



# Professional Matters Committee

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# What is the PMC?

The committee works towards the recognition of Medical Physics as a profession in Europe (especially by the EU).

- Advises NMOs on compliance with the EFOMP Policy Statements concerning the MP profession;
  - Provides advice and maintain statistics on Registration Schemes operated by NMOs, i.e. the procedure on NRS approval;
  - Advices the President when EFOMP is asked to comment on the quality of training and position of MPE in a country of a NMO;
  - Liaises with other European organisations on medical professional matters.
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# EFOMP policy and the PMC

These aspects of EFOMP policy are of special interest of the PMC:

- contributing to the advancement of Medical Physics and to the elevation of the standards of the profession practice;
  - making recommendations on appropriate general responsibilities, organisational relationships and roles of professionals in the field of Medical Physics;
  - proposing and developing guidelines for continuous professional development, registration and certification programmes (in close cooperation with E&T committee);
  - aiming for the recognition of the medical physics profession (as healthcare professionals) by the European Union and thus assisting in the mobility of medical physicists across the European Union Member States.
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# Present activities of the PMC

- PMC started an updated procedure on approval of national registration schemes (NRS) in 2018;
  - PMC chair gave a presentation on cooperation between medical physicists and radiographers during ECMP in Copenhagen;
  - PMC chair advised on situations where MPEs certified in one country want to work in other countries.
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# Future activities of the PMC

- (Re-)Approval of NRSs will be a continuous process;
  - To investigate national profiles of NMOs (in close cooperation with EFOMP General Secretary);
  - To lower thresholds for certified MPEs from one country that want to work in other European countries.
  - To broaden the field of interest for MPEs into Hospital Physics, Safety of Physical Agents (including ionizing radiation) and Physics of the Sensory Organs (Clinical Audiology/Videology including Neurophysiology);
  - To promote (further) cooperation between EFOMP and European organizations of medical professions (e.g. ESTRO, ESR, EANM but also UEMS).
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# Abbreviations used by EFOMP

ECMP	European Congress of Medical Physics
ETC	Education and Training Committee
EU	European Union
MP	Medical Physics or Medical Physicist
MPE	Medical Physics Expert
NMO	National Member Organization
NRS	National Registration Schemes
PMC	Professional Matters Committee



# Abbreviations used by EFOMP

EANM	European Association for Nuclear Medicine
EFOMP	European Federation of Organizations for Medical Physics
ESR	European Society for Radiology
ESTRO	European Society for Radiotherapy & Oncology
UEMS	Union Européenne des Médecins Spécialistes (European Union of Medical Specialists)





# General questions

- What is the EFOMP Board?

The EFOMP Board is formed by the President, the General Secretary, the Treasurer, and officers who chair the EFOMP committees. The Board directs the Federation, makes most of the decisions and prepares the decisions of the EFOMP Council.

- What is an EFOMP committee?

An EFOMP committee is a group of medical physicists working in Europe and representing EFOMP NMO's, led by an EFOMP officer that chairs the committee. EFOMP has 6 such committees which target on the following subjects: Communication, Science, Projects, Education & Training, Professional Matters and European Matters.

EFOMP committees consist of a committee chair, a vice-chair or past-chair, a secretary and members.

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# General questions

- How to become an EFOMP committee chair?

NMO presidents are invited by EFOMP to present candidates for a vacant committee vice-chair position. The EFOMP Council elects one of the candidates as the new committee vice-chair, who eventually will become the committee chair. The period for a vice-chair or past chair is one year and for a chair two years. Periods range from 1 January until 31 December.

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- How about EFOMP committee chairs and EFOMP officers?

All committee chairs are EFOMP officers. Together with the President, the General Secretary, the Treasurer, they form the EFOMP Board.

- What are the tasks and duties of an EFOMP officer?

In the role of committee chair they lead their committee and as a Board member they decide on EFOMP policy and committee tasks. They also form a bridge between the EFOMP Board and their committees.

