

# **FAQ about the SOE-YO General Assembly and election:**

NR= National representative YO= Young ophthalmologists

## When and where?

Elections when possible, should take place at the SOE Congress in the SOE-YO lounge.

## What is the election about?

The election of the seats for the SOE-YO Committee.

#### Who is electable?

All National Representatives

## How many seats are available?

5 seats. The president and the president elect are not on election to secure continuity.

#### How do I know whom to vote on?

Every candidate is encouraged to send a short description of agenda and CV for the SOE-YO homepage, 2 weeks before the conference. Each candidate may have a two minutes talk before the election. A list of candidates will be distributed at the general assembly. However, it's possible to give candidature at the general assembly. All candidates will be given a 2 min speech before the election.

## Who can vote to elect the SOE-YO committee?

Only SOE-YO National Representatives (or their legal substitute) who are physically present are allowed to vote.

### What if I am not a NR - what am I electable for?

All YO's within Europe is electable for our subcommittees. Ordinary SOE-YOs can run for election as well, if not enough National Representatives are running for a seat in the committee.

### I am not a NR - should I come?

YES!!!

The SOE-YO is the association for all YO's within Europe.

All who want's to be part of the SOE-YO can step forward.

This is the time when all the YO's of Europe can get a political voice and get its views on the SOE agenda.

Why is it important that all NR comes for the general assembly?



The General Assembly is only legal if more than 50% for the NR ( or their legal substitute) is present.

## I am an NR – but I am not able to come to this years meeting.

You should send a legal substitute – the official secound NR.

### What should I do if I want to run for election?

Send an email for Jelena Potic email jelena.potic@gmail.com

It's desirable if candidates give their candidature at least 2 weeks before the meeting.

However, it may be possible to give candidature at the General Assembly.

Possible candidates will be encouraged to send a short description of agenda and CV for the SOE-YO homepage.

Physical presence at the SOE-meeting is not mandatory to be elected, since a substitute can read up their speech if needed.

## I am a NR / or a YO from a country only associated with SOE:

Countries who are associated members of SOE, can also nominate a SOE-YO National Representative. But these National Representatives can't vote at the General Assembly and can't become members of the SOE-YO committee.

Bur they are more than welcome to take part in subcommittees and to talk at the General Assembly.