**Call for Nominations from FEBS Constituent Societies: Scientific Organizing Committee for the 2027 FEBS-IUBMB-ENABLE 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 **6th FEBS-IUBMB-ENABLE International Molecular Bioscience PhD and Postdoc Conference**. Interested Societies should submit their nominations by **10 April 2026** by completing the attached form and sending it to reyes@febs.org. **Only one nomination can be submitted per Society**.

The FEBS-IUBMB-ENABLE conferences 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 2027 FEBS-IUBMB-ENABLE conference will be hosted by the Laboratoire d'Ingénierie des Systèmes Macro-moléculaires (LISM) in Marseille, France, in November 2027.

## Nomination and selection process

1. FEBS Constituent Societies should select the candidate. The candidate must complete the **nomination form** attached, which must be signed by the candidate and a representative from the Society. The Society representative should email the completed form, together with a copy of the candidate's **certificate of membership** to their National Society, to reyes@febs.org.
2. Preselected candidates will be invited to a short online interview with members of the FEBS-IUBMB-ENABLE Executive Board during the third or fourth week of April (exact dates to be confirmed).
3. The FEBS-IUBMB-ENABLE Executive Board will select two candidates to join the SOC. The selected candidates will be notified by email shortly after the online interviews. **Selected candidates are expected to attend a two-day in-person kick-off meeting in Marseille** on 19-20 May 2026.

## More information about the call

The **Scientific Organizing Committee (SOC)** is an international team of young scientists (PhD students and junior 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**.

The SOC 2027 will consist of 12 members, including:

- 2 representatives from FEBS Constituent Societies;
- 2 representatives from the 2027 host institution (LISM, France);
- 2 representatives from the 2026 host institution (Jagiellonian University, Poland);
- 2 representatives from each of the ENABLE network institutions (IRB Barcelona, Spain, and the European School of Molecular Medicine, Italy);
- 1 representative from FEBS;
- 1 representative from IUBMB.

The newly formed SOC 2027 will meet for the first time in Marseille on 19–20 May (see above) for a two-day site visit and kick-off meeting. Two additional in-person meetings will take place in the following months, while the rest of the work be conducted remotely. **The travel expenses for the selected candidates will be covered by the FEBS-IUBMB conference grant**.

For any enquiries, please contact reyes@febs.org.



**Prof. Riccardo Miggiano**
Acting Chair of the FEBS Careers of Young Scientists Committee

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# NOMINATION FORM

**Candidate's contact details**

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| **Full name** | |
| **Current position and start date** | |
| **Gender** (optional) | |
| **Institution and address** | |
| **Email** | |
| **National Society** | |

**Candidate's application**

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| **Motivation**<br>Please write a brief statement on why you want to be part of the FEBS-IUBMB-ENABLE organizing team. *(max. 150 words)* |
| **Skills and experience**<br>Please describe any relevant skills or previous experience in similar organizational activities. *(max. 150 words)* |

Please confirm your commitment to the 1.5-year organization process and your availability to attend regular online meetings and 2–3 in-person meetings (including the in-person kick-off meeting in May 2026) if selected.

☐ Yes, I commit to the organization of the event.

☐ No, I am unable to commit.

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| Signature (candidate): | Signature (Society representative): |
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| Name (candidate): | Name (Society representative): |
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| Date: | Date: |
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Please email the completed form alongside a copy of the candidate's certificate of membership to their National Society to Marta Reyes (reyes@febs.org), Manager of FEBS Fellowships and Careers of Young Scientists Programmes, by **10 April 2026**.