

## **REGIONAL GROUP CHARTER**

### **DECENTRALISED RESPONSIBILITIES**

Each Regional Group will have the following responsibilities:

- drawing up concise rules of procedure, which will not conflict, in any way, with the letter and spirit of the By-Laws and of the Rules of Procedure of the national Association;
- carrying out all actions of communication, dissemination of the image of the profession and of the Association, and self-regulation that are of interest to the members of the Group (including advertising, as well as drafting, printing, and publication of any regional members' directory);
- putting forward proposals for the organisation and management of Continuing Professional Development (CPD) initiatives, in coordination with the national CPD Committee and the Governing Board;
- covering expenses for contacts with the Governing Board, excluding those incurred by members in the performance of national duties, which will be reimbursed by the national Treasurer;
- setting up the Regional Admissions Committee, and other local committees, if any;
- deciding on and managing any dues to be paid by regional members to cover the organisational and administrative expenses of the Regional Group;
- managing, in full autonomy, the share of national dues that General Meetings may assign to the Regional Group, and submitting annual reports on such management to the General Meetings.

### **BODIES OF THE REGIONAL GROUP**

The Regional Group will consist of the following bodies:

- the Regional Group proper: all the regional Full Members of the Association will be automatically included in and entitled to participate in the meetings of the Regional Group; the latter will choose a coordinator for decisions of regional interest to be taken under locally established procedures;
- the Regional Representative, elected by the Regional Group under locally established procedures;
- the Regional Treasurer;
- the Regional Admissions Committee, which will appoint a Head from among its members.

Members of the regional bodies will serve for a term of two years and be eligible for appointment for a maximum of four consecutive terms.

Any dispute arising from this Charter and in the relations between the Regional Groups and the Association will be settled by the General Meeting of Assointerpreti.