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# 2021 Election GlobalSkin Board of Directors Candidate Profiles

# Guillermo Gutierrez

## Fundapso - Colombia



### **Why do you want to be elected to GlobalSkin's Board of Directors?**

- I wish to be able to share and make transcendent my leadership and patient associations' work in Colombia and Latin America for over more than 10 years. I also believe Latin American representation within the board is crucial in order to better understand our patients' situation around the world.

### **What expertise and experience would you contribute to achieving GlobalSkin's mission in your role as a Board Director?**

- All the work that has been implemented locally on health policies, meds and treatment access, early disease detection campaigns in multiple skin diseases and my leadership experience throughout the years have taught me several tools and disciplines which I believe I can use to help GlobalSkin to reach their goals. The organization may benefit from my different approach and insight on several matters so that we can reach integral, effective and visible solutions for our patients.

### **What are your three strongest skill areas?**

- Advocacy/Outreach
- Communications/PR
- Healthcare Admin/Policy

### **Describe any experience you have in working with and/or on Boards of Directors.**

- Biored Col is an NGO which works towards healthcare policies for biological treatment in Colombia, among other patient needs. I have been made a part of this and much of my work with them has been directed towards that goal. We are currently building the Pharmacological Risk Route Project as a technical recommendation to include in the healthcare system. This promotes a safe and efficient delivery of treatment and meds to our patients.

### **What GlobalSkin events and initiatives have you participated in?**

- We have been part of every event GlobalSkin has hosted since 2015, except from France (2017).

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## Why do you want to be elected to GlobalSkin's Board of Directors?

- I want to bring my contribution to the evolution and progress of GlobalSkin which is an organization that I find very important to contribute to the improvement of the quality of lives of patients with skin diseases. I want to make available to GlobalSkin my experience, my knowledge and my skills in the management of skin diseases in developing countries (in the African landscape). I want to learn from other members of the management board from their experiences, especially to improve our imperfections. I want to gain experience in the active participation and leadership of organizations at international level. Finally, because I love this organization, I find it to be one of the best ways to improve the quality of life of patients with dermatological diseases in the world.

## What expertise and experience would you contribute to achieving GlobalSkin's mission in your role as a Board Director?

- In general, we will bring our experience in the management of dermatological diseases in developing countries practically in sub-Saharan Africa context. Having worked in several countries of sub-Saharan Africa (DRC, Tanzania, Uganda, Congo Brazaville, Benin, Cameroon) for the care of dermatological problems linked to albinism, GlobalSkin will benefit from our experience in the management of the daily lives of patients, people with skin diseases in Africa and their needs. As a dermatologist and psychiatrist, we will make available to GlobalSkin our skills and knowledge in holistic care using the biopsychosocial model as an effective method to improve the quality of life of people with dermatological diseases. As leader of an organization for the care of people with albinism in the DRC (Corbetta RDC) and of the network of organizations of people living with albinism in Central Africa (ROPAC) we will put our contribution to GlobalSkin our skills in terms of organization of training campaigns for health providers, families of patients and the patients themselves, in the organization of outpatient care and awareness-raising methods.

## What are your three strongest skill areas?

- Education/Training
- Healthcare Admin/Policy
- Advocacy/Outreach

## Describe any experience you have in working with and/or on Boards of Directors.

- Since 2013, CEO and Founder of CORBETTA RDC
- Since 2018, Head of Department of Internal Medicine in Kisangani Cinquantenaire Hospital
- Since 2019, Consultant in DRC of the UN independent expert in the enjoyment of the right of persons with albinism
- Since 2020, Counsellor in ROPAC (Central African Organisation for Persons with Albinism)
- Since 2021, AFRICAN UNION G12 expert in elaborating the action plan for the right of persons with albinism in Africa

## List the GlobalSkin events and initiatives in which you have you participated.

- GRIDD Project-Phase 3 Delphi, RareDERM Project, WHO Collaborative Global Network for Rare Diseases

# Ritu Jain

## DEBRA Singapore



### **Why do you want to be elected to GlobalSkin's Board of Directors?**

- As President of DEBRA Singapore and of APARDO, I've focused on supporting and enabling rare disease patients and organisations in the Asia Pacific region. I hope that I can bring my experience and expertise to making GlobalSkin truly 'global'.

### **What expertise and experience would you contribute to achieving GlobalSkin's mission in your role as a Board Director?**

- I would bring my knowledge of the healthcare landscape and of rare skin conditions communities from Asia to expand the outreach and impact of GlobalSkin beyond its current areas of engagement.

### **What are your three strongest skill areas?**

- Advocacy/Outreach
- Community Leadership
- Healthcare Admin/Policy

### **Describe any experience you have in working with and/or on Boards of Directors.**

- I've led both Debra Singapore and APARDO and also serve on the board of RDI, DEBRA International and IRDiRC.

### **List the GlobalSkin events and initiatives in which you have you participated.**

- Participation in conference held in Milan 2019