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Emerging Leaders Initiative
2027 Advisory Board
Nomination Form

About ELI & its Advisory Board

The Emerging Leaders Initiative (ELI) was created in 2017 with the mission of educating the next generation of leaders on regional issues and the varying sectors within the growth and development industry, facilitating development of new networks with peer and industry leaders, empowering young professionals to seek leadership positions within their own organizations and within the Council for Quality Growth (Council), and maximizing the opportunities provided through Council membership.

The ELI Advisory Board is made up of a 16-person At-Large Advisory Board and a 6-member Leadership Committee with a designated Chair, Vice Chair, and Secretary. The At-Large Advisory Board meets quarterly to formulate the upcoming ELI program schedule, strategize on ELI membership and member-engagement progress, evaluate and adjust, as necessary, ELI's adherence to its core mission and progress, and provide updates and other additional input as needed. The ELI Board serves in an advisory capacity only and has no fiduciary or governance authority.

The Council for Quality Growth's Emerging Leaders Initiative (ELI) is now accepting nominations to the 16-person At-Large Advisory Board for a one-year term beginning January 1, 2027. Nominees must be currently employed by an active member company of the Council for Quality Growth and an active member in the ELI program to be considered for the Advisory Board.

The Advisory Board selection process will be made by the existing ELI Leadership Committee, subject to confirmation by the Council staff. The 16 positions should represent diverse expertise, networks, and perspectives across the Council's industry-wide membership. Advisory Board Members are expected to provide input on programs and initiatives, promote ELI within their professional networks, and actively participate in ELI and Council events. Selected Advisory Board Members will each serve a one-year renewable term, with a maximum of six years.

Eligibility & Criteria

- Must be an existing ELI member for at least one full program year.
- Should demonstrate active participation in ELI and other Council programs and events.
- Should bring diverse expertise and a commitment to advancing ELI's mission.
- Must be able to attend all quarterly ELI Board meetings.
- Expected to participate in all ELI programs and events and commit to arriving early to support CQG staff and greet ELI members

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Nominee Information

Name _____

Company _____

Title _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Nomination Questionnaire

How long has the Nominee worked for the company listed above?

How long has the Nominee been enrolled in the Council's ELI program?

Please list any past experience, job history, or other organization/committee involvement that might qualify the Nominee for an ELI Board position.

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Please list any current or past Council for Quality Growth invovlement (non ELI participation in the Council, ex: Advisory Roundtable Committees, Volunteer Opportunities, etc.)

Please provide a statement as to why the Nominee is fit to serve on the 2027 ELI Board.

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Upon selection, all Board Members will be asked to sign a Statement of Expectations, committing to the following to maintain their position on the Board.

1. A seat on the ELI Advisory Board automatically nominates the seat-holder to act as the liaison to his or her employed company or organization, assuming the responsibility of communicating to other employees about ELI memberships and programs.
2. Each Advisory Board Member is expected to attend all (no less than 75% in a single year) of the quarterly ELI Advisory Board Meetings each year during their 1-year term. *In the course of a year, this would mean attending 3 of 4 quarterly Board meetings.* Board Member will notify the Board Secretary in advance if a meeting must be missed.
3. Each Board Member is expected to prioritize his or her attendance to all ELI programs and events, engage with other ELI Members at these events, and set and maintain an expectation and energy for all ELI attendees.
4. Board Members commit to arriving early to ELI events to support the Council staff and greet all ELI attendees for no fewer than 2 ELI events per year.
5. Each Board member is expected to continuously recruit new ELI members throughout the year.
6. ELI Board Members should also support the mission and goals of the Council for Quality Growth and represent the ELI program at other Council events when possible.

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Nominator Information

Name _____

Company _____

Email _____

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Signed Dated