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Chair	David Penson, MD
Terms of Office	Chair: ex-officio AUA Secretary 4 years (non-renewable) Members: 2 years (renewable)

Committee Makeup

The IMC consists of an international member representative from each country/region that has at least 75 members in AUA's international membership category as well as the three Associate Secretaries. The IMC is chaired by the AUA Secretary. Committee members will be appointed by the relevant association/society in each country/region that qualifies for IMC membership.

The size of the committee can expand as countries/regions begin to participate in the AUA via membership. Each year before the Annual Meeting and before committee appointments are made in June, the AUA will conduct an official membership count to determine if a new country/region representative should be appointed to the IMC. Currently, the IMC includes 20 member countries.

Vision/Mission/Purpose

The Committee serves to provide guidance and support to the AUA as it strives to be the leading international urologic association serving the global community. This includes helping build an understanding of the needs and specific issues faced by the international community, growing AUA's international membership, enhancing member engagement and expanding the AUA's member offerings to the global community.

Committee Meetings

The committee will meet in-person at the AUA Annual Meeting and additional communication will take place via email or other online communities at the discretion of the chair.

Time Commitment

Chair: 20-30 hours annually

Member: 10-15 hours annually

Responsibilities

Chair: The position of Chair is filled by the AUA Secretary who oversees recommendations to the Board of Directors on issues concerning international urologists, residents and the urology community at large.

Members: Provide recommendations on issues to international urologists specifically from their home countries/regions and assist in identifying and reporting urologic educational needs of home countries/regions to the Secretary. Support AUA member recruitment and retention efforts in their respective country and serve as a liaison/advocate for AUA's collaborations in the country/region.



Criteria for Selecting New Members

The association/society for each country that qualifies for IMC membership will recommend an individual to serve on the IMC as that country's representative. The recommendation will need to be approved by the Secretary. All recommended IMC representatives must meet the following qualifications:

- Be a member in good standing of the AUA
- Occupy a leadership position within the relevant country's association/society
- Be able to serve for a minimum of two years on the IMC and ideally throughout their term on their respective country's association/society's leadership team
- Be willing and able to dedicate time and energy to the mission and goals of the IMC
- Being willing and able to support AUA member recruitment and retention efforts within their country
- Attend the in-person IMC meeting that takes place every year in conjunction with the AUA Annual Meeting
- Participate in AUA-related activities held in the home country/region such as scientific sessions or "Get to Know the AUA" membership-related events/presentations, etc. and serve as a liaison and advocate for AUA's collaborations in the country/region.
- Bi-lingual communication proficiency in both the home country's native language and English.

Recent Accomplishments 2024

- Supported the launch of the Global Residents Leadership Retreat, sending a resident representative to the inaugural event hosted at the 2023 Annual Meeting.
- Supported the recruitment and retention of members in partner countries by distributing marketing materials through local society.
- Increased participation in AUA's Global Connections newsletter, AUA News Case Reports and other AUA publications.