Travel and expenses policy for ESE representatives attending a meeting.

ESE recognises the dedication and commitment of our volunteers who contribute their expertise and time when attending meetings on our behalf. The following policy is in relation to travel and expenses when attending meetings.

This policy refers to Executive Committee members, Committee members, Journal Board members (EJE and EC), Award and Plenary lecturers at ECE and Speakers at ECE and ESE events.

Type and class of travel

- **Air**
  - Economy – for European and non-European (under 9 hours) trips.
  - Economy Plus/Premium Economy – for flights over 9 hours.
  - The traveller may upgrade from Economy Plus/Premium Economy to Business Class at their own expense.
  - Business class will only be considered at ESE’s expense for medical purposes, except in exceptional circumstances.
  - Note: Flights to be booked via ESE’s travel agency, if booked separately then reimbursement would be subject to the maximum allowance as defined within this policy.

- **Rail**
  - Standard class
  - An upgrade would be considered if (i) no seating is available or (2) allows for better working conditions whilst traveling (eg, table and power supply).
  - Note: Rail tickets can be booked via ESE’s travel agency.

- **Car**
  - Mileage allowance is based on £0.45 per mile which equates to: €0.34 per km (or €0.54 per mile).

Allowances

The maximum limit for European travel is €450 per return-trip.
For non-European trips, under 9 hours, the limit is €1250 per return-trip.
For non-European trips, over 9 hours, the limit is €2000 per return-trip.

There may be circumstances where the class of travel and financial allowance can be reviewed, and this will be dependent on the destination and purpose of trip and subject to approval by the Executive Committee (the Officers/the Treasurer).

Other expenses

ESE will reimburse for reasonable travel expenses such as:
- Travel sundries - Car park, taxi, etc
- Hotel accommodation – up to a 4 star
- Subsistence – meals and refreshments

How to claim

A completed [expense_claim_form](#) and a copy of receipts should be submitted to finance@ese-hormones.org.

Note: Travel should be booked through ESE’s Travel Agency who will invoice ESE directly for payment.

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