

National Societies Chair - Role Description

Role objective

The Chair of the National Societies Committee strengthens collaboration and communication among all UEG National Member Societies. In this role, the Chair also serves as a member of the UEG Council, contributing to the advancement of digestive health priorities across Europe and beyond. All Council Members are expected to actively support the Society's goals and mission.

Competencies and Expertise

Purpose orientation	Demonstrates commitment to advancing digestive health and UEG's future. Serves the community with integrity and promotes diversity, equality, and inclusion across all national societies.
Strategic thinking	Is committed to UEG's strategy and governance and helps to shape the UEG, ensuring stakeholder involvement and efficient use of resources.
Professional expertise	Holds broad experience in gastroenterology and related fields and is not retired from clinical and professional activities.
Partnership building	Fosters communication and collaboration across UEG National Member Societies and promotes common interests. Highlights activities from UEG that support national societies in their professional, scientific, and educational activities.
Judgement & decision making	Promotes open, ethical decision-making aligned with UEG governance and values, putting best practice and multidisciplinary collaboration above individual specialty interests.
Teamwork & supervision	Works closely with Headquarters Management. Together with the President, chairs Joint Meetings of the National Societies Forum and Meeting of Members. Consults with the Executive Committee and Council.
Communication	Encourages open communication and builds consensus. Uses tact and diplomacy and communicates well across organisational and cultural boundaries. Acts as an ambassador for UEG National Member Societies. Fluent in business English to fulfil tasks. Commits sufficient time and travel to fulfill volunteer duties to represent UEG at the national level.

Requirements

- be a UEG Associate and reside in a country represented by a UEG National Member Society
- MD or PhD in the field of Digestive Health
- After election, no concurrent leadership role in a UEG Member Society, or position in a UEG board or committee

Next Term of office

- January 1, 2027 – December 31, 2030, - Chair term

Application process

- Candidates must be nominated with a letter by any UEG National Member Society.
- Candidates must provide an A4 mission statement and CV (1 page, A4)
- Deadline for nominations: **September 1, 2026**