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## <u>Message from the President concerning the Election of President Elect of the</u> <u>International Federation of Environmental Health</u>

The President of the IFEH serves for a period of two years and is succeeded by the President Elect. I am due to end my term of office at the World Congress which is being held in Vancouver, Canada from the 5 - 8 September 2010 and I will be succeeded by the current President Elect, Robert Bradbury from the Canadian Institute of Public Health Inspectors. The Secretary of the Federation, in accordance with our Procedures Manual, recently invited nominations from all Member Organisations for the post of President Elect which will become vacant in September. As a result of this invitation three nominations have been received and they are:-

Peter Archer, nominated by the Chartered Institute of Environmental Health, representing England, Wales and Northern Ireland. Peter Davey, nominated by Environmental Health Australia.

Selva Mudaly, nominated by the South African Institute for Environmental Health.

An election will now take place and ballot papers will be sent to all representatives from Member Organisations who are eligible to vote. As President of the Federation I would urge everyone who receives a ballot paper to use and return their votes within the timescale allocated. For the first time in the Federation's history ballot papers will be returned electronically to avoid problems that can occur when using surface mail. Ballot papers returned after the deadline <u>will not be counted</u>. We are particularly fortunate on this occasion to have three candidates representing three of the Federations' Regional Groups - Africa, Asia Pacific and Europe. Information about each candidate is published elsewhere on the website. Each candidate is well known within their own Regional Group and beyond and has been a supporter of the Federation for many years. May I take this opportunity to thank each of the candidates, and their supporters, for agreeing to put their names forward...good luck!

And finally I would like to thank Member Organisations for their support during the two years that I have been President. It has been my pleasure to meet many of you during this time and you have all been very supportive and made me feel very welcome. Thank you again for your continued support of the IFEH.

Bernard Forteath President IFEH.