

EuGMS Nominations Committee: Guidance on Presidents' and Academic Director's roles

These tables describe the main roles of the Presidents and Academic Director. Some of the activities are added *in italic*. In practice, these depend on the individuals and their strengths and interests. Specific duties regarding conduct of meetings are included in our By Laws. The roles are also reflected in Internal Rules. We have added some of the experience and qualities needed for one or more of these activities.

Presidents Roles and Activities	Requirements
Acts as the figurehead and represents the Society	Relevant experience: probably leadership roles at
in official events and documents.	national or regional level.
Interacts with variety of international and European	Social skills: Appreciates needs of different sectors
scientific and civic organisations.	Interacts well with non-specialist audiences
	Fluent in spoken English: good enough in written English.
organisations: policy, scientific, etc.	
Has an overall vision and appreciates the main	Previous involvement with EuGMS (not necessarily at
priorities of the Society.	Board level)
1.	Broad perspective but able to delegate/prioritise
strategic vision	Organisational and time management skills
Maintains overview of activities of the Boards, "ad	Time
hoc groups", and other Board Directors	Has general healthcare policy and science interests
Supports the Finance Director to ensure the	Basic financial budgetary competence
financial health and probity of the Society	Maintains/Delegates effective and ethical relationships
	with Pharma/other funders
Leads Executive and Full Boards.	Inclusive style. Respects different skills
Oversees agendas, chairs meetings, follows up on	Values diversity
the Action lists with Secretariat	Respects national societies important roles
Supports other directors and facilitates their	Can direct, delegate facilitate or mentor, as necessary.
interactions as a team	Impartial and fair. Manages conflicts.
Maintains oversight of work and workloads	Reflective practice.
Frequent email or other communications	Timely communication
Oversees Memorandums of Understanding	Experience of initiating, promoting and supporting
(MoUs) with external organisations	partnership working with scientific and civic bodies
May choose to delegate this task	
Takes day to day decisions	Decisive. Honest. Values transparency in actions
Liaison with Secretariat, Directors, PCO	
Usually attends the Academic Board	Broad scientific perspective
•	Willing to have frequent contact with Secretariat, can
supervision roles to Executive Board members	delegate, support and supervise tasks efficiently

The President-elect

- Will have or already has the requirements and experience to fulfil the President role in 2 years.
- Has time to become familiar with most aspects of EuGMS activity.
- Supports and assists the work of the President, as requested.
- May lead some strategic planning with support of ad hoc groups, as necessary.
- Chairs the Full Board or Executive Board in absence of the President.
- Usually attends the Academic Board.

Immediate Past-President

- Provides experience and continuity for the Executive Board.
- Chairs the Full Board or Executive Board in absence of the President and President-Elect.
- May take on specific additional tasks at the request of the Executive Board.
- Usually attends the Academic Board.
- Chairs the Nominations committee.



Academic Director's role and activities	Requirements
Directs the Academic Board which consists of 6 to	Credible academic as judged by research outputs and
10 persons, suggested the AD, and approved by	academic leadership experience
Executive Board	Collegiate style, inclusive. TIME
Delegates and then oversees key tasks to	Can delegate to and oversee others' work
Academic Board members	Experience of international collaborations
Responsible for annual Congress	Broad scientific interest in Geriatrics
Delegates responsibilities to AB members	Can direct/support and enable as necessary
Liaises closely with the PCO	Management and organisational ability Leadership
Ensures financial viability of Congress	experience of Congress or similar events at regional or
Ensures ethics and reputational integrity	national level
Supervises the Special Interest Groups (SIGs)	Promotes broad scope of EuGMS interests
and their Task and Finish groups	Can provide advice and direction
Stimulates, supports and encourages emerging	Promotes diversity in leadership roles
academic leaders, and the development of new	Manages to time and procedural guidance
SIGs	
Oversees scientific collaborations	Relevant experience: probably leadership roles at national
Liaises with the Scientific Liaison Officer (Georg	or regional level
Ruppe) on EuGMS input to European funded	Maintains an overview of role of scientific work and
projects	outputs of the MoUs
Supports and stimulates contacts with other	Values and can build relationships across disciplines in
scientific international organisations and the	medicine and allied health professionals
Scientific Base (OEPIA in Vienna)	Promotes broad vision of EuGMS as a scientific association
Promotes principles of geriatrics and relevant	with the broader mission of service improvement
training and education in the activities and	
Congresses of other Societies	
Collaborates with potential funders of EuGMS	Maintains/Delegates effective and ethical relationships
scientific work	with Pharma/other funders
•	Fluent in spoken and adequate in written English
Executive Board Directors	Time and communication skills.
Reports to every Executive Board and Full Board	
meeting	
Liaises with Communications director for	
dissemination of scientific outputs	
Supports the work of other groups such as the GEI	
and ECGI	

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