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*\*all office terms are carried out from October to October of the respective years*

**1. Please give a short overview of the main tasks and duties of the Pre-Day and Lunch Symposia Committee?**

We develop the topics based on previous years and points of interest. I tried to apply a systematic procedure, arranging faculty for basics and clinics on different fields, such as deformities, fractures, degenerative or cervical. One basic and one clinical each day, and covering all the fields. Since last year we tried to involve other Societies, such as CSRS or NASS

**2. Are all tasks shared equally amongst the committee members or do you split the tasks in a project-oriented manner? Please exemplify / what are your tasks as Chair of the Pre-Day and Lunch Symposia Committee?**

The main responsibility lies with the chair and within the committee we discuss our various options, which I then present to the ExCom for the final decision.

**3. What was your motivation to apply for the Pre-Day and Lunch Symposia Committee?**

I have been involved in EUROSPINE since many years and like to be part of the educational projects, so it was a logical step to apply for the position

**4. When the chair position for the Pre-Day and Lunch Symposia Committee was vacant, how did you perceive the transition from being a committee member to becoming the chair of the committee?**

I was previously involved as member of this committee, so it was an easy transition.

**5. Personally, what have you gained from your interaction with the Pre-Day and Lunch Symposia Committee and EUROSPINE in general?**

Met people from all around Europe.

**6. Are you looking forward to interacting with EUROSPINE more after your term as Chair of the Pre-Day and Lunch Symposia Committee, if so in which manner and why?**

After a rest I will probably apply to another position.

**7. Imagine your term comes to an end and you are responsible to find a replacement – what traits would you be looking for in an applicant?**

To have a background in organising courses.

**8. Would you recommend EUROSPINE members to apply for a position within the Pre-Day and Lunch Symposia Committee and why?**

Yes. All the members of the society should be involved, although only those with experience should be selected.