

Gender Equality Committee, GEC

Chair: Sylvia Knapp, Austria (EFIS)

Vice-Chair: Ros Kemp, New Zealand (FIMSA)

Member Composition

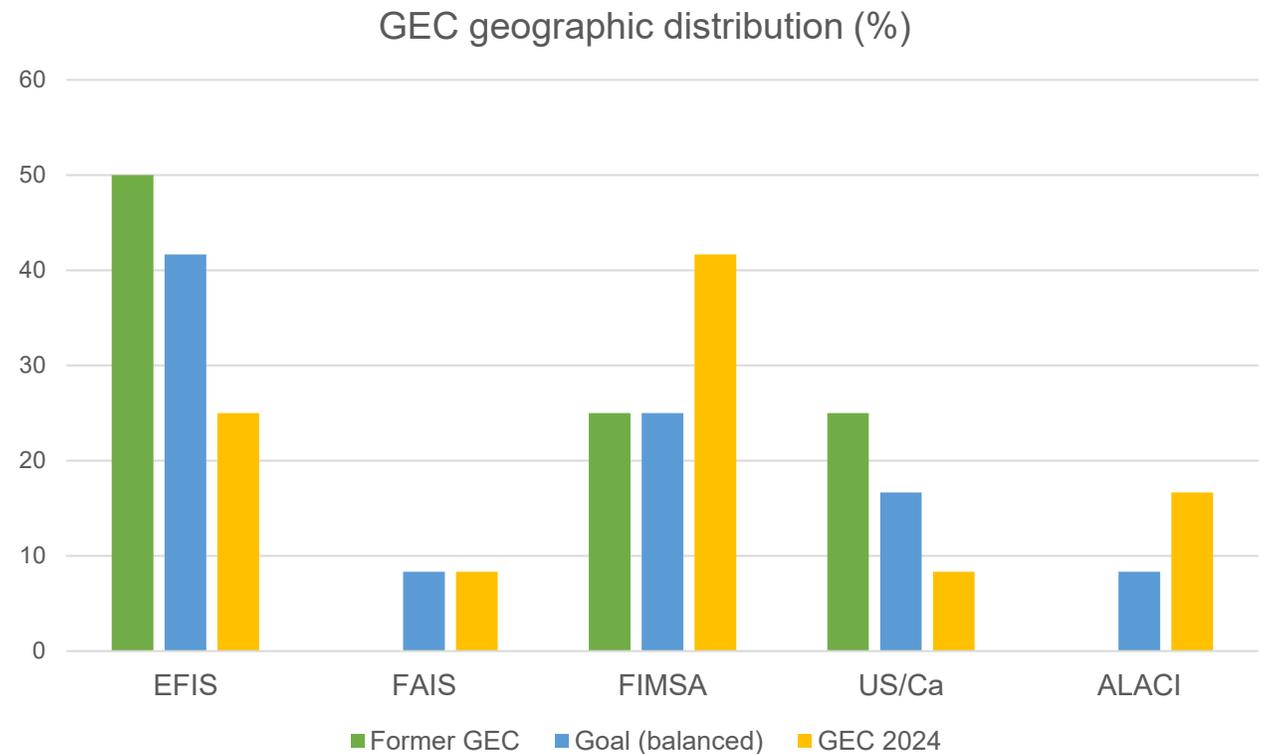


Members could apply after an open call with a LoM

- > Gender Balance: 9 female, 3 male
- > Geographic diversity: almost perfect

Members:

- Sylvia Knapp – Austria | EFIS
- Roslyn Kemp – New Zealand | FIMSA
- Marta Rizzi – Germany | EFIS
- Hannes Stockinger – Austria | EFIS
- Shymaa Enany – Egypt | FAIS
- Jess Borger – Australia | FIMSA
- Reiko Shinkura – Japan | FIMSA
- Rhea Longley – Australia | FIMSA
- Uma Kanga – India | FIMSA
- Ron N. Germain – USA
- Ruben D. Motrich – Argentina | ALACI
- Paula Licona Limon – Mexico | ALACI



Main Scientific Activities



Until now:

1. Supported Travel Fellowship to AAI and FOCIS courses (with EDU)
2. Set up a new Travel4Expertise grant for Caregivers
3. Worked on EXCEL award, call for Nominations closed, selection process started
4. GEC members wrote a perspective on “Enhancing Strategies for Advancing Women in Healthcare”

Decided on new & continued activities:

1. Continue Travel4Expertise grant for Caregivers
2. Intensify search for funding of EXCEL award
3. Announce support for gender balance at federal immunology meetings (#competition4females)
4. Start data project to obtain (and publish) clear numbers about actual gender equity in societies, federations and major immunology conferences (including IUIS_2025)

Collaboration with other Committees



1. As part of travel fellowship program we collaborated with EDU
2. We plan to intensify collaboration with the Junior IUIS community to “rejuvenate”, amplify, and intensify gender equity activities
3. There might be more “potential” ...