

Constitution Committee

Aim: To review and recommend revisions to the WFSA constitutional documents – Articles of Associations and By-Laws - as required in order to support a proper and effective governance of the organisation.

Membership: The Constitution Committee shall include individuals which represent the six geographical regions of the WFSA, including the Chair. The Board Secretary shall also be a member of the Committee. The Committee may invite anaesthesiologists and other professionals with recognized expertise to join as co-opted members. The co-opted members will need Board approval before being appointed. Members of the Constitution Committee shall serve a two-year term between the General Assembly during WCA2026 (Marrakech, Morocco) until the General Assembly during WCA2028 (Vancouver, Canada) when a new Constitution Committee will be nominated as detailed in the By-laws and Administrative Manual.

Reporting Relationship: The Constitution Committee will report regularly through its Chair to the Board Secretary, liaising as relevant with the Director of Memberships, the Secretariat's Head of Programmes, and Chairs of other Committees; the Board Secretary will then report on the Committee's behalf to the WFSA Board. The Committee Chair is expected to regularly update the committee's activities on the WFSA Committee Update Tool (WFSA-CUT). A brief committee report or presentation may be requested summarising current activities for the Committee Chairs' meetings and Council meetings. An annual summary of current and future activities may be requested to be presented in person or in writing at the Annual Council meeting. The Constitution Committee may request support from the WFSA Secretariat. The principal liaison points for the Secretariat committee are the Chief Executive Officer and the Governance Manager.

Scope and duties:

- Recommend to the Board and Council amendments to the constitutional documents that it considers will facilitate the work of the WFSA
- Ensure that the latest version of the Articles of Associations and By-Laws is available to all members of the WFSA
- Guide the process of constitutional revision
- Ensure that the Administrative Manual and the WFSA policies are in line with the By-laws

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- Guide the Council in presenting proposed amendments, with explanation, at the relevant meeting of the General Assembly; three months' notice is required
- Contribute to UiA and/or ATOTW at least once per term.

Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) Committee

Aim: To promote diversity, equity, and inclusion within the global anesthesia community

Membership: The Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Committee shall include individuals which represent the six geographical regions of the WFSA, including the Chair and Deputy Chair. The Director of Programmes shall also be an ex-officio (without voting rights) member of the Committee. The Committee may invite anaesthesia providers and other professionals with recognized expertise to join as co-opted members. The co-opted members will need Board approval before being appointed. Members of the DEI Committee shall serve a two-year term between the General Assembly during WCA2026 (Marrakech, Morocco) until the General Assembly during WCA2028 (Vancouver, Canada) when a new DEI Committee will be nominated as detailed in the By-laws and Administrative Manual.

Reporting Relationship: The DEI Committee will report regularly through its Chair to the Director of Programmes, liaising as relevant with the Director of Memberships, the Secretariat's Head of Programmes, and Chairs of other Committees; the Director of Programmes will then report on the Committee's behalf to the WFSA Board. The Committee Chair (Deputy Chair may be asked to assist) is expected to regularly update the committee's activities on the WFSA Committee Update Tool (WFSA-CUT). A brief committee report or presentation may be requested summarising current activities for the Committee Chairs' meetings and Council Meetings. An annual summary of current and future activities may be requested to be presented in person or in writing at the Annual Council meeting. The DEI Committee may request support from the WFSA Secretariat.

Scope and duties:

- Evaluate and promote DEI within the WFSA programs as well as broader anaesthesia community
- Share information and best practices, and collaborate with similar groups promoting DEI within WFSA member societies and partner organizations



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- Plan workshops, leadership training programmes, and seminars for anaesthesia providers especially from disadvantaged and underrepresented backgrounds
- Promote, support, and organize educational programmes and research projects on DEI and related topics
- Promote, support, and organize activities for International Day of Women and Girls in Science on 11 February and International Women's Day on 8 March
- Collaborate with the Secretariat on a biennial review of the WFSA DEI policy, evaluate the implementation of the WFSA DEI policy in practice, and encourage conformity
- Contribute to UiA and/or ATOTW at least once per term.

Education Committee

Aim: To develop and support high quality education within the WFSA

Membership: The Education Committee shall include individuals which represent the six geographical regions of the WFSA, including the Chair and Deputy Chair. The Director of Programmes shall also be a member of the Committee. The Committee may invite anaesthesiologists and other professionals with recognized expertise to join as co-opted members. The co-opted members will need Board approval before being appointed. Members of the Education Committee shall serve a two-year term between the General Assembly during WCA2026 (Marrakech, Morocco) until the General Assembly during WCA2028 (Vancouver, Canada) when a new Education Committee will be nominated as detailed in the By-laws and Administrative Manual.

