

ESICM ELECTIONS CODE OF CONDUCT

This document describes the code of conduct to be respected by candidates and Executive Committee Officers when standing for an elected position in the ESICM Executive Committee and during the entire election period. It needs to be approved and signed by any candidate standing for an elective position.

- Candidates for elective positions on the ESICM Executive Committee travelling on behalf of the Society during the six weeks before the election closing date shall not use these missions to promote their personal candidatures.
- Current members of the Executive Committee should not campaign on behalf of the EC for any candidate standing for election for Executive Committee positions. Personal voting intentions should not be conveyed using ESICM channels. Negative references to any candidate will not be tolerated.
- Candidates for the position of President Elect are allowed to present their application (CVs, manifesto, motivation and one short recorded video) on the Society's website ("My ESICM Vote").
- The ESICM Secretariat will send one e-blast (only) that will include a link per candidate to a standardised document containing each candidate's personal presentations. This e-blast will be sent the day before the ballot opens. Only the ESICM central office will be authorised to disseminate the candidates' manifestos.
- Candidates should not use any confidential documents belonging to the Society in their manifesto.
- Candidates will be allowed five calendar days before the ballot opens to promote their personal campaigns, after which they should refrain from using any form of promotion (including video and social media).
- Use of the ESICM members' database/ mailing lists is strictly forbidden to the candidates and present or past Officers during the election period.
- The ESICM internal communication channel that is used by Section Chairs and National Representatives will not be accessible for electoral purposes or campaigning throughout the election period.
- Candidates cannot make any reference to any members of the ESICM staff in any of their personal commentary about the election.
- Candidates should not contact any of the ESICM staff about any aspect of the election during the election period.
- In case of violation of any element of this Code of Conduct on the part of the candidate, an independent "ad hoc" Committee drawn from, among others, members of the Senate, nominated before the Election run, will examine the evidence. If the Committee decides and can prove that there has been non-compliance with the Code of Conduct, this will lead to the immediate exclusion from the elections and any future elections.
- Once voting has started, personal lobbying should stop until the end of the ballot.
- Candidates, for the sake of transparency, should declare in writing if they are collaborating in any role with, or have an elected role within, any other medical Society (national or international), or if they have been approached in person, or as an ESICM member, to collaborate with any other medical Society. Any such collaboration or role that takes place during a mandate for ESICM must also be reported.

Your candidature will only be evaluated if you have signed this code of conduct document and returned it to the ESICM secretariat (secretary@esicm.org).

By signing this document, I agree to apply and comply with this Code of Conduct

Name:

Date:

Signature:

