

EBC Endorsement Policy

Introduction

EBC is occasionally asked to endorse policy statements or documents created by other organisations, such as learned societies, patient organisations or groups brought together to support particular causes. For that purpose, EBC has developed a policy to ensure that its member organisations have adequate opportunity to consider these requests in order to make informed decisions.

Policy Guidelines

- EBC will not support applications for funding at national or EU level unless the EBC is a partner in the proposal. For further information, see the [EBC Project Policy](#)
 - EBC shall only support initiatives that are consistent with its missions and objectives and are approved by the EBC Board.
 - For approved initiatives, the EBC shall provide official letters of support but will not undertake further advocacy on their behalf.
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Process

- Requests by other organisations shall be included as items on the agenda of the following EBC Board Meeting to allow Board delegates the opportunity to consult their parent organisations, if needed.
- Decisions to provide endorsement shall be made according to a majority vote of delegates present at the Board Meeting.
- In the event that the request for endorsement includes a deadline which is incompatible with the Board Meeting dates, the proposal shall be emailed to the Board delegates. Replies to the Executive Director indicating lack of support shall be sent within two weeks and should reflect the agreed point of view of both delegates of the organisation concerned. The absence of such a reply within the specified period shall be taken as an indication of support. The Executive Director must then communicate the final vote and decision to the Board delegates.