Reporting Relationship: The Education Committee will report regularly through its Chair to the Director of Programmes, liaising as relevant with the Director of Memberships, the Secretariat's Head of Programmes, and Chairs of other Committees; the Director of Programmes will then report on the Committee's behalf to the WFSA Board. The Committee Chair (Deputy Chair may be asked to assist) is expected to regularly update the committee's activities on the WFSA Committee Update Tool (WFSA-CUT). A brief committee report or presentation may be requested summarising current activities for the Committee Chairs' meetings and Council Meetings. An annual summary of current and future activities may be requested to be presented in person or in writing at the Annual Council meeting. The

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Education Committee may request support from the WFSA Secretariat. The principal liaison points for the committee in the Secretariat is the Head of Programmes.

Scope and duties:

- Assist with the development and implementation of the WFSA educational strategy and programmes
- Provide education expertise to other WFSA educational projects and those of our partners as requested
- Liaise with other WFSA Committees and Working Groups providing Educational activities (e.g. SAFE, INSPIRE) on their respective education strategy
- Monitor and report on education and training programmes in which the WFSA Education committee plays a key role (e.g. Fellowship Programme), with the support of the Secretariat
- Assist with the review of endorsement requests for external educational activities
- Contribute to UiA and/or ATOTW at least once per term.

Intensive and Critical Care Medicine (ICCM) Committee

Aim: To provide support, training, and education for healthcare providers delivering critical care medicine

Membership: The ICCM Committee shall include individuals which represent the six geographical regions of the WFSA, including the Chair and Deputy Chair. The Director of Programmes shall also be a member of the Committee. The Committee may invite anaesthesiologists and other professionals with recognized expertise to join as co-opted members. The co-opted members will need Board approval before being appointed. Members of the ICCM Committee shall serve a two-year term between the General Assembly during WCA2026 (Marrakech, Morocco) until the General Assembly during WCA2028 (Vancouver, Canada) when a new ICCM Committee will be nominated as detailed in the By-laws and Administrative Manual.

Reporting Relationship: The ICCM Committee will report regularly through its Chair to the Director of Programmes, liaising as relevant with the Director of Memberships, the Secretariat's Head of Programmes, and Chairs of other Committees; the Director of Programmes will then report on the Committee's behalf to the WFSA Board. The Committee

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Chair (Deputy Chair may be asked to assist) is expected to regularly update the committee's activities on the WFSA Committee Update Tool (WFSA-CUT). A brief committee report or presentation may be requested summarising current activities for the Committee Chairs' meetings and Council Meetings. An annual summary of current and future activities may be requested to be presented in person or in writing at the Annual Council meeting. The ICCM Committee may request support from the WFSA Secretariat.

Scope and duties:

- Promote and support local and regional organization, communication and collaboration to develop locally relevant critical care best practices
- Develop and/or disseminate critical care educational materials in collaboration with other Committees and outside organizations, after Board approval
- Foster high quality research relevant to ICCM including obtaining research grants in collaboration with the WFSA Secretariat, Scientific and other relevant Committees
- Work in collaboration with other WFSA Committees and outside organisations with similar interests to advance the care of patients needing ICCM
- To serve as a globally recognized resource on matters or projects related to ICCM especially related to resource constrained settings
- Contribute to UiA and/or ATOTW at least once per term.

Obstetric Anaesthesia Committee

Aim: To provide support, training and education for anaesthesia providers who care for pregnant women across the world, with particular focus on resource constrained settings.

Membership: The Obstetric Anaesthesia Committee shall include individuals which represent the six geographical regions of the WFSA, including the Chair and Deputy Chair. The Director of Programmes shall also be a member of the Committee. The Committee may invite anaesthesiologists and other professionals with recognized expertise to join as co-opted members. The co-opted members will need Board approval before being appointed. Members of the Obstetric Anaesthesia Committee shall serve a two-year term between the General Assembly during WCA2026 (Marrakech, Morocco) until the General Assembly during WCA2028 (Vancouver, Canada) when a new Obstetric Anaesthesia Committee will be nominated as detailed in the By-laws and Administrative Manual.

