



## Chair and 2 new Trustees

### Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew

Kew has a world-class reputation for its scientific research into plants and fungi and for its living and preserved collections which are unique in their global scope and coverage. It is also an important attraction for the public.

We are now looking to recruit a new Chairman of the Board and two new Trustees to develop the strategy of the organisation, oversee our activities and achieve maximum impact from our resources.

The Chair is personally responsible to the Secretary of State and provides leadership on formulating the Board's strategy, encouraging high standards of propriety and promoting the efficient use of staff and other resources throughout the Kew organisation. You will also have a commitment to effective fund-raising and income-generation, and the ability to represent Kew's activity and interests at national and international level.

The role of Trustees encompasses exercising independent oversight of Kew's activities in meeting its aim of inspiring and delivering science-based plant conservation worldwide. You will also ensure that high standards of corporate governance are observed and oversee the delivery of planned results.

For both roles, you will have a commitment to and interest in aspects of conservation, biodiversity and/or plant biology. You will also have an understanding of the knowledge and expertise necessary to run a high quality research organisation or world famous visitor attraction, together with strong interpersonal and collaborative skills with the ability to work with a wide range of stakeholders.

The time commitment is around 10-12 days each year to attend Board and other meetings. Whilst there is no remuneration, essential expenses are payable.

If you think you have the qualities to contribute to the success of an outstanding organisation of international reputation, then we would like to hear from you.

**For further information and an application pack, please contact [publicappts@defra.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:publicappts@defra.gsi.gov.uk) or telephone 020 7238 1183 quoting reference PAPPT87/09.**

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