

AO SESA Regional Board Education Officer

Position: AO Spine Europe & Southern Africa (AO SESA) Education Officer
Territory: Europe and Southern Africa Region
Reporting to: AO SESA Chairperson
Term: Single term of three years as Education Officer. One year as "Education Officer Elect"
Start date: July 1, 2025
End date: June 30, 2028

Note: Term starts as "Education Officer Elect" as of July 1, 2024.

Responsibilities

- Jointly lead all education activities on the regional board
- Position AO SESA as the leading provider of world class spine surgery education, to become the education 'gold standard'
- Ensure AO SEU education sets the standard globally in terms of content (through the AO Spine curriculum) and delivery (through faculty development)
- Understand the educational needs of spine surgeons across Europe and southern Africa
- Inspire development of innovative educational programs and services to meet needs
- Ensure education is at the core of all activities throughout the region
- Get colleagues involved in education throughout Europe, including as faculty
- Be an outstanding ambassador for AO SESA education and the AO Spine curriculum
- Inspire all European and southern African spine surgeons to contribute
- Represent and promote the region at all times
- Ensure consistent quality and brand management in all educational activities
- Partner with other AO Spine regions and other stakeholders for successful delivery of world class education
- Represent AO SESA on the AO Spine Education Commission

Requirements

- Member of AO Spine
- Current or past officer on an AO SESA country council, or past AO SESA regional board officer with the start of the position (Elect) two years after the end of board term
- Practicing surgeon for whom at least 75% of practice is spine surgery
- Recognized as an outstanding educator
- Experienced faculty at AO Spine educational events, including as event chairperson who has attended AO SESA Training for Chairpersons
- Excellent understanding of the educational needs of European and southern African spine surgeons
- Strong academic networks throughout Europe
- Good understanding of and interest in world class medical education, including best practices and innovations in this field
- Outstanding networker and partnership builder
- Exceptional communicator and listener, at ease in multicultural environments
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- Good project management skills
- Fluent English
- Passionate about developing AO SESA education
- Willing to represent and support the educational interests of all European and southern African members, and to develop educational programs for the entire region
- Willing and committed to devoting the necessary time to AO SESA
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