

Join the Scientific Organizing Committee for the 2026 FEBS-IUBMB-ENABLE PhD and Postdoc Conference

OPEN CALL

FEBS Constituent Societies are invited to nominate one of their young members (a PhD student or junior postdoc) to join the **Scientific Organizing Committee (SOC)** for the **2026 FEBS-IUBMB-ENABLE Conference**. Interested Societies should submit their nominations by **23 April 2025** by completing the attached form and sending it to reyes@febs.org. Only one nomination can be submitted per Society.

The <u>FEBS-IUBMB-ENABLE conferences</u> are international, interdisciplinary three-day events **organized by and for young researchers** in the molecular life sciences, bringing together up to 300 participants from around the world. The 2026 FEBS-IUBMB-ENABLE conference will be hosted by the <u>Faculty of Biochemistry</u>, <u>Biophysics and Biotechnology</u> <u>at Jagiellonian University</u>, in Krakow, Poland, in November 2026. (The official announcement of the host institution will be made in mid-April.)

Prof. Irene Díaz-Moreno Chair of FEBS Careers of Young Scientists Committee

More information about the call

The **Scientific Organizing Committee (SOC)** is an international team of young scientists (PhD students and postdocs) responsible for shaping the scientific program of the conference. The SOC defines the conference theme, invites speakers, designs the overall program, coordinates communication efforts, and seeks sponsorship opportunities.

To ensure members can fully contribute to the planning, applications are encouraged primarily from first- and second-year PhD students. However, third-year PhD students and early-career postdocs (with at least two years remaining on their contract) are also welcome to apply. **Candidates must be a member of a FEBS Constituent Society**. Only one nomination can be submitted per Society.

The SOC 2026 will consist of 12 members, including:

- 2 representatives from the 2026 host institution (Jagiellonian University, Poland)
- 2 representatives from the 2025 host institution (CRUK Scotland Institute, UK)
- 2 representatives from each of the ENABLE network institutes (<u>IRB Barcelona</u>, Spain, and the <u>European School of Molecular Medicine</u>, Italy)



- 1 representative from FEBS
- 1 representative from IUBMB
- For the first time, 2 representatives from FEBS Constituent Societies!

The newly formed SOC 2026 will meet for the first time in Krakow in late May/early June (exact dates to be confirmed) for a two-day site visit and kickoff meeting. Two additional in-person meetings will take place in the following months, while the rest of the work be conducted remotely. The expenses for selected candidates will be covered by FEBS.

For any enquiries, please contact <u>reyes@febs.org</u>.



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NOMINATION FORM

Candidate's contact details

Full name	
Current position	
Please indicate if you are a PhD	
student or postdoc, and the start date	
of your current position	
Gender (optional)	
Institution and address	
Email	
National Society	
Please indicate the FEBS Constituent	
Society of which you are a member	

Candidate's application

Motivation Please write a brief statement on why you want to be part of the FEBS- IUBMB-ENABLE organizing team. <i>(max.</i> <i>150 words)</i>	
Skills and experience Please describe any relevant skills or previous experience in similar organizational activities. <i>(max. 150 words)</i>	
Commitment statement Please confirm your commitment to the 1.5-year organization process (attending regular online meetings and 2-3 in-person meetings) if selected.	 Yes, I commit to the organization of the event. No, I am unable to commit.

Signature (Society representative):	Signature (candidate):
Name (Society representative):	Name (candidate):

Date:



The Society representative should e-mail the completed form and a copy of the candidate's certificate of membership to their National Society to Marta Reyes (reyes@febs.org), Manager of FEBS Careers of Young Scientists Committee, by **23 April 2025**.

The applications received will be evaluated by members of the FEBS-IUBMB-ENABLE team. Shortlisted candidates will be invited for an online interview in late April/early May.