

Dear colleagues,

Please take a little time to read about my foundations for my application. **Below is a short version and an extended version.**

May I ask you to look at what I achieved for intensive care medicine and ESICM? So that you can be confident that I will deliver as your president on my ambitious vision and plans for our ESICM family!

You can vote on the ESICM website, www.esicm.org
Click login (right upper corner) and log in.
Then click my election (left lower corner) and vote.

Please do reach out to me for questions or discussion.
You can write to me in English, French, Dutch, German or Spanish.

And please vote.
Thank you for your support!

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Short version

What I have done in the context of ESICM?

During the past years:

- Focus on education and courses
- Co-organizing first physiology congress
- Help develop CoBaTrICE and EDIC
- Organizing the first EDIC I and II exams and making it available in several countries
- From 2018-2021, I was the chair of the division of scientific affairs, overseeing research and all ESICM congresses.
 - Empower the young generation, nurses and allied health care professionals
 - Improve gender parity. I am proud of the results!
 - > 150 new young invited speakers
 - A rise of invited female speakers from 23% to 38%

What I want to do as new ESICM president

- Promote even more international interaction and exchange
- Create a platform for international studies with support from ESICM
- Stimulate interactive education at a high international level
- Push forward and give opportunities to young talented colleagues
- Continue to work hard on all aspects of diversity
- Take environmental responsibility and work on Green ICU



You can vote from September 22-29

via the website www.esicm.org and then via My Account.

Don't forget to vote... for me

Extended version

Introduction

ESICM is a Society that matters as we have proven even more during the pandemics with over 9000 members in Europe and other continents. ESICM stands for a multidisciplinary vision on intensive care. High quality patient care through education, training, research all with exchange of knowledge and ideas among professionals is an important goal of ESICM that I value highly. Intensive care medicine (ICM) is about life and death and can make so much difference to an individual patient. And thereby to all those who surround the patient, family & friends. Although ICM uses high tech machines and tools, the most important part remains the team of caregivers. Knowledge, skills, compassion, curiosity and working as a team are important ingredients for the professionals. The will to improve combined with curiosity directs us not only to research but also scholarship. Sharing knowledge and skills