

Candidate to the Board

Arian TISSERAND



EXPERIENCE/AREAS OF EXPERTISE RELEVANT TO THE SCHOOL AND THE BOARD

- Economist and international development professional with nearly 25 years of experience at the intersection of education, workforce development, and economic opportunity with a strong track record in fundraising and partnership-building.
- International career spanning Europe, the United States, and Asia, including roles at UNESCO, J.P. Morgan, and international think tanks, with experience in policy analysis, philanthropy, and entrepreneurship; based in Hong Kong since 2013.
- Experienced in designing and scaling initiatives that connect education systems with labor market opportunities and expand pathways to economic mobility.
- Since 2024, Co-Founder of Beacon Street Lab, an education venture dedicated to fostering exceptional reading, writing, and critical thinking skills in young learners ages 10-17.
- Member of the FIS Fundraising Committee over the past year, where I had the privilege to work alongside school leadership and fellow parents to support partnerships, community-building, and financial sustainability.

HOW I EXPECT TO CONTRIBUTE AS A BOARD DIRECTOR

- Offer a strategic perspective grounded in education, contributing to the school's positioning and supporting sound decision-making as FIS evolves in a rapidly changing global environment.
- Leverage experience in corporate philanthropy, partnerships, and fundraising, as well as insights gained through the FIS Fundraising Committee, to support the school's development initiatives and financial resilience.
- Support a collaborative and constructive Board culture, valuing diverse perspectives, asking thoughtful questions, and supporting balanced, well-informed decisions in the best interests of our school and students.
- Bring fresh ideas and creative problem-solving, alongside a strong sense of accountability and integrity, engaging actively in the work of the Board and supporting the continued growth and ambition of FIS.

WHAT I SEE AS PRIORITIES FOR THE SCHOOL IN THE NEXT 3 TO 5 YEARS

- Strong academic outcomes that open doors for our students, in an environment that helps them reach their full potential and adapt to a fast-changing world as happy, healthy, and confident human beings.
- Outstanding teachers and staff, with FIS as a place where highly motivated educators can do their best work.
- A clear and unified FIS identity, bringing together the French and International streams and building on what makes the school truly unique.
- Thoughtful investment in campuses and capabilities, ensuring high-quality learning environments, effective use of space, and access to the resources students need to succeed.
- Community engagement and institutional development, including fundraising, partnerships, transparent dialogue, and sound long-term planning to ensure the school's continued strength and stability.

HEAR FROM THE CANDIDATE

