

New National Groups within EUMA

Why a National Group?

EUMA's aims state that the Association wishes to establish National Groups in every European country. National Groups serve the members in that country in order to have structured activities, to exchange information and to build a stimulating professional network.

How to get started as a EUMA National Group?

First one becomes an individual member of EUMA (see FAQ1 "Who can apply for membership of EUMA?"). When there are three individual members in a country they can form a provisional National Committee of National Chairman, National Treasurer and National PR Officer.

The provisional National Committee needs great enthusiasm to carry the work of establishing a new group. A lot of effort is needed to do promotion, to organise meetings and to gain new members. A provisional National Committee is entitled to attend a Council meeting as Observers, until the National Group is ratified.

What support and mentoring does EUMA offer?

The EUMA European Committee has appointed *Karen Nanninga*, EUMA External Relations Officer, mentor for new groups. The mentor will provide information about EUMA, advice on the development of a new group, give presentations about EUMA, explain the EUMA guidelines and EUMA Statutes, etc. Another national group can also act as a mentor group.

When will the new National Group be accepted?

Before ratification by the Annual General Meeting of EUMA the number of members in the country is recommended to be a minimum of ten persons.

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