

Peace Brigades International (PBI) UK Trustee

About us:

Peace Brigades International (PBI) is an international NGO with over 40 years' experience providing life-saving protection and support to hundreds of brave human rights defenders who face reprisals because of their activism for social justice. PBI's trademark *protective accompaniment* teams in Colombia, Honduras, Guatemala, Mexico, Nicaragua, Indonesia, Kenya and Nepal are supported by PBI's International Headquarters in Brussels, and offices elsewhere in the world, such as our UK section, which carries out high-level advocacy for improved governmental and other support for human rights defenders, as well as stronger regulation of transnational business behaviour.

- More about our international work: <https://peacebrigades.org.uk/news/itlannualreport2021>
- More about our UK strategy: <https://peacebrigades.org.uk/news/pbi-uk-launches-new-strategy>

About the Role:

Role summary:

- To support PBI UK to develop and advance its strategy.
- To assist the Board of Trustees to understand the wider funding landscape and engage with PBI UK's position in the ecosystem, as well as support its fundraising efforts.

Main responsibilities of the Trustee:

- Supporting the strategy, implementation and evaluation of the organisation's progress.
- Contributing knowledge of professional skills and experience.
- Ensure PBI UK's work is carried out in legal, and accountable ways.
- Network on behalf of the charity to support fundraising needs.
- Be an active champion of the organisation.
- Build relationships and rapport between the Board and staff.
- Support and work together with PBI UK's other Trustees to ensure effective governance and financial oversight.

About you:

Essential	Desirable
Experience of and/or well networked within sectors relevant to UK charity fundraising and ability to leverage these networks on behalf of PBI UK. This might include funders or the legal, corporate and finance sector.	Knowledge of strategic communications, including harnessing traditional, digital and social media.
An understanding of, and interest in, UK charity governance.	Experience of diverse fundraising practices, including statutory funds. Corporate and philanthropic giving would be valuable.
An understanding of the challenges facing small to medium UK charities in maximising income streams and donor cultivation.	Balancing tact and diplomacy with willingness to challenge and constructively criticise.



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<p>Excellent networking, influencing and communication skills.</p> <p>Proven commitment to PBI UK's objectives and values, and willingness to devote time to carry out responsibilities.</p> <p>Sound, independent judgement and the ability to think creatively in the context of the organisation and external environment.</p> <p>Good communication and interpersonal skills, plus the ability to respect the confidence of colleagues.</p>	<p>Experience of public speaking on behalf of an organisation or cause.</p> <p>Proactive approach, motivated by teamwork, to grow PBI UK. Willing to mentor fellow Trustees on fundraising, networking and development approaches.</p> <p>Familiarity or willingness to learn about consensus-based decision making.</p> <p>Political awareness and familiarity with or interest in global issues relating to peace and human rights.</p> <p>Knowledge in charity governance or charity law.</p>
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Other information:

Title:	Trustee – PBI UK
Direct report:	Chair of the Board of Trustees, Board of Trustees
Commitment and location:	<p>Trustees would need to commit to a minimum of 4 hours Board work per month. The Board meets at least 3 times a year. We are committed to working flexibly and currently meet every quarter in a combination of online and in-person meetings. Meeting times are flexible, to best suit our Trustees, but online meetings usually take place in the early evening, while in-person meetings take place once a year in London. Trustees are also asked to participate in one or more standing Committees related to finance, fundraising and Board development.</p> <p>Attendance at events and at fundraising meetings is optional. However, priority may be given to applicants who are able to attend occasional other events in London without incurring expenses for accommodation. In this respect, Trustees work together and are supported by other members of the Board as well as the PBI UK team.</p>
Additional information:	Before starting the role, the Trustee will need to declare any conflicts of interest or details of any previous convictions.
Benefits:	Please note that this is a voluntary role. However, any expenses incurred in carrying out Trustee duties will be reimbursed.



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How to apply:

Please send a copy of your CV and a covering email outlining how you meet the essential and desirable criteria to admin@peacebrigades.org.uk by **March 5, 2025**. Applications will be assessed on a rolling basis.

For further information about the role or to request an informal conversation, please contact PBI UK's Director Ben Leather, at benleather@peacebrigades.org.uk.