

It is with great enthusiasm that I express my interest in continuing to serve on the CIMUSET Board for the upcoming term. Since 2019, I have had the privilege of being a board member, and from 2022 to 2025, I served as 2nd Secretary from the Executive Board of CIMUSET. Throughout this time, I have been committed to strengthening CIMUSET's mission, particularly by helping to design and implement the CIMUSET Award, which recognizes best practices in science museums contributing to sustainable development. I have remained part of the award jury since its creation. Since 2023, I have served on the scientific committees of CIMUSET's annual meetings, and I have always advocated for broader participation and representation from different regions. I am currently the only representative from the Southern Hemisphere on the Board — a position that has motivated me to amplify the voices and perspectives of science museums from underrepresented parts of the world.

I also currently serve as President of ICOM Brazil, where I am engaged in both the internal organization of the national committee and in collaboration with the ICOM Secretariat in major international events taking place in Brazil. These include the G20 in 2024 and COP30 in 2025. I have contributed particularly to developing strategies that strengthen ICOM's engagement with climate change and sustainability, causes I believe are central to the future of science museums worldwide.

My trajectory also includes active roles in the Brazilian Association of Science Centers and Museums (ABCMC) and the Network for the Popularization of Science and Technology in Latin America and the Caribbean (RedPOP), where I have long advocated for international collaboration and knowledge exchange, especially from a Global South perspective.

Professionally, I am Deputy Director for Cultural Heritage and Science Communication at the Casa de Oswaldo Cruz / Fiocruz and a professor in the Graduate Program in Science, Technology and Health Communication. I previously served as Head Officer of the Museum of Life at Fiocruz, and I have over 17 years of combined academic and practical experience in science museums.

I am passionate about the future of CIMUSET and strongly believe in the importance of a more diverse and globally representative board. If re-elected, I will remain committed to fostering inclusive dialogue, expanding international cooperation, and ensuring that science museums from all regions—especially those less represented—have a seat at the table.

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