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1. Basic information

1.1 Nominee’s name:

Camila Tapias

1.2 Title:

Global Disaster Resilience Specialist

1.3 Company:

SPIN Global

1.4 ARISE member since (specified in the ARISE welcome letter):

2017

1.5 Current ARISE Board member:

Yes, ARISE US Board member

If “Yes”:

First term

Second term

No


1.6 Network or individual member:

Network Member: My network leader has endorsed my application.

If “Network Member,” please specify [which network](#):

ARISE-US

Individual Member (i.e. no network affiliation)

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2. Curriculum Vitae

2.1 PLEASE ATTACH YOUR CV OR RESUME TO THIS SELF-NOMINATION FORM.

3. Questionnaire

3.1 Please indicate any past or present affiliations and accomplishments related to Disaster Risk Reduction / Prevention / Resilience / Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) / Environmental Social Governance (ESG) (max 200 words)

I am a leader focused on leveraging public-private partnerships, building national and international strategies to increase local capacity for disaster risk reduction, and prioritizing technology to achieve equitable outcomes. SPIN Global is a public benefit company where I lead the Business and Industry and International practice areas to shape DRR strategies. In the ARISE-US Board, I serve as the Communications Director, co-lead the Equity program, and serve as the Membership focal point. As a Colombian citizen, I bring an international perspective to U.S initiatives to achieve more equitable outcomes and build community resilience.


I have experience with the design and delivery of Department of Homeland Security (DHS) trainings and courses and shaping national disaster-oriented Private-Public Partnerships (PPPs) guidance.

I conduct assessments of community resilience, support development of emergency management plans and continuity of operations plans and develop training and exercises in English and Spanish in the Planet Ready.com platform. I currently work on a groundbreaking technology project focused on building a global community of practice around equitable decision intelligence for disaster management. I supported the development of the first world's open-source equitable decision intelligence model for emergency management.

3.2 Please specify if you have the decision-making and support capacities for ARISE within your company relating to at least one the four ARISE focus areas (SME resilience, investment, insurance, resilient infrastructure) at

a) Senior level (max 100 words each)

Yes, Joel Thomas, SPIN Global's CEO, is a committed supporter of ARISE and encouraged me to apply for the ARISE global board position. He has also committed company resources to support our engagement with ARISE. We have presented during multiple ARISE meetings and symposiums on themes regarding PPPs and private sector-led initiatives for DRR. We have attended four UN Global Platforms and have interacted with multiple ARISE network leaders. Our CEO also attended the first ARISE launch in Boston, MA. As a company, we actively encourage other private sector organizations to join ARISE.

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b) Technical level (max 100 words each)

I will serve as a technical expert on programmatic design, policymaking strategies, and equitable design and implementation of ARISE/UNDRR programs. My efforts will involve our company leadership to leverage resources, connections, and expertise to engage the private sector. For example, I was selected to speak at the III ARISE Regional Forum in my hometown Bogotá Colombia, where I will discuss the use of technology for DRR and community engagement strategies. In the past, we were also selected to speak at Geneva as part of the UNDRR Innovation Platform and discussed the Planet Ready.com platform, which is a DRR tool.


3.3 Please specify if you have the decision-making and support capacities within your company relating to other key areas such as Early Warning or Public-Private Partnership at national or local level (100 words)

Yes, SPIN Global has a wealth of expertise in developing guidance, policies, training programs, and exercises specifically tailored to foster effective disaster-oriented PPPs. Additionally, our team provides comprehensive program management support to facilitate the development of private sector-led initiatives and national guidance. We are committed to leveraging our experience and knowledge to enhance collaboration and resilience-building efforts between the public and private sectors. In addition, our CEO Joel Thomas is a NATO U.S civil expert on Early Warning and PPPs.

3.4 Indicate if your company is affiliated with / member of any other global private sector networks such as the UN Global Compact, World Economic Forum (WEF), World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD) International Chambers of Commerce (ICC), or other private sector network, including of other UN agencies (please specify) (max 100 words each)

Yes, SPIN Global is affiliated with the following:

- The Private Sector Emergency Management Association (PSEMA)
- World Business Council for Sustainable Development (WBCSD)
- US Chamber of Commerce
- World Economic Forum (WEF)

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3.5 Please list 3 goals which you would aim to achieve as Board Member of ARISE, specifically within (max 100 words)

- a) your 1st year
- b) long term

- In my first year, my goal is to lead a project aimed at increasing representation of women in DRR and encourage their active participation in ARISE. I am determined to identify avenues for empowering women, young professionals, and foster gender balance across networks.
- If appointed, I will serve as a liaison, actively engaging with network leaders to gain insights into successful initiatives and areas requiring improvement. These insights will inform my role in organizing the Annual General Meeting (AGM).
- In the long term, I aim to lead development and adoption of disaster-oriented PPP guidance, training, and exercises for ARISE members.

Note:

Please consider the responsibilities for Board members and the parameters for a Board member to be designated inactive as specified in the Board elections Standard Operating Procedure (SOP).