



The European Pain Federation is recruiting!

To paraphrase John F Kennedy:

'Don't ask what the European Pain Federation can do for you, but what you can do for the European Pain Federation.'



The European Pain Federation has decided to reorganise its various committees and task forces, with a greater emphasis on seeking volunteers. We would like you to put yourselves forward to help us build upon our recent successes and increase the impact of our work.

The European Pain Federation's work in the fields of education, research and advocacy rely upon the scientific and clinical expertise of people like you. To improve our work, we need to increase the involvement of volunteers, and bring the pain community closer to us.

The practical operations of the European Pain Federation, such as communications, financial oversight and elections processes also require input from volunteers. We invite you to also consider these task as something you could help us with.

The changes we will make will include:

- Committee and working group structure: we will reorganise our committees and their various working groups to create clear and manageable work programmes, expand our scope of work, and increase the input from our community
- Operational committees: we will renew our operational committees to ensure key functions of the Federation are performed with excellence
- Task forces: we will build on our successful task forces, and consolidate them within the Federation's formal working methods
- Scientific panels: we will establish a formal system to enable the sharing of scientific expertise between the Federation and overlapping medical specialisms

In general, we will provide a stronger structure for our work, with clearer mandates for projects, and more professional support from our Executive Office in Brussels.

Why should I volunteer?

1. To elevate the profile of pain medicine and pain specialists within healthcare systems
2. To improve the lives of patients through greater education, research and political advocacy
3. To gain new skills and to take on new responsibilities within an international organisation

We know that your time is incredibly valuable. We will do our best to ensure that you are contributing to well-organised projects that have an impact.

We will also try to reward those who contribute by providing you with a profile through the organisation.

When can I get involved?

Please complete the 'declaration of interest' form and write directly to secretary@efic.org.

The changes mentioned above, including the identification of new committee and working group chairs, will begin to be implemented by the 1st December 2017, but additional volunteers will be sought in early 2018.

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