opportunity to contribute to a cause that aligns with your values and interests.
- Become part of a highly skilled team with a variety of expertise and a positive Board culture
- Contribute to addressing the major threats of climate change and biodiversity loss

## Job Description

You will play a key role in helping to drive our mission to create and share scientific knowledge to empower wildlife conservation. To achieve our goals, we are agile and creative and we work in genuine collaboration with communities and land managers to ensure conservation outcomes on the ground, where it counts. If you have a passion for conservation and want to make a real difference, we invite you to join us for this exciting and rewarding opportunity. Together, we can conserve our wildlife and the places we all call home.

As a voluntary board member, you will play a crucial role in providing strategic leadership, governance, and oversight for Science for Wildlife. The Board of Directors is responsible for ensuring the organisation achieves its mission while remaining financially sustainable and operationally effective. Board members work collaboratively with other members, staff, and stakeholders to drive positive outcomes for wildlife conservation.

The position can be remotely based, the ability to attend occasional in-person meetings in Sydney or the Blue Mountains is preferred but not essential.

## Key Responsibilities

**Governance & Oversight:** Provide strategic direction, ensure good governance practices, and uphold the organization's values and mission.

**Financial Oversight:** Review and approve financial statements and budgets; assist in fundraising efforts and securing resources for the organisation.

**Policy & Strategy:** Contribute to the development of the organization's strategic plans and policies to ensure continued alignment with its mission and goals.

**Advocacy & Outreach:** Act as an ambassador for Science for Wildlife, advocating for the organisation's goals within the wider community and your professional networks.

**Collaboration & Support:** Work with fellow board members, the Executive Director, and staff to support effective decision-making and the smooth operation of the organization.

**Fundraising & Resource Development:** Help identify potential funding sources, including grants, partnerships, and donations, and support fundraising initiatives.

**Strategy:** Ensure that programs and initiatives align with strategic goals

## What we're looking for:

**Passion for Conservation:** A strong personal commitment to wildlife and biodiversity conservation

**Relevant Experience:** Previous experience in governance or serving on a nonprofit board is preferred but not essential. Experience in fields such as conservation science, environmental policy, science communication, nonprofit management, fundraising, or public relations is highly valued. If you have other skills that you believe our organisation can benefit from, then we're happy to hear from you.

**Fundraising & Networks:** Proven ability to support or engage in fundraising efforts and an established network that can be leveraged for the organisation's benefit is highly desirable.

**Strategic Thinking:** Ability to think strategically and contribute to the long-term goals of the organization.

**Teamwork & Collaboration:** Strong interpersonal skills and the ability to work collaboratively with a diverse group of people.

**Financial Acumen:** Ability to understand financial documents and participate in discussions related to the financial health of the organization.

**Commitment:** A commitment to attending Board meetings and dedicating time to the Board's work.

Having recently passed our 10th anniversary we are undertaking a strategic Board transition; the position of Chair of the Board can be discussed with the right candidate.

The Board meets quarterly for approximately 2-2.5hrs per meeting, and attends occasional additional meetings, strategic workshops and out of session discussions.

**To apply: please email your CV and a brief cover letter outlining how you see yourself contributing to our Board and organisation, to [info@scienceforwildlife.org](mailto:info@scienceforwildlife.org)**

*Applications close on 30 April 2025*

***Thank you for your interest in supporting us to deliver our mission to create and share knowledge to empower wildlife conservation.***