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ESICM President-Elect

Prerequisites for candidates

Profile

- Candidates must be ESICM Ordinary members or Honorary members
- Candidates must be present or past members of the ESICM Elected Council members.
- Candidates must be working in Europe

They are expected to

- Be experienced, accredited senior intensivists
- Hold a University or University-affiliated teaching position
- Have an established track record in education, teaching, research and publication
- Be experienced and competent in medical, administrative and political areas
- Have acquired such experience at senior National Intensive Care Society level for example or at European / international level
- Be in a position to sustain reliable, especially email, communication with the Brussels Office.
- Have the attitudes and behaviours appropriate to a leadership position, including and specifically the capacity for conflict resolution and the ability to arbitrate on difficult decisions in the best interests of the Society and our members.

This position is high-profile, ambitious and requires substantial commitment of time and energy. Consequently, the candidates should be willing to commit themselves to the task.

Conditions of candidature

Candidates complying with the profile for the job should apply to the ESICM Secretary, using the appropriate application form. Selection of candidates will be made by the Executive Committee based on the pre-established profile according to the information enclosed in the application form and compliance with the person specification. Attendance for interview may be deemed necessary by the Executive Committee. Candidates deemed by the Executive Committee to meet the required profile are presented to the membership (Ordinary, Honorary, and International members) for election by ESICM secured electronic voting system.

Election and term of office

- The membership (Ordinary, Honorary, and International members) shall decide by election, the winner being the candidate with the majority of votes. In case of equal vote, seniority (in terms of duration of ESICM membership) will decide the outcome; in the case of equal seniority, the vote of the President shall prevail.
- The President will serve a two-year term as President-elect, two years as President, and two years as Past-President, six years in all. The main role of the President-elect is to help and support the President in running the Society. (S)he is a voting member of the Executive Committee. The President-elect will be the next President. (S)he should therefore be involved with all the workings of the Society. (S)he is therefore an ex-officio member of every committee of the Society.
- Election details and term of office are explained in the General SOPs
Job description

Background information

The ESICM President is responsible for the strategic direction of the Society, coordinating its activities, and acting as the final authority in the event of disputes. The President will take a leadership role in policy formulation and is responsible for contacts with external organisations.

Responsibilities

The President is

- The Chairperson of the Executive Committee
- The Chairperson of the Council meetings
- The Chairperson of the General Assembly
- A non-voting member of the ESICM Committees and Sub-Committees
- A representative of ESICM in the Multidisciplinary Joint Committee for Intensive Care Medicine (MJCICM) of UEMS and in the European Board of Intensive Care Medicine (EBICM), together with the other presidential posts.
- A representative of ESICM in formal and informal links with external organisations, including SCCM.

Specific responsibilities include (non-exhaustive)

- In general, the President will be informed of and may participate in, all activities of the Society. This will involve a substantial time and travel commitment.
- The President shall chair, at least twice a year, the meetings of the Executive Committee and the Council, and once a year the General Assembly.
- Links with external organisations will require the direct involvement of the President or nominated deputy.
- The President will support all official post-holders in the Society in their various tasks.
- The President shall act in accordance with the current Society Statutes and the laws of the country where the ESICM office is based.

Reporting relationships

The President reports to the Executive Committee, to the Council, and to the General Assembly.