

International Agency for the Prevention of Blindness  
Board Nomination Committee  
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Vienna, 17<sup>th</sup> of January 2025

**Subject: Letter of intent regarding support for Dr. Geoffrey Wabulembo**

Dear Members of the IAPB board nomination committee,

I am writing to express my strong support for the nomination of Dr. Geoffrey Wabulembo to become the next IAPB Regional Chair for Africa.

Dr. Geoffrey Wabulembo has spearheaded shaping Light for the World's eye health and NTD programmes, as well as our partnership and integration approaches in the field of eye health. He has also throughout his extensive career working in Africa greatly contributed to human resource development, convening, and partnering with different stakeholders.

Dr. Wabulumbo has a strong professional background and focus on quality service delivery to improve cataract surgical outcomes. He represents Light for the World at the WHO-SPECS initiative, contributing to addressing uncorrected refractive errors on a global level.

The purpose of this letter is to confirm my own and Light for the World's full support for this important function for IAPB's work, be it in terms of allocation of time for Dr. Geoffrey Wabulembo's Chair capacity, committing sufficient funds for required travels and meetings on advocacy and capacity development, attendance at global IAPB meetings such as InSight in Nepal in 2025, and support for a possible 2026 global eye health summit.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you require any further information or have any questions.

Sincerely,

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CEO