

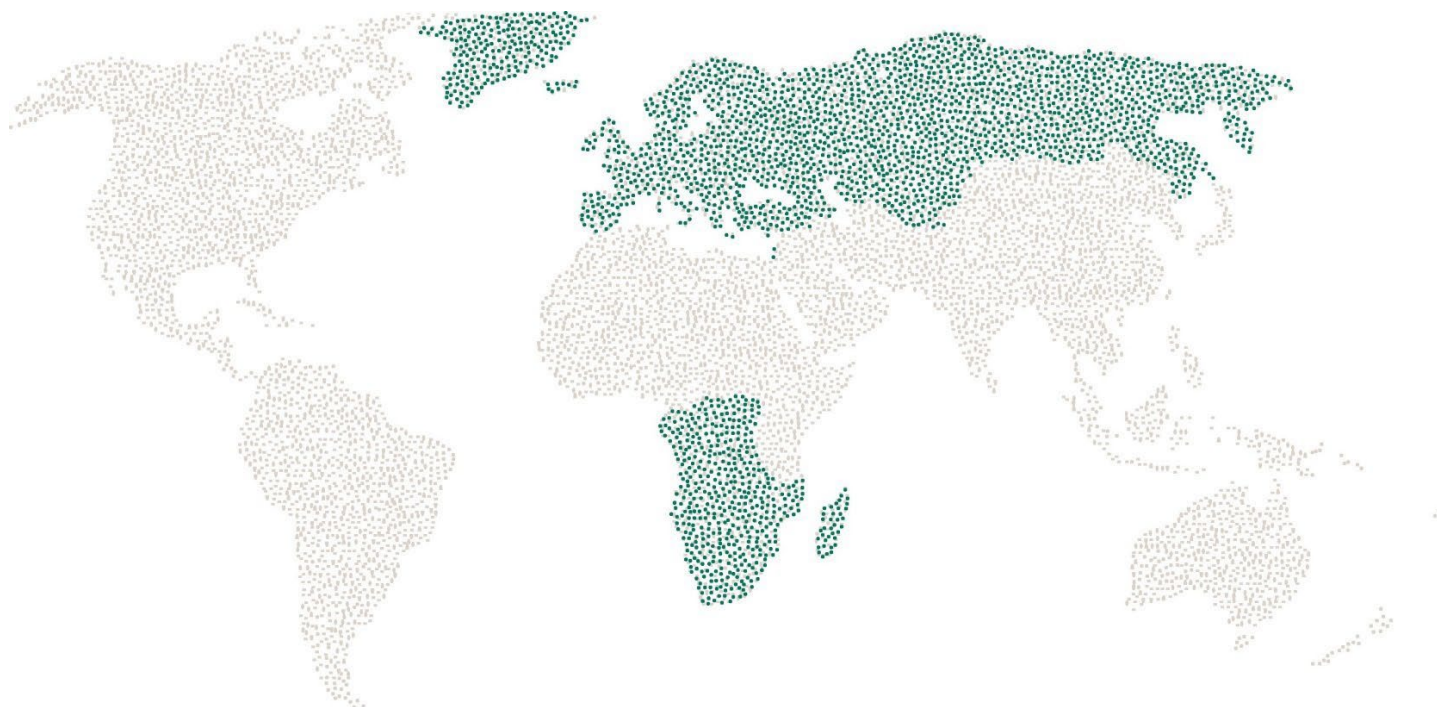
Job description

AO Spine Europe and Southern Africa Chairperson

AO Spine Europe and Southern Africa is looking for:

highly motivated individuals of regional repute and excellent scientific and clinical recognition. Applicants need to be able to work in a multi-cultural environment with no regional travel restrictions. They are expected to have the vision to contribute to the entire AO Spine organization and to help us set new standards and position AO Spine as a global leader in musculoskeletal spine surgery. AO Spine is now seeking nominations and reapplications for the following position:

Position	AO Spine Europe and Southern Africa Chairperson
Territory	Europe and Southern Africa Region
Reporting to	AO Spine International Board Chairperson
Term	Single term of three years as Chairperson.
Officer Elect term	July 1, 2027 to June 30, 2028
Start date	July 1, 2028
End date	June 30, 2031
Officer Past term	July 1, 2031 to June 30, 2032



Responsibilities

- Lead the AO Spine ESA regional board
- Support the individual AO Spine ESA Board members in their respective areas
- Position and develop AO Spine as Europe's and Southern African leading community for world class spine surgery education and research
- Lead the development and implementation of long-term strategies, goals and objectives
- Ensure AO Spine understands and meets the needs of spine surgeons across Europe and Southern Africa, through the development of innovative programs and services
- Represent the interests of all members of the community throughout the region
- Build deep and sustainable strategic partnerships and alliances with relevant educational and research organizations
- Be an outstanding ambassador for AO Spine, inspiring European and Southern African spine surgeons to contribute and promoting AO Spine ESA at all opportunities
- Build strong, collaborative relationships with approved industrial partners
- Ensure transparent long-term succession planning
- Represent AO Spine ESA on the AO Spine International Board (IB)
- Oversee the implementation of AO Spine IB and AO Foundation resolutions
- Lead efficient & effective AO Spine ESA regional board meetings
- Ensure consistent quality and brand management in all activities
- Partner with other AO Spine regions and other stakeholders to successfully meet all objectives

Requirements

- Member of AO Spine
- Eligible Candidates:
 - Current or past AO Spine Regional Board members (no member-at-large)
 - Past Global Commission Chairperson, one lateral move possible and residing in the respective region, two years after end of term
- Practicing surgeon for whom at least 75% practice is spine surgery
- Recognized as an outstanding, visionary and selfless leader with integrity
- First rate network and strong personal relationships throughout the European spine community
- Excellent understanding of the needs of European and Southern African spine surgeons
- Recognized member of leading international and/or regional spine surgery related organizations
- Passionate about developing AO Spine ESA and willing to devote a significant amount of time to this
- Strong communicator and listener, with significant experience in multicultural environments
- Good project management skills
- Outstanding diplomatic capabilities
- Willing to travel extensively both within and outside of the region
- Good command of English
- Excellent team builder and facilitator, able to set direction and lead people to common goals
- Outstanding networker and partnership builder
- Ready to represent the interests of all European and Southern African members, developing programs for the entire region
- Willing to represent and support the interests of and develop programs for all European and Southern African members

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