

# 2024 International Election



Candidate for

**Chairman**

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## Campaign statement

I'm Sonia María Fernández López, and I'm running for president of Mensa International, it's a risky bet but I want to share with all of you that vision of a future where Mensa International is a beacon of intellectual excellence and global collaboration. A world in which diversity of thought is celebrated and where every brilliant person finds an intellectual home in Mensa. Together, we will build a brighter world through the power of collective intelligence.

## Biography

I'm currently studying; I'm working on two doctoral theses. One at Carlos III University of Madrid in law on stolen works of art during the Nazi period, and another in European law at UNED on artificial intelligence and robotics for future legal projections. I have a degree in criminology, law and private investigation. I'm an expert in patents, trademarks, forgery of works of art, and calligraphy.

I've practiced martial arts since I was young, currently ninjutsu. Additionally, I study violin and play the piano. I also study Japanese and Catalan. I love painting, and when I finish my thesis, I'll resume doing exhibitions around the world.

I would like to contribute to making Mensa a better place for everyone and as support for all our members; that's why I have chosen to apply.

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## Answers to IBD questions

### 1. What do you see as the most important aspect of the role for which you are standing?

I believe that in the world in which we find ourselves with the evolution of artificial intelligence, we must evolve and advance towards new paths and perspectives within the development of intelligence, taking advantage of future advances to be able to create stronger and more capable intelligent beings.

### 2. Why have you volunteered for this role, and what in particular qualifies you for it?

I volunteer because I believe that at this point in my life I can change many things and we can create a strong and beneficial group of intelligent people fighting for a good common goal.

### 3. What do you see as the most important issues facing international Mensa at the present time and in the next few years?

The problem is always the difficulty of diversity with the rest of the world, we must learn to be a strong group to be able to achieve everything we can set our minds to. Mensa must be a support for all those who need it to cover the shortcomings that cannot be reached through society.

### 4. What do you wish to achieve during your term of office?

Manage to expand Mensa to countries where it isn't present, ensure that support for diversity can be encouraged and people who have problematic differences can be helped to survive their own complexity. Create a strong group and not a residual group that can generate exchange between countries, create international games and competitions between Mensas from different countries.