



## ASiT Roles and Responsibilities: Summer 2025 Recruitment

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### Regional Representative

#### *Overview*

Regional representatives make up a significant component of the ASiT Council and provide a vital local point of contact with ASiT for surgical trainees across all grades and specialties. There are currently 23 regions. Regional representative structure is closely aligned to the Schools of Surgery and postgraduate deaneries.

#### *Geographical Representative Roles Open to Recruitment:*

- Eastern
- East Midlands
- London – NE Thames
- London – SE Thames
- Mersey
- Northern
- North West
- Republic of Ireland x1
- Scotland – East
- Scotland – North
- Severn
- West Midlands

#### *Eligibility*

- ASiT member
- CT1/ST1 - ST8 working within the respective deanery at the start of role term
- A full appreciation and commitment to upholding the role and responsibilities

#### *Term*

- August 2025 - August 2027 (maximum 2 years)

#### *Roles and Responsibilities*

In addition to compliance with the guidance for all appointed council members, responsibilities include but are not limited to:

#### *Representation*

- To act as the single point of contact for all trainees in all grades and surgical specialties within their region.
- To actively seek and report on a bi-monthly basis any surgical training issues across:
  - Speciality Trainees
  - Core and IST Surgical Trainees
  - Foundation Trainees
  - Medical Students
- Represent ASiT to both the lower and higher surgical training committees in their region, preferably by direct representation, or otherwise by formal liaison with the trainee representative on that committee ahead of each meeting

### *Engagement*

- Engage new members within the region and attend and present at core induction
- Hold an annual meet and greet within the first 3 months of the academic year
- Lead a Quad-team within each Foundation and Medical School in the region, comprising of:
  - ASiT Regional Representative
  - ASiT Foundation School Ambassador
  - ASiT Medical School Ambassador
  - Surgical Society President
  - Ensure ASiT presence at local medical school annual conferences to deliver ASiT updates, lectures on a career in surgery, and engage new members

### *Dissemination and Communication*

- August 2025 - August 2027
- To establish and maintain contact with:
  - Deanery Appointed Specialty Trainee Representatives (HST & LST)
  - Trainee Specialty Association Regional Representatives
  - Trainee Mailing List Coordinator for dissemination
  - Trainee WhatsApp groups for dissemination
- Disseminate ASiT communications via deanery mailing lists, trainee WhatsApp groups and social media platforms
- Promote ASiT conference within their region
- Form initial point of contact for members applying for regional grants
- Supervise ASiT-badged events within the region to ensure that they comply with equality, diversity and inclusion principles

### *Education and Training*

- Organise at least one local ASiT course per year in their region

### *Council Contribution*

- Attend all council meetings (minimum of 50%)
- Attend and contribute to ASiT supported national regional events
- Contribute to ASiT Position Statements
- Contribute to ASiT National Research Projects
- Mark allocated committee applications
- Complete conference abstract marking
- Contribute to delivering ASiT Conference

### *Demission of Role*

- If no longer working within the respective Deanery
- Cessation of ASiT membership > 1 month following reminder
- Upon review at 1 year or following completion of full 2 year role
- Handover specific contacts and ways of working to incoming representative

# Locally Employed Doctor (LED) / Specialty Doctor Representative

## Overview

Applications are now open for 1 locally employed doctor/specialty doctor representative position who will be an ASiT council member. They will serve a key role in the UK and Republic of Ireland to represent the interests of LED/specialty doctors in surgical training and education.

## Eligibility

- Current locally employed doctor/specialty doctor within the UK & Republic of Ireland (ROI)
- An appreciation of the roles and responsibilities.
- ASiT member

## Term

- August 2025 - August 2027 (maximum 2 years)

## Roles and Responsibilities

In addition to compliance with the guidance for all appointed council members, responsibilities include but are not limited to:

To act as the single point of contact for all LED/specialty doctors in all surgical specialties.

- To organise at least one course tailored to LED/specialty doctors.
- Undertake additional activities i.e. attend ASiT supported regional events, and contribute to ASiT position statements
- Join one (or more) working groups and actively participate
- Encourage new membership of ASiT from LED/specialty doctors
- Distribute ASiT conference and ASiT official survey promotions
- Ensure adequate representation of LED/specialty doctors at council meetings and attend all council meeting (minimum 50%)

## Council Contribution

- Attend all council meetings (minimum of 50%)
- Attend and contribute to ASiT supported national regional events
- Contribute to ASiT Position Statements
- Contribute to ASiT National Research Projects
- Mark allocated committee applications
- Complete conference abstract marking
- Contribute to delivering ASiT Conference

## Demission Responsibilities

- Cessation of ASiT Membership > 1 month following reminder
- Upon review at 1 year or following completion of full 2 year role
- Handover specific contacts and ways of working to incoming representative

# Robotics Lead

## Overview

The role of robotics in surgery is now well established. As the largest organisation representing surgical trainees, ASiT must encourage, support and recognise the role of robotics in surgical training and, as always, provide leadership for the benefit of both patients and trainees. To achieve this, we have a dedicated ASiT Robotics Lead.

