

# Limit the number of terms for Board Members



*Submitted for consideration to the PhD Chapter Meeting  
The Phd Chapter at KTH / Doktorandsektionen vid Tekniska Högskolans Studentkår*

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## Background

Every year, the number of PhD students at KTH is renewed in about 20%, or around 200 people. That said, it is important to include new ideas and have contribution with students from different phases of their PhDs so there can be a better representation of ideas. This is, in many places, recognized as a good practice: THS, for example, has most of its positions only filled for a single year, with major changes at every election, bringing different students perspective.

The spirit of this motion is to let the board oxygenate from time to time, having also the nomination committee more empowered to search for their successors.

## Suggestions

To<sub>1</sub> suggest that, at the statutes, modify Section 3.2. (Eligibility):

It is mandatory to be a PhD Chapter member in order to be elected member of the PhD Chapter Board.

To:

A doctoral student is eligible to be an elected member of the PhD Chapter Board when both conditions below are satisfied:

1. The doctoral student is a PhD Chapter member.
2. The doctoral student has not been elected to serve for two or more full terms, or a cumulative time of two years or more, at the PhD Chapter Board, consecutive or not, at the time the position mandate is supposed to begin.

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