

1 What is Congress?

Congress is the member-elected advisory body of IChemE made of up to **41** volunteers split into membership and geographical colleges. The make-up of Congress is inclusive. Seats are allocated to all member grades and regions to ensure that there are diverse perspectives in our discussions.



Congress collates and consolidates members' points of view, ideas and/or concerns on strategic matters, acting as a direct conduit to the Board of Trustees.

As the voice of the membership, it advises the Board of Trustees on matters that are of interest to the Institution and its members as part of the overall decision-making process. It acts as a sounding board and the feedback Congress provides helps shape the future direction of the Institution.

2 What does Congress do?



Provides a member viewpoint to the Board of Trustees as and when required.

Provides comment and feedback to the Board of Trustees on any strategy and business plans as part of the drafting process.



1. participates in online debates
2. submits issues to the Congress Chair to set the agenda.



3 How does Congress operate?



The Chair and Vice-Chair lead Congress and head up the Steering Group meetings with the IChemE CEO and one Trustee representative from the Board of Trustees.



The Chair of Congress sends a session report to the Board of Trustees who provide written feedback to the Chair which is then shared with Congress members.



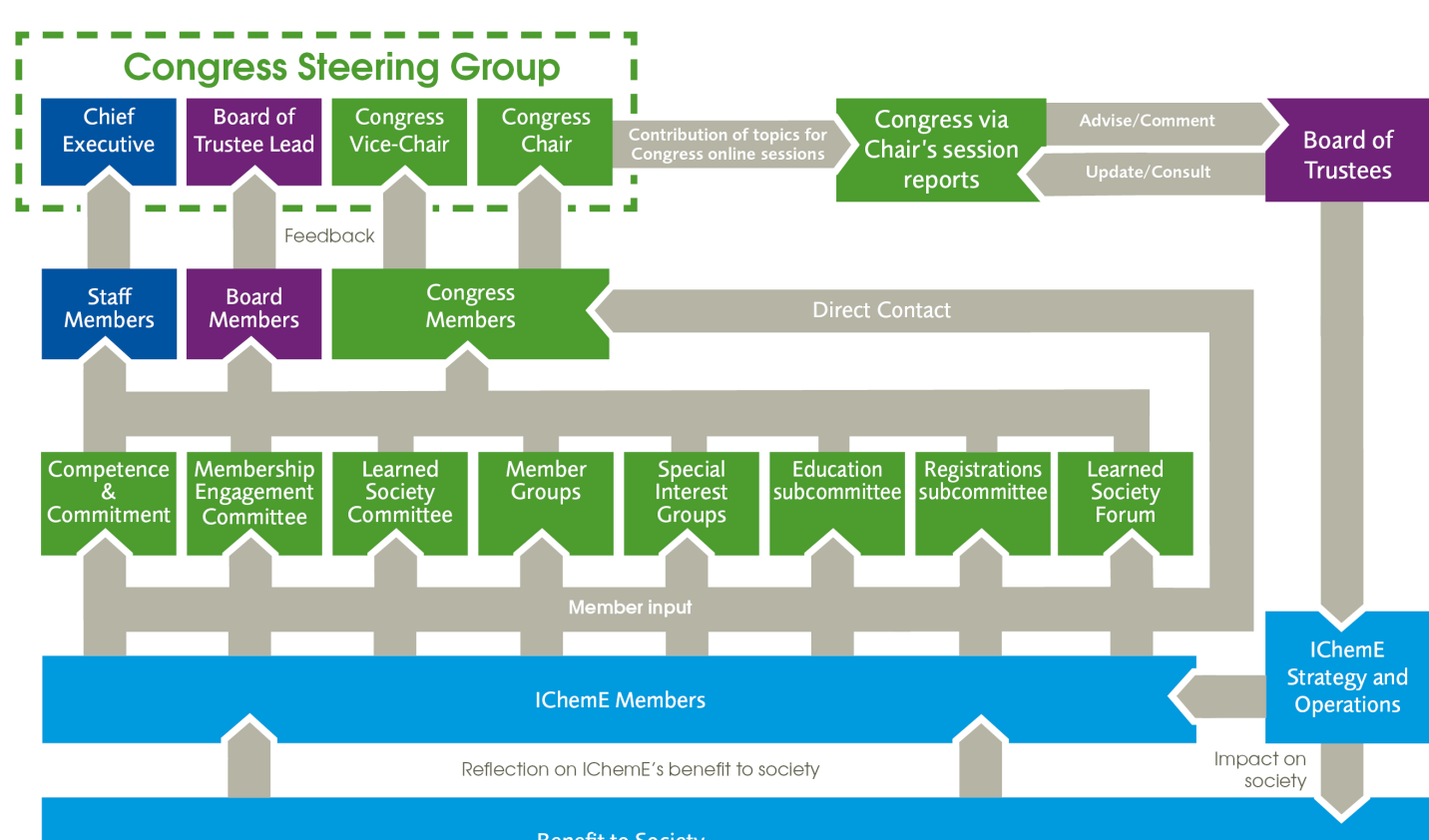
The Board of Trustees and/or the Executive may request feedback from Congress on items of importance to membership.



Working with the Chair and Vice-Chair, Congress members review and provide collective and joint comments to formal governance documentation such as the Royal Charter, By-laws and Regulations to support the desire to make these 'living documents'.



Members of Congress may identify and request topics to be debated through Congress sessions which subsequently may be submitted to the Board of Trustees for feedback.



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