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Scope and duties:

- Develop educational and training materials in obstetric anaesthesia
- Support and develop WFSA publications covering obstetric anaesthesia
- Support and develop WFSA educational activity covering obstetric anaesthesia
- Ensure relevant WFSA guidelines and standards are appropriate
- Seek funding and other support for the activity of the WFSA and for expanding such activity
- Contribute to UiA and/or ATOTW at least once per term.

Paediatric Anaesthesia Committee

Aim: To support, training and education for anaesthesia providers globally so that they are able to provide safe, high quality perioperative care for children

Membership: The Paediatric Anaesthesia Committee shall include individuals which represent the six geographical regions of the WFSA, including the Chair and Deputy Chair. The Director of Programmes shall also be a member of the Committee. The Committee may invite anaesthesiologists and other professionals with recognized expertise to join as co-opted members. The co-opted members will need Board approval before being appointed. Members of the Paediatric Anaesthesia Committee shall serve a two-year term between the General Assembly during WCA2026 (Marrakech, Morocco) until the General Assembly during WCA2028 (Vancouver, Canada) when a new Paediatric Anaesthesia Committee will be nominated as detailed in the By-laws and Administrative Manual.

Reporting Relationship: The Paediatric Anaesthesia Committee will report regularly through its Chair to the Director of Programmes, liaising as relevant with the Director of Memberships, the Secretariat's Head of Programmes, and Chairs of other Committees; the Director of Programmes will then report on the Committee's behalf to the WFSA Board. The Committee Chair (Deputy Chair may be asked to assist) is expected to regularly update the committee's activities on the WFSA Committee Update Tool (WFSA-CUT). A brief committee report or presentation may be requested summarising current activities for the Committee Chairs' meetings and Council Meetings. An annual summary of current and future activities may be requested to be presented in person or in writing at the Annual Council meeting. The Paediatric Anaesthesia Committee may request support from the WFSA Secretariat.

Scope and duties:

- Develop educational and training materials in paediatric anaesthesia on behalf of the WFSA
- Develop and support WFSA publications on paediatric anaesthesia topics
- Develop and support WFSA educational activities relating to paediatric anaesthesia
- Ensure relevant WFSA guidelines and standards pertaining to the perioperative care of children are appropriate
- Seek funding and other support for the activity of the WFSA and for expanding such activity
- Contribute to UiA and/or ATOTW at least once per term.

Pain Management Committee

Aim: To provide support, training and education for anaesthesia practitioners (both medical and non-medical) who specialise in or have a special interest in pain management (acute, chronic and cancer), with particular focus on resource-constrained settings.

Membership: The Pain Management Committee shall include individuals which represent the six geographical regions of the WFSA, including the Chair and Deputy Chair. The Director of Programmes shall also be a member of the Committee. The Committee may invite anaesthesiologists and other professionals with recognized expertise to join as co-opted members. The co-opted members will need Board approval before being appointed. Members of the Pain Management Committee shall serve a two-year term between the

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Reporting Relationship: The Pain Management Committee will report regularly through its Chair to the Director of Programmes, liaising as relevant with the Director of Memberships, the Secretariat's Head of Programmes, and Chairs of other Committees; the Director of Programmes will then report on the Committee's behalf to the WFSA Board. The Committee Chair (Deputy Chair may be asked to assist) is expected to regularly update the committee's activities on the WFSA Committee Update Tool (WFSA-CUT). A brief committee report or presentation may be requested summarising current activities for the Committee Chairs' meetings and Council Meetings. An annual summary of current and future activities may be requested to be presented in person or in writing at the Annual Council meeting. The Pain Management Committee may request support from the WFSA Secretariat.

Scope and duties:

- Develop educational and training materials in pain management
- Support and develop WFSA publications covering pain management
- Support and develop WFSA educational activity covering pain management
- Ensure relevant WFSA guidelines and standards are appropriate
- Seek funding and other support for the activity of the WFSA and for expanding such activity
- Contribute to UiA and/or ATOTW at least once per term.

Safety and Quality Committee

Aim: To promote the highest standards of safety and quality in anaesthesiology internationally

Membership: The Safety and Quality Committee shall include individuals which represent the six geographical regions of the WFSA, including the Chair and Deputy Chair. The Director of Programmes shall also be a member of the Committee. The Committee may invite anaesthesiologists and other professionals with recognized expertise to join as co-opted members. The co-opted members will need Board approval before being appointed. Members of the Safety and Quality Committee shall serve a two-year term between the

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Scope and duties:

- Foster safe and high-quality anaesthesia practice by all Member Societies
- Maintain, disseminate and advocate for the "International Standards for a Safe Practice of Anaesthesia"
- Ensure strong relations with standards setting bodies such as ISO
- Ensure effective communication of innovative practices having considered the financial and social constraints that may prevent their adoption by all Member Societies
- Develop partnerships with other organisations who share our values regarding safety and quality
- Seek new methods to implement safe practices throughout the world
- Manage the WFSA's Innovation Awards (with the Scientific Programme Committee)
- Seek funding and other support for the activity of the WFSA and for expanding such activity
- Promote, support, and organise activities for World Patient Safety Day
- Contribute to UiA and/or ATOTW at least once per term.

