

The role of the World Stroke Organization Stroke Support Organization (SSO) Committee

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Background: The SSO Committee supports the WSO to achieve Priority A3 of the WSO Strategy 2016-2020: Development of SSOs. Its purpose is to work toward establishing, supporting and strengthening a global network of SSOs, particularly in low and middle income countries. The SSO Committee has a global membership, with representation from all WSO geographic regions: Sub Saharan Africa, Middle East/East Mediterranean; Europe; Americas and Asia/Oceania.

The role of SSOs: SSOs are non-governmental organisations that are focused on the needs and issues of people affected by stroke. WSO views SSOs as essential in reducing the negative impact of stroke for survivors and carers. SSOs deliver and engage in a range of activities depending on the need and context.

SSO Development Programme: The SSO Committee oversees the delivery of the SSO Development Programme. The programme is led by the International Development Manager and jointly funded by WSO and the Stroke Association UK. The programme works across the three WSO strategic themes with activities focused on networking, skills development and awareness.



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