## Eligibility

- ASiT member
- CT1/ST1 - ST8 currently working within the UK & Republic of Ireland (ROI)
- A full appreciation and commitment to upholding the role and responsibilities

## Term

- August 2025 - August 2027 (maximum 2 years)

## Roles and Responsibilities

The successful Robotics Lead is expected to meet the roles and responsibilities of all Council members. In addition, the robotics lead will function as a resource for trainees interested in this sphere and represent robotics trainees in a number of key meetings. Specific duties include the following:

- Sit on the ASiT/RADAR Robotics and Digital Surgery Committee
- Collaborate with the Robotics Representatives of the Trainee Speciality Associations
- Compile a database of any existing, and champion the development of, new robotics training fellowships and opportunities
- Liaise with industry for training opportunities and work with the Honorary Secretary team to access new sponsorship streams
- Run the annual ASiT Robotics for Trainees Conference
- Support the Innovation Representative in producing the international ASiT Innovation Summit

## Council Contribution

- Attend all council meetings (minimum of 50%)
- Attend and contribute to ASiT supported national regional events
- Contribute to ASiT Position Statements
- Contribute to ASiT National Research Projects
- Mark allocated committee applications
- Complete conference abstract marking
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## Desirable Criteria

Candidates must be passionate about robotics in surgery and possess the requisite knowledge, skills and attributes to perform the role as outlined above. They should demonstrate:

- An interest and exposure to early robotics training and or simulation
- Ability to work well within a team
- Effective planning, time management and organisational skills
- The ambition to develop strong relationships with industry partners and other stakeholders

## Demission Responsibilities

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# Medical Student Representative

## Overview

Applications are now open for 1 medical student representative position who will be an ASiT council member. They will serve a key role in maintaining communication and engagement with medical students across the UK and Ireland.

## Eligibility

- ASiT member
- Current medical student within the UK & Republic of Ireland (ROI)
- Must be a current medical student in the academic year commencing in September 2025
- An appreciation of the roles and responsibilities

## Term

- August 2025 - August 2027 (maximum 2 years)

## Roles and Responsibilities

In addition to compliance with the guidance for all appointed council members, responsibilities include but are not limited to the following:

- Support and help maintain communication with medical school surgical societies
- Support regional representatives with regional Quad Team set up and function
- Recruit, organise and maintain the ASiT Medical Student Ambassador Scheme
- Annual organisation of the Battle of the Surgical Societies Prize and medical student sessions at ASiT conference in addition to leading medical student volunteers
- Annual coordination of the ASiT medical student essay prize and ASiT elective prize
- Annual organisation of Medical Student Ambassadors Event

## Council Contribution

- Attend all council meetings (minimum of 50%)
- Attend and contribute to ASiT supported national regional events
- Contribute to ASiT Position Statements
- Contribute to ASiT National Research Projects
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# Research Representative

## Overview

Applications are now open for 1 new research representative position who will be an ASiT council member. They will serve a key role in maintaining communication and engagement with academic bodies in addition to assisting with academic output from the organisation.

## Eligibility

- Currently in Core Surgical Training or above (including equivalent non-training grades)
- Current or previous experience of training in an academic pathway (including, but not limited to NIHR funded Academic Clinical Fellowship, Clinical Research Training Fellowships) during surgical training (Academic Foundation Programme is excluded)

## Term

- August 2025 - August 2027 (maximum 2 years)

## Roles and Responsibilities

In addition to compliance with the guidance for all appointed council and executive members, responsibilities include but are not limited to:

- In conjunction with the Workflow Lead and executive, assist with academic outputs from the organisation
- To act as the single point of contact for trainees in academic pathways
- Actively seek feedback on academic training pathways and recruitment
- Represent the views of academic trainees on council and at relevant external meetings with relevant stakeholders including steering groups for academic recruitment
- Establish links with academic support networks and grant providers (e.g establish links with InterACT)
- Maintain relationship with the Surgical Research Society and NIHR
- Run the yearly Preparing for a career in Academic Surgery Event
- Coordinate, in conjunction with the Director of Education and Conference coordinator, the training of Council members in marking abstracts for ASiT Annual Conference
- Run a breakout session during conference - "How to write a paper"

## Council Contribution

- Attend all council meetings (minimum of 50%)
- Attend and contribute to ASiT supported national regional events
- Contribute to ASiT Position Statements
- Contribute to ASiT workstreams and projects
- Mark allocated committee applications
- Complete conference abstract marking
- Contribute to delivering ASiT Conference

## Demission of Role

- Cessation of ASiT membership > 1 month following reminder
- Upon review at 1 year or following completion of full 2 year role
- Handover specific contacts and ways of working to incoming representative