Role of the Vice Presidents

The Vice Presidents shall assist the President in the work of DbI. If the President is unavailable, one of the Vice Presidents shall have the authority to assume the duty of President upon the President's request, absence, or incapacity.

The Vice Presidents will work collaboratively with each other and the President, demonstrating effective communication and leadership skills. They must be able to participate in meetings of DbI and with identified partner organizations. They may share mutual responsibilities and will act in accordance with their assigned roles to serve DbI and its strategic plan.

Shared responsibilities include:

Communication with the DbI Board and DbI members through written reports, email correspondence, website postings, the *DbI Review* articles, and the Annual Report. The Vice Presidents will provide outreach to other organizations supporting individuals with sensory loss, represent DbI at conferences and meetings with the President or when the President cannot attend, and develop and promote the strategical goals of DbI.

The specific roles and responsivities that each Vice President will assume should match their interest, talents, and resources to maximize their ability to support and promote DbI in advocating for individuals living with deafblindness.

Together with the President, each Vice President will take on additional responsibilities that may include, but are not limited to the following:

- Be the point of connection with other identified international associations.
- Facilitate memorandums of Understanding (MOU) with other associations.
- Work closely with the President and host country sponsors during the planning of regional and world DbI conferences.
- Support Dbl conferences.
- Take an active role on DbI committees such as ComCom or Conference planning Committees.
- Participate in meetings and workgroups.
- Work with the Information Officer to expand the DbI website.

Share information about DbI and assist in increasing corporate and individual memberships and associations/partners.	