**Global Partnerships Committee Membership October 2025 – September 2028**

The Global Partnerships Committee is looking to recruit a new member to serve on the main committee from October 2025 for a term of three years. We are requesting expressions of interest from BSSH Fellows, both plastic and orthopaedic.

The Committee comprises a Chairperson, the BSSH President and Honorary Secretary, 3-5 elected members, a representative from the Global Trainee committee, a BFIRST representative and a BAHT representative.

**Upcoming meetings:**

* 15/12/2025: Committee Meeting – Virtual
* 05/02/2026: Committee Day (morning) – Face to face, Manchester

**Purpose of the Committee**

Our vision is to use the BSSH resources to deliver maximum possible benefit for patients in need of hand surgery in low socioeconomic countries. The Global Partnerships Committee develops and coordinates sustainable educational and surgical projects across these areas.

**General Responsibilities**

* Promotion of BSSH Global Partnership work to ensure projects are visible and accessible to all BSSH members
* Identifying projects in units where BSSH involvement will lead to sustainable long-term benefits
* Develop synergistic links with other voluntary organisations
* Regular liaison with BSSH Council and officers
* Exploration of additional funding streams to support BSSH Global Partnerships work
* Development of a hand surgery educational resource able to be tailored to local needs
* Maintain high standards of Governance in Overseas Trips and adhere to the BSSH Code of Conduct.

**The following credentials are required:**

* Full membership of the Society
* A demonstrable interest in overseas work
* An enthusiasm to actively participate in overseas projects as encouraged by the committee

If you are interested in being considered for membership of the Global Partnerships Committee, please register your expression of interest by completing the below form and emailing it to [**emily.lakin@bssh.ac.uk**](mailto:emily.lakin@bssh.ac.uk)by **22nd September 2025.**

**Mr Chrishan Mariathas  
Chair, Global Partnership Committee**

**Overseas Committee Membership Application form October 2025 – September 2028**

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| Name |  |
| Specialty (plastic or orthopaedic) |  |
| E-mail address |  |
| Town/City/Country |  |
| Year became a member of BSSH |  |
| Please list any BSSH committees served on |  |
| Please list any previous involvement with overseas work |  |
| How many BSSH scientific meetings have you attended 2020 -2025 inclusive? |  |
| Particular areas of expertise in Hand Surgery |  |
| Organisational skills  (20 word max) |  |
| Personal statement  (50 words max) |  |
| Do you have the time available for this commitment – please list your other significant commitments during the term (with dates) – e.g. clinical/medical director, roles with BAPRAS/BOA/BSSH/BFIRST |  |

Please email form back to [emily.lakin@bssh.ac.uk](mailto:emily.lakin@bssh.ac.uk)