

CEDIA[®] Board of Directors Election Guide

CEDIA 2025-2027 Board of Directors Elections & Appointments

CEDIA is the leading global trade association for smart home technology, serving more than 4,000 members and 30,000 professionals from 77 countries, and supports two world-class global trade shows: CEDIA Expo and Integrated Systems Europe.

Help influence the future of CEDIA!

As part of our mission ‘to connect, empower, and champion home technology professionals and businesses that enrich our lives’, we invite all our members to participate in our Board of Director’s Election.

CEDIA has two open seats available for the 2025-2027 term. For this term, only Integrator positions are available on the board. Employees of CEDIA member integrator companies may be nominated, will be vetted by the Governance Committee, and proposed as candidates for the global membership vote.

Non-Integrator members interested in potentially running for our board during the 2026-2028 term are recommended to visit <https://my.cedia.org/Connection/Volunteering> for current volunteer opportunities.

Eligible members will vote on the final slate of candidates. Please ensure your email address is updated so that you receive correspondence about the election process.

General Information

- Nominations and elections will be conducted electronically (you may also vote in person, by written ballot, or by proxy if required).
- To participate in the elections, you must be a CEDIA member.
 - If you have let your membership lapse, please visit our Membership Page

Overview and Term Limits:

The CEDIA Board of Directors defines the association’s vision and identifies its strategic direction. These leaders continually connect with members to ensure CEDIA’s strategic principles remain relevant and adaptable to our members’ changing needs. The membership elects the CEDIA Board of Directors. Once elected, directors serve a three-year term. Directors may not serve more than two consecutive terms or a total of six years within the past three years, though a director who has served one term is eligible to nominate for a second term.

Eligibility

- A director who has served one term is eligible to nominate for a second term. However, they cannot have served more than two (2) consecutive terms (6 years). If 2 consecutive terms have been held, a candidate must have at least three (3) years’ absence from the board before re-applying.
- A candidate who has served one term is eligible to nominate for a second term.

- Must be willing to commit 2-4 hours per week to CEDIA business.
- Must be willing to travel to in-person board meetings, including international travel (up to 3 in-person meetings take place in the US or UK).
 - ◦ Travel expenses are funded by CEDIA
- Must complete a [candidate form](#). Please note that your nominee will receive an email from us regarding your nomination of them, requesting that they fill out the form to accept candidacy.).
- May be self-nominated.
- Must be an active CEDIA member.

Attributes

Some of the attributes that we are seeking in our candidates to help us create an effective Board of Directors include (but are not limited to):

- Advocacy work (governmental or consumer/adjacent trade outreach)
 - We position the Smart Home industry as essential to homeowners, allied trades, and governments.
- Work in education (creating or teaching)
 - We develop training and resources to share knowledge and raise the bar on smart home integration best practices.
- People work – connection (community building/support)
 - We foster valuable relationships among the home technology community that facilitate growth and last a lifetime.
- Volunteer work – in CEDIA or otherwise
 - A specific desire to serve people.
- Knowledge/involvement in the home technology profession.
- Leadership qualities.
- Strategic thinking.
- Social reach/network.

Important Dates

- May 20 – June 21, 2024
 - Nominations Open
- July 2024
 - Governance Committee vets nominate candidates and conduct interviews.
- October 2024
 - Slate announced to CEDIA members and voting period opens.
 - Voting will be open for approximately two weeks.
 - An email will be sent to all CEDIA members.
- November 2024
 - Elected board members are announced.
- January 2025
 - Elected directors assume office at the first board meeting of 2024.