

What should you think about before applying?

What are some of the decisions that a conference chair has to make and what kind of planning are they involved in? To help you better understand the roles, there are some points you should consider.

What would you most like to accomplish if selected as conference chair?

- For the conference?
- For you as the conference chair?
- For the user community?
- What would be your legacy?
- What ideas do you have to change SAS Global Forum and why?

As a SAS Global Forum Conference Chair, **you will often need to satisfy different constituencies** (SAS, SAS Global Users Group Executive Board, Users at large) that may have conflicting objectives or individualized agendas.

- How would you handle conflicting objectives?
- How would you adapt to the change of an in-person to a virtual conference?
- Can you make the tough decisions, even if they are confrontational?
- How would you handle personnel issues involving your team leads?
- How would you leverage the role of the Executive Board in your planning for the conference?

What makes you an effective team leader?

- In your current/historic conference roles?
- In your job, what are some of the team issues that you have had to deal with and how did you address/resolve them?

How do you think people respond to you as a leader?

- How do you get feedback?

How would you describe your leadership style?

- How do you lead debate?
- How do you facilitate reaching consensus?
- How do you motivate your teams?
- How do you resolve personality/work style issues between team members?

What is your biggest concern about accepting this responsibility?