



# IFMRS

INTERNATIONAL FEDERATION OF  
MUSCULOSKELETAL RESEARCH SOCIETIES

## TERMS OF REFERENCE

<b>COMMITTEE</b>	<b>IFMRS EDUCATION WORKING GROUP</b>
CHAIR	The Chair will be a member of the IFMRS Board who has been nominated by a member society and elected by the IFMRS Board by a majority vote.
MEMBERSHIP	The IFMRS Education Working Group will have a minimum of 4 and a maximum of 12 members, with representation from both clinical and non-clinical disciplines and nominated by IFMRS member societies.
TERM OF OFFICE	The Education Working Party members will be nominated by IFMRS member societies with a term of office of 2 years. Members can be re-elected for one additional term of office (i.e. a total of 4 years)
ELECTION PROCEDURES	Nominations for IFMRS Education Working Group Members and Chairs to be approved by the IFMRS Board
CRITERIA FOR MEMBERSHIP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Member of an IFMRS member society</li> <li>- PhD and/or MD, DDS, DMD, Vet qualification</li> <li>- Commitment to the aims of the IFMRS</li> <li>- Relevant skills, experience and knowledge to perform required responsibilities</li> <li>- Track record in the field of musculoskeletal research or other specialty as determined by the IFMRS Board</li> </ul>
ACCOUNTABILITY	The Education Working Group, through its Chair will be accountable to the IFMRS Board for its actions and will report regularly on its activities
AIM	The aim of the Education Working Group is to develop and advise the Board on international education programmes consistent with the IFMRS mission.

RESPONSIBILITIES	<p>The IFMRS will not organise stand-alone congresses but may hold joint events as required. Key responsibilities are to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Support educational needs in the musculoskeletal field worldwide through sharing of resources, raising public awareness and education programmes.</li> <li>• Develop and recommend additional activities to complement existing IFMRS activities.</li> <li>• Promote retention of affiliated societies through engagement in IFMRS activities.</li> <li>• Advise on programmes to support early career investigators transition to independent research careers</li> <li>• Support specific educational and engagement activities as identified by the IFMRS Board (e.g. education in emerging countries, doctoral and postdoctoral training, and courses such as the Herbert Fleisch Meeting)</li> </ul>
BUDGET RESPONSIBILITIES	All final financial decisions are the responsibility of the IFMRS Board
ENTITLEMENTS	Any expenses to be covered by self or own society, unless previously approved by the IFMRS Board