



May 6th, 2022

**CALL FOR NOMINATIONS
ENGAGE Vice-Co-Chair**

Dear ENGAGE members,

We are pleased to announce the upcoming elections for the position of Vice Co-Chair which will be held during the **ENGAGE General Assembly meeting, on Friday, October 28, 17:00-18:30 in Berlin.**

After three years of excellent service, our current Past-Co-Chair Icó Tóth, will finish her term in the ENGAGE Executive Group (EEG) in October 2022.

The position of Vice Co-Chair (Co-Chair-Elect) will first be voted on at the 2022 General Assembly meeting. The position of Vice Co-Chair (this seat alternates between the Co-Chair-Elect and immediate Past Co-Chair, depending on which one is in office) was set up to facilitate the continuity of work within the EEG.

The ENGAGE Co-Chair is elected by the General Assembly and will serve four (4) years comprising subsequent terms as follows: one (1) year as Vice Co-Chair (effectively, Co-Chair-Elect), two (2) years as Co-Chair, and then one (1) additional year as Vice Co-Chair (effectively, immediate Past Co-Chair). Thus, the positions of Past Co-Chair and Co-Chair-Elect alternate seats on the EEG and are together known as the Vice Co-Chair.

According to the ENGAGE bylaws, the EEG is to consist of four members nominated by the ESGO Council, and three members representing patient advocates elected by the ENGAGE General Assembly, and two members representing patient advocates nominated by Nomination Committee. These are volunteer positions which require willingness and the

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capacity to participate in the ENGAGE leadership, lead diverse ENGAGE projects, and occasionally travel for ENGAGE. The Co-Chair-Elect will help the Co-Chairs of the ENGAGE Executive Group and will become ENGAGE Co-Chair in 2023.

The ideal candidate for the Vice-Co-Chair position needs to have leadership and management skills and proven experience in the not-for-profit sector as a patient advocate. They should be available to represent ENGAGE at different occasions and to participate at the ESGO Council meetings (twice per year) as ENGAGE Co-Chair becomes an ESGO Council member. The Co-Chair average workload may be up to 15 hrs/week, including teleconferences. An advanced level of English (spoken and written) is a necessary condition.

Therefore, **any motivated ENGAGE member (=patient advocacy group) who wishes to work in the EEG as Vice-Co-Chair/Co-Chair is welcome to propose a candidate in the elections.** Each ENGAGE member can nominate its representative as a candidate for the elections; however, and according to the bylaws, each country can be represented by only one member in EEG at a time.

All candidates standing in the elections will have an allotted **5 minutes for a presentation** (Powerpoint/presentation display technology will be available upon request) prior to the on-site casting of ballots during the General Assembly. The Co-Chair-Elect will be declared elected by simple majority of all ENGAGE present members.

Interested ENGAGE members should forward their candidate's motivation statement (250 words) with a photo to the Nomination Committee by June 24th, 2022, at the ENGAGE office: eva.streglova@esgo.org. The motivation statement should explain their motivation to become Vice Co-Chair/Co-Chair and suggestions for future goals and vision.

The name, photo, and motivation statements of all candidates for all positions will be made available on the ENGAGE website after June 24th, 2022. By submitting the nomination to the



EEG election, the candidate approves the publication of his/her name, photo, and motivation statement on the ENGAGe website.

We highly encourage you to take an active part in the ENGAGe organization and propose the best members of your patient advocacy group to stand in the ballots.

Be involved and shape the future of our organization!

We are looking forward to receiving a nomination from your group **by June 24th** end of the day and seeing you all **on Friday, October 28, 17:00-18:30 in Berlin** for the **ENGAGe Vice-Chair election!**

Please do not hesitate to get in touch if you have any queries.

Kind regards,

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