**Board of Directors Election for 2020-2021 Term**

**Candidate Statement Form**

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| **Name & Country:** | Werner Platzer  
Germany |

**Candidate Statement:** *(No longer than 300 words with description of your qualification and plans for carrying out your responsibilities as an ISES Board Member)*

After being a member of ISES and DGS for more than 25 years I would like to offer my candidature as member of the Board of Directors for the next term.

As solar energy is becoming a more and more substantial pillar of the energy sector, when we go towards a 100% RE future, we have to strengthen also internationally science and research in order to accompany the paradigm change on an optimal technological and societal basis. Quality of products and systems, broad dissemination and knowledge transfer from the few who have dedicated their live to solar to the ones who start their professional life within the renewable energy sector is key. Young scientists, engineers and students as well as future decision makers and politicians need to know better about the chances and necessities of a fundamental change in the energy sector, also affecting of course other sectors as water supply, agriculture, democratic development of institutions and the financing sector. Climate change presses for new answers, and they have to be interdisciplinary – nevertheless not vague and common place.

My topics for the board:
- International knowledge transfer and education
- Making ISES a better support for young professionals and scientist
- Quality assurance in scientific publishing
- Interdisciplinary and societal work required for a solar energy sector

We have only one world, let us work together to serve and save it!

**Agreement:** *Please tick the box below.*

X I have read the ISES Board of Directors General Guidelines and should I be elected agree to meet the responsibilities, participate in the activities and agree to the operations and procedures outlined therein.