



2026 FEBS Council elections: nomination of candidates for the following available positions of FEBS Committees or Working Groups

Biochemical Society members wishing to apply to be nominated to positions on either the Executive Committee or on FEBS Committees should complete the forms linked in each of the position titles. Please return the completed form to the Community Team at community@biochemistry.org, applications will be reviewed by the Society's Policy, Education and Communities Committee and successful applicants will be nominated on behalf of the Society. Please note, if a member is nominated on behalf of the Society, this does not guarantee a position as your application will be reviewed by FEBS.

*** Candidates standing for election to positions on the Executive Committee should attend the Council meeting, from 8-9 July 2026, preferably in-person, or online, to present their candidacy.**

Nominations for Executive Committee positions

Positions on the Executive Committee are for three-year terms.

Position	Eligibility
<p>Chair, Advanced Courses Committee Mauro Maccarrone is ending his first term on 31.12.2026. He is standing for re-election for a second term.</p>	<p>Candidates should be active scientists with a proven record of organizing successful Advanced Courses for FEBS or comparable other international events on relevant scientific topics in the field of Molecular Life Sciences.</p>
<p>Chair, Publications Committee Johannes Buchner is ending his second term on 31.12.2026. He is standing for re-election for a third term. <i>In accordance with the By Laws, the EC has approved the exceptional circumstances for him to stand for a third term.</i></p>	<p>Candidates should be an active scientist who have outstanding scientific achievement in biochemistry and molecular biology and long-term experience in editorial work and publishing activity for well-respected journal(s) in molecular life sciences. Furthermore, it is expected that she or he has proven understanding of the scope and financial aspects of the four FEBS Press scientific journals and the functioning of FEBS as a charity, and is well informed about worldwide open access initiatives and related policies of funding organizations.</p>
<p>Chair, Careers of Young Scientists Committee Riccardo Miggiano's one year as Acting Chair ends on 31.12.2026.</p>	<p>Candidates should be an active scientist with a proven record in overseeing and developing activities promoting young scientists and the candidate will work closely with the Chair of the annual Young Scientists Forum to help organise the event, to coordinate FEBS-IUBMB-ENABLE conferences and to supervise FEBS Junior Section activities.</p>
<p>Counsellor for Institutional Relations – new elected position for first 3-year term as an Executive Committee member</p>	<p>The CIR will bring established connections and significant experience working with scientific and academic organizations at the national and international level, as well as with EU scientific governance in Brussels and beyond. The CIR will facilitate and enhance collaborations between FEBS and this community and represent FEBS to them.</p> <p>The CIR will attend meetings of BioMed Alliance and the Initiative for Science in Europe (ISE); FEBS is a member of both organizations. The CIR may likewise attend conferences of other scientific and science-policy making organisations so as to involve FEBS in the global development of science, albeit primarily in Europe.</p>

Nominations for new members of FEBS Committees:

Positions with FEBS committees are for a single four-year term.

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Advanced Courses Committee: 3 new members Mateja Manček Keber (Slovenia), Milagros Medina (Spain) and Jan Riemer (Germany) are ending their elected terms on 31.12.2026.	The Advanced Courses Committee would appreciate receiving nominations for candidates devoted to promoting the education of young scientists with expertise in at least one of the following fields: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Microbiology▪ Biocomputation▪ Mitochondria and Redox systems
Careers of Young Scientists Committee: 2 new members Anna Jagusiak (Poland) and Vlastimil Kulda (Czech Republic) are ending their elected terms on 31.12.2026.	The committee would appreciate receiving nominations for candidates in the early-career stage who have experience organising scientific network events for young scientists internationally and have experience of participating in and/or organising the FEBS Young Scientists Forum. The committee promotes career development amongst FEBS members, is involved in the organisation of the YSF, as well as the IUBMB-FEBS-ENABLE annual meetings, the FEBS Junior Section and other initiatives for young scientists.
Education and Training Committee: 3 new members Francesco Malatesta (Italy), Nino Sinčić (Croatia) and Ly Villo (Estonia) are ending their elected terms on 31.12.2026.	Nominations for candidates with the following expertise are highly appreciated: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ High commitment to teaching and learning activities with experience and documented results from innovative educational methods, preparation of educational guidelines, organization skills.▪ Familiarity and previous experience with the Committee's educational projects (see https://www.febs.org/other-activities/education/ for illustration of the activities) and high interest for active involvement.▪ High commitment to allocate time for continuing the work of the Committee.
Excellence Awards and Fellowships Committee: 2 new members Aristidis Moustakas (Greece) and Natasa Poklar Ulrih (Slovenia) are ending their elected terms on 31.12.2026.	The Excellence Awards and Fellowships Committee would appreciate receiving nominations covering the field whose expertise will be missing in the Committee. Candidates should therefore have a proven record in the field listed below and have expertise as a panel member in national and international evaluation committees: <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Biophysics, Molecular Interactions and Biocomputation – expert in calorimetry and microscopy;▪ DNA damage and Signal Transduction / Cancer biology Experts with knowledge on AI applied to Life Sciences are welcome.

<p>Integration and Networking Committee: 1 new member Natalija Polovic is ending her elected term on 31.12.2026.</p>	<p>The Integration and Networking Committee (INC) would appreciate receiving nominations for candidates who have outstanding scientific achievement in molecular life sciences, who are familiar with scientific society politics and management or through their personal experience have contributed to the integration of a national society to FEBS; experience of working in both central and eastern European countries as well as in western European countries would be an advantage. The INC oversees the FEBS Network, so having interest/experience in writing and the assessment of texts and article ideas in various content/communication formats for scientists, would be an advantage.</p>
<p>Publications Committee: 2 new members Isabel Fabregat (Spain) and Rina Rosenzweig (Israel) are ending their elected terms on 31.12.2026.</p>	<p>The Publications Committee oversees the strategy of the four FEBS journals and FEBS Press in general. We would appreciate receiving nominations for candidates who have experience in editorial work (e.g. as an editorial board member) and/or journal management, in addition to outstanding scientific achievements in the molecular life sciences.</p>

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