

INTERNATIONAL REGIONAL ELECTIONS 2016

EUROPE REGION


Regional Chair:

- **Raymond Hodgkinson CEng FIMechE**

Region Young Member Representative:

- **To be announced**

EUROPE REGION CHAIR

CHAIR	Biographical Information	Policy Statement
<p>Raymond Hodgkinson CEng FIMechE</p> 	<p>I graduated in Mechanical Engineering in 1969 and achieved MIMechE in the early 1970's. I am now a Fellow. I hosted the very first European Chairs' Meeting in March 2010 and have been active both in Germany and Europe with the IMechE since then. As founder Chair of the Germany Group I have (with the strong help of the committee) set up a regional network to support members. I have worked in the UK, Australia, Germany and Belgium and lectured in Australia, India and Germany (amongst others). I have judged Formula Student in Silverstone since 2012 and at Hockenheim since 2013.</p>	<p>Having been an ex-pat since 1977 and lived in several countries I understand the needs of overseas members and the different issues faced when working overseas. If elected I will continue to strive to ensure that the Institution reflects the needs of members in Europe and will actively encourage the growth of existing Groups and their formation in new countries. I have worked with local ICE and IEE branches and local organisations such as VDI, to ensure closer cooperation and will continue to do so. I believe we must give more thought to how we support young members (e.g. as a contact point for internships).</p>