

# BSR

BRITISH SCHOOL  
AT ROME

## Trustee role on Council

Applications are invited from those interested in becoming a member of the Council of the British School at Rome (the 'BSR'), the governing body of the BSR. The BSR is keen to have a diverse and dynamic Council, and is looking for trustees from diverse communities (and in particular from minority ethnic groups) with experience of museum management/gallery curation; development and fundraising; and/or the financial and legal sectors.

## Who we are

The British School at Rome, a charitable institution, is one of the leading international academies in Rome, a dynamic centre of interdisciplinary research in the art, archaeology, history, culture and society of the western Mediterranean from the Iron Age to contemporary Italian studies, and a place where people come to make art. Its mission is to create an environment for research and artistic endeavour of international excellence and to facilitate the work of scholars, artists, architects and practitioners from the United Kingdom and Commonwealth. Based in Rome, the BSR has first class facilities, including artists' studios, a modern lecture theatre used for conferences, lectures and exhibitions and an impressive research library and archive. The BSR also has a London office based in the British Academy buildings in Carlton House Terrace.

For further information and details about how to apply, please visit our website:  
<https://bsr.ac.uk/about-us-governance/>

**The deadline for applications is Monday 5 December 2022**

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## INFORMATION FOR PROSPECTIVE TRUSTEES OF THE BRITISH SCHOOL AT ROME

Thank you for your interest in joining the Council (trustees) of the British School at Rome.

### **Introduction**

The BSR is the largest of the British International Research Institutes (BIRIs) sponsored by the British Academy, and is one of the leading international academies in Rome, a dynamic centre of interdisciplinary research in the art, archaeology, history, architecture, culture and society of the western Mediterranean from the iron age to contemporary Italian studies and a place where people come to make art. Its mission is to create an environment for research and artistic endeavour of international excellence and to facilitate the work of scholars, artists, architects and practitioners from the United Kingdom and Commonwealth. The BSR hosts academics, researchers and advanced students from a wide variety of disciplines and from many universities, museums and creative institutions, as well as architects and artists working in a range of media, including subsequent winners of the Turner Prize. The BSR is a bridge into the intellectual and cultural heart of Rome and Italy, with an important role to play in a post-Brexit environment. Based in Rome, the BSR has first-class facilities, including artists' studios, a modern lecture theatre used for conferences, lectures and exhibitions, and an impressive research library and archive. Award-holders (with residential awards of varying length, usually between three and nine months) and shorter-term visitors combine with the BSR staff to form a dynamic community of scholars and artists where the exchange of ideas across disciplines nourishes and develops the intellectual curiosity of all those involved. The BSR also has a London office based in the British Academy building in Carlton House Terrace.

### **The Council**

Further details about the Council can be found at <https://bsr.ac.uk/about-us-governance/>.

The Council is currently chaired by Mark Getty. The Chairs of the BSR's three Faculties of Archaeology, History and Letters, Architecture and Fine Arts are also *ex-officio* members of Council. The Director of the BSR, Professor Abigail Brundin, acts as the BSR's Chief Executive.

There will be at least three vacancies for new members of Council in the course of 2023. Council members may have skills or experience in academic leadership, law, governance, finance, business, museums and galleries, libraries, archives and research collections, digital, development and fund raising and publishing. An interest in the areas of activity of the BSR and in Rome and Italy would also be useful. Italian citizens and residents in Rome or elsewhere in Italy with relevant experience and skills are also encouraged to apply. To complement the existing expertise and skills of current Council members and to replace those of retiring Council members, we should be especially pleased to receive applications from those with experience in museum direction / gallery curation; and those

from the legal, financial and development/fundraising sectors, although applications are, of course, welcome from all. The BSR is committed to equal opportunities and values diversity at all levels of the school. We particularly welcome applications from people who have an interest in becoming involved with the BSR as a Council member to help us shape a progressive future for the BSR, including those from minority ethnic groups as well as those under 45 years of age, two groups which are currently under-represented on Council.

### **Time commitment**

Council normally meets six times a year for an afternoon. Most meetings are now conducted virtually, though in-person meetings may also exceptionally be held in London. One extended meeting a year is held in person in Rome. Papers for each meeting are typically sent out a week in advance of the meeting, so Council members have time to review them. There may also be some committee work and attendance at fundraising and other events. The latter is less easy to quantify in terms of time commitment but may involve a few early evening engagements. Travel to meetings is reimbursed and it is hoped that Council members will visit the BSR in Rome from time to time.

### **How to apply**

Applicants should send a CV and covering letter explaining how the applicant believes their skills and experience match the requirements of the role. Applicants should also supply the names, addresses, phone number and e-mail address of two referees, but referees will only be contacted if the applicant is shortlisted. Both should be in the form of a pdf or Word document and should be sent to [bsr@britac.ac.uk](mailto:bsr@britac.ac.uk)

### **Selection process**

Shortlisted applicants will be invited for interview by the Nominations Committee, which is a committee of Council, chaired by Christopher Prentice. Interviews will be in person or by video conference.

### **Deadline for submission of application**

**Monday 5 December 2022**



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