



Emmaus Europe Elective General Assembly to be held during the April 2026 World Assembly

CALL FOR CANDIDATES

You are being invited to stand for election for the following post:

CHAIR OF EMMAUS EUROPE

The chosen candidate will take up their post on 17 April 2026 for a four-year period of office.

Please see below for a presentation of the remit of the Emmaus Europe Chair and the application procedure for this post.

Please submit your candidacy by **5 January 2026** to Emmaus Europe:

- Email : elections2026@emmaus-europe.org
- Post: 47, avenue de la Résistance - 93104 MONTREUIL Cedex - France



From 2026, election of the Europe Region representatives to sit on the Emmaus International Board and Emmaus Europe Regional Council will take place during the World Assembly (13-17 April 2026).

Following the elections, an initial two-hour Regional Council meeting will be held in person on 17 April 2026 at the end of the World Assembly.

ONE POST TO BE FILLED

The Chair of Emmaus Europe (EE) is elected by the General Assembly.

The Chair is responsible for carrying out the decisions of the General Assembly, Regional Council and Regional Executive. S/he chairs these bodies.

Candidates must speak at least one of the movement's three official languages (French, English and/or Spanish).

The Chair is elected for a four-year term of office, and can stand for re-election once.

The Chair represents Emmaus Europe from a legal perspective, in front of third parties and in legal proceedings within Europe.

The role of Chair constitutes a major commitment and therefore requires great dedication. The position puts you at the heart of a movement committed to social and environmental justice, solidarity and human dignity.

As Chair of Emmaus Europe, you will have the opportunity to take key decisions for the causes that we champion, undertake cross-border work, and help shape the future of Emmaus in Europe. If you believe in collective action and are willing to take up a truly meaningful leadership challenge, this post offers you a unique opportunity to have a long-lasting impact and make Emmaus Europe even more relevant for the region's 373 member groups.

Information about the role and estimation of the time needed

Please find below an **estimation** of the time needed to fulfil the role. Availability outside the set dates and times is often required.

The role takes up roughly **80 days a year** and varies depending on the distances to be travelled in accordance with meeting venues and the Chair's place of residence.

- Preparing for, chairing and co-leading the Regional Executive and Council meetings, in order to make collective decisions:
 - » Executives = **8 days a year**
(1.5 days of in-person meetings x2, and 3 two-hour online executives meetings, plus 2 days' travel, 2 days of preparation time)
 - » 2 Regional Councils per year = **9 days a year**
(2.5 days of meetings twice a year, plus 2 days' travel, and 4 days of preparation time)
- Following up work areas with the Chief Executive or the VP (vice-president) = **4 days a year**
(Video call for 1 hour a week, plus 1 hour of emails)
- Representing EE at the European Union = **11 days a year**
(6 days, plus 2 days to prepare for the meetings, plus 3 travel days)
- Monitoring the European groups and trial member groups = **11 days a year**
(6 days, plus 2 days to prepare for the meetings, plus 2 travel days)
- Participate in and speak at events arranged by EE and EE organisations (collectives, general Assemblies, etc.) = **11 days a year**
(6 days, plus 2 days to prepare for the meetings, plus 2 travel days)
- Monitoring specific issues = **6 days a year**
- The Chair must also be an elected CEI and in this respect must take part in EI's statutory meetings = **14 days a year**

Group compensation

The role of Chair requires a significant time commitment, which may impact the elected person's group. To ensure that this commitment does not discourage groups that are unable to compensate for this absence from standing for election, compensation may be requested for the 2026-2029 term of office. Paid at the request of the group concerned, this compensation allows for the possible replacement of the Chair in some of their duties within their group.

In the event of a group employee being elected, the compensation could be up to the equivalent of a part-time post calculated based on local salary rates (including social security contributions).

In the case of a volunteer, support may be provided in the form of covering communication costs.

In either case, the compensation cannot exceed €24,000 per year. Furthermore, Emmaus Europe covers all presidency-related travel expenses.

CANDIDACIES MUST INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION

1. A **CV**
2. A portrait **photo**
3. **Email contact** details
4. An **application cover letter** describing your view of the issues facing the movement in the coming years and your work aims, which will be incorporated into the future strategic plan. This strategic plan will then be drafted with the Regional Council and submitted to vote at the 2027 RAEE.
5. A **letter of endorsement** from your national organisation stating that it does not have any doubts about your integrity and honesty, and expressing its support for your application.

For more information, please refer to [Emmaus Europe's statutes](#) and team.