Sustainability Committee

Aim: The function of the Sustainability Committee is to engage with WFSA, other societies and peer medical associations around sustainability in anaesthesia. The healthcare industry has a disproportionately large environmental footprint that affects our communities and patients. The operating room is the largest consumer of resource and producer of waste in most hospitals, and anaesthesia is an essential service and so resilience and adaptive capacity to a rapidly changing environment are essential.

Environmental health and sustainability is an issue that currently spans multiple WFSA committees and membership societies. The subject touches upon professionalism, practice management, leadership, ethics, public health, population health, equipment and facilities, medication management, and resource stewardship/scarcity of resources.

Membership: The Sustainability Committee shall include individuals which represent the six geographical regions of the WFSA, including the Chair and Deputy Chair. The Director of Programmes shall also be a member of the Committee. The Committee may invite anaesthesiologists and other professionals with recognized expertise to join as co-opted members. The co-opted members will need Board approval before being appointed. Members of the Sustainability Committee shall serve a two-year term between the General Assembly during WCA2026 (Marrakech, Morocco) until the General Assembly during WCA2028 (Vancouver, Canada) when a new Sustainability Committee will be nominated as detailed in the By-laws and Administrative Manual.

Reporting Relationship: The Sustainability Committee will report regularly through its Chair to the Director of Programmes, liaising as relevant with the Director of Memberships, the Secretariat's Head of Programmes, and Chairs of other Committees; the Director of Programmes will then report on the Committee's behalf to the WFSA Board. The Committee Chair (Deputy Chair may be asked to assist) is expected to regularly update the committee's activities on the WFSA Committee Update Tool (WFSA-CUT). A brief committee report or presentation may be requested summarising current activities for the Committee Chairs' meetings and Council Meetings. An annual summary of current and future activities may be requested to be presented in person or in writing at the Annual Council meeting. The Sustainability Committee may request support from the WFSA Secretariat.

Scope and duties:



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- Educate and promote environmental stewardship best practices, policies, and strategies among WFSA member societies through the continuum of education and advocacy programs. Educational activities include helping to develop educational sessions at the World Congress of Anaesthesiology as well as webinars.
- Evaluate and promote resilience and adaptation methods to optimize perioperative care and pain management in a rapidly changing environment. Example work products include: Evaluate and suggest approaches to optimize surgical care in the setting of extreme storms and flooding, wildfires and associated hazardous air quality
- Assist and guide WFSA leadership and administration on matters of corporate social/environmental sustainability best practices. Example work products include: Suggesting a carbon footprint assessment for the WFSA and member organizations yearly report; Assessing environmental impact of annual meeting facilities and events
- Convene groups for the development of policy statements, and to evaluate potential environmental health impacts of existing WFSA practices, policies, standards, and practice parameters, to provide feedback as appropriate
- Provide feedback via WFSA leadership to governmental and accreditation agencies regarding the environmental and potential population health impacts of regulatory mandates that influence anaesthesia practice
- Develop environmental stewardship and resilience performance metrics; for example, metrics aimed to minimize fresh gas flows and generation of solid or pharmaceutical waste, and workforce disaster preparedness and surge capacity
- Collaboration with other WFSA committees, membership organizations, and external organizations, accomplished through liaison roles fulfilled by the committee Chair or their delegates; for example, provide representation at relevant WHO meetings, e.g. the World Health Summit, World Health Assembly, and COP meetings
- Contribute to UiA and/or ATOTW at least once per term.

Workforce Wellbeing Committee

Aim: To support WFSA member societies to improve and maintain workforce well-being in anaesthesia providers globally

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Scope and duties:

- Develop educational and training materials to support workforce well-being
- Support and develop WFSA publications covering workforce well-being
- Support and develop WFSA educational activity for workforce well-being
- Ensure relevant WFSA guidelines and standards are appropriate
- Seek funding and other support for the activity of the WFSA and for expanding such activity
- Contribute to UiA and/or ATOTW at least once per term.