

Chair of CHUDE

1. Background

CHUDE (Conference of Heads of University Departments of Economics) is a committee of the Royal Economic Society which advises the Society on matters relating to Economics within UK universities. CHUDE reports to the RES Trustee Board.

The Chair is an experienced academic economist, who is a current or recent former head of Department of Economics, or head of an identified group of economists, within a UK university. It is preferable that the person has knowledge of the general institutional and policy framework in the UK and an interest in further developing UK higher education and research in Economics.

2. Role responsibilities

The Chair of CHUDE will:

- Chair the twice-yearly meetings of CHUDE and of the CHUDE steering group (Spring and Autumn).
- Set and manage the agendas of these meetings in conjunction with the CHUDE Deputy Chair and the RES Head of Communications and Engagement.
- Together with the chairs of other committees, attend a meeting once a year with the Chair of the RES Trustee Board.
- Report to the RES Trustee Board on CHUDE activities and major actions, as appropriate.
- Represent CHUDE in meetings with RES officers and liaise between CHUDE and the RES on all significant matters of mutual interest.
- Oversee the CHUDE mailing list, which is maintained by the RES office.
- In conjunction with others as appropriate, respond on behalf of the RES/CHUDE to government consultations that are relevant for Economics in UK universities.
- Liaise and work with the Economics Network on all matters of mutual interest, including as a member of the Management Board of the Economics Network.
- Liaise with other RES committees, including the Education & Training Committee, Communications & Engagement Committee and the Women's Committee, on all matters of mutual interest.
- Represent CHUDE at other appropriate meetings, official launches or initiatives.

- Undertake any other duties agreed with the Chair of Trustees or other RES officers to enhance the effectiveness of the RES in advancing Economics education and research in the UK, and as appropriate, work with other agencies, such as the GES and the Bank of England.
- Attend, whenever possible, the RES Annual Conference to meet CHUDE members and to facilitate networking with members and visiting or younger academics.
- Agree an appropriate division of responsibilities with the CHUDE Deputy Chair.

3. Commitment and support

The approximate time commitment for the role is equivalent to half a day per month, with peaks and troughs over the year.

Administrative support is provided by the RES office, which is also responsible for taking minutes of CHUDE meetings, including those of the steering committee.

4. Term

The term is three years, which may be renewed once, by agreement with the individual, the RES and CHUDE.

5. Reimbursement

The role is unpaid. Expenses will be reimbursed in line with the Society's expenses policy.