# Getting SMART: Securing A Public Appointment

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# One Measure of Success...Dipa



"It's a pleasure to be joining the board, but I'd prefer it if you called me David, rather than The BME Guy."



#### The Challenges

What are the challenges to achieving improvement in the diversity of representation in public appointments?



# The DIPA Approach

- Work at all the different levels of critical success points
- Work in collaboration with a range of partners
- Actively manage knowledge systems and networks
- Provide a range of 'Real Time Assistance' and support services for individuals, appointing bodies and employers



#### Key SMARTs

- SMARTly matching your passion and your talents
- SMART networking
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- SMART packaging of your talent
- SMART appreciation of your diverse leadership advantage

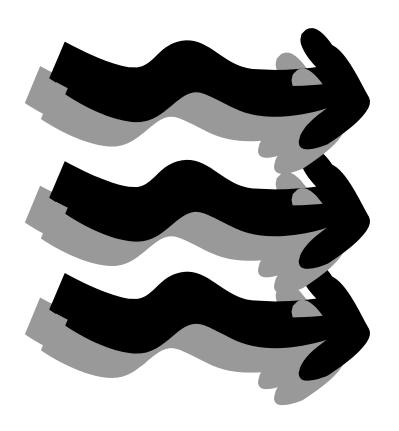


#### Public Appointments In The UK

- Definition of Public Appointments
- Types and Numbers of Public Appointments
- What's the Government's view on diversity in public appointments?
- What initiatives are in place and how effective are they?



### Entry Routes



LOCAL BODY

**PROGRESSIVE** 

**PUBLIC BODY** 



# Taking Action

Self Assessment Exercise....



#### Motivation for Public Life

- Why do you want a public appointment?
- What's your passion?
- What can you contribute?
- How do you want to contribute?
- What do you want to get from it in return?

#### What Else Should You Think DIPA About?



- Time Considerations
- Remuneration Expectations
- How well do your skills & experience match what what's required for a particular post?
- Readiness to Challenge
- Development Needs



# Packaging Your Talent

- Talent sources what counts and what's valued?
- Types of talents
- Evidence of talents how much detail is needed for a public appointment?
- The language of talent how to describe and present your talents



# Taking Action

Self Assessment Exercise....



#### Transferable Skills

- What transferable skills have you got?
- How will you evidence this?
- How can you most effectively present it?



#### Taking SMART Action

WHAT DO I NEED TO DO SMART-er? WHAT ACTION DO I NEED TO TAKE TO MAKE IT HAPPEN?

WHAT'S MY FIRST STEP?

WHAT RESOURCES
CAN I CALL ON
ALREADY?

WHAT DO I NEED HELP WITH?





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