

EAPC Congress Scientific Committee 2027

The 21st World Congress of the European Association for Palliative Care will take place in Glasgow, United Kingdom, 20 – 22 May 2027.

EAPC are now looking for nominations to join the 2027 Scientific Committee.

The role of the Scientific Committee

The Scientific Committee is approved by the EAPC board and are responsible for the scientific content of the congress programme. The committee is a multi-professional group, representative of a range of professionals from clinical practice, research, education and policy development. The scientific committee must reflect diversity and inclusion with regard to gender, race, nationality and other protected characteristics.

The Scientific Committee are responsible for:

- Selection and invitation of plenary and themed session speakers.
- Creation of the scientific programme (including plenary, themed and oral abstract sessions), this is supported by the EAPC head office congress team.
- Selection of the EAPC Research Award winners.
- Selection of Poster Abstract Award winners.
- Selection and invitation of special award winners (for example Floriani and Ventafridda Lecture)

Members of the Scientific Committee are expected to:

- Attend one in person and approximately 6 online meetings over an 18 month period.
- Participate in the review and selection process for themed sessions.
- Participate in the review process of submitted abstracts.
- Chair sessions at the congress.
- Help to promote the congress through their professional networks.

Criteria for selection of Scientific Committee members:

- Recognised nationally and internationally as an expert in the field of palliative care.
- Able to communicate in verbal and written English.
- Published in high impact journals.
- Must be a current member of an EAPC national association. (therefore are eligible for EAPC membership).

2027 expected timeline:

September 2025 – nomination of scientific committee members by EAPC national associations.

October 2025 – EAPC board review nominations and select committee members.

November 2025 – First online meeting of the 2027 Scientific Committee. Discussion around plenary/keynote speakers to invite, special awards, and proposals for themed sessions.

January 2026 – call for themed session proposals launched, plenary speakers invited.

February/March 2026 – online Scientific Committee meeting to review and decide themed sessions.

July 2026 – abstract submission opens.

October 2026 – abstract submission closes.

November 2026 – Abstract review process, all members to participate as a reviewer.

December 2026 – In-person meeting of committee to discuss abstract submissions and plan programme. Venue to be decided.

May 2027 – EAPC Congress

Reimbursement: What you can expect from EAPC:

For the congress:

- Complimentary congress registration for 2027 congress
- 3 nights' accommodation organised by EAPC
- Travel expenses up to a maximum of €200.

For in-person scientific committee meeting:

- 1 night accommodation organised by EAPC.
- Economy class (rail/air) travel expenses.

Notes on reimbursements:

- Complimentary congress registrations are non-transferable.
- Additional accommodation expenses for double occupancy or extra nights are not covered.
- EAPC will only reimburse economy air and rail fares.
- EAPC will only reimburse public transport transfers to the venue/airport/train station. If a taxi or other private transfer is required, this must be pre-approved by EAPC.
- Reimbursement of travel expenses will be processed after the meeting or congress on production of valid receipts and the completion of an EAPC guest expense form.
- All travel reimbursement claims must be submitted before the submission deadline. Claims submitted after this date will not be processed.

How to apply

To be considered for a place on the 2027 Scientific Committee please [complete this form](#) before 23.45 CEST on 28 September 2025.

Successful applicants will be notified in October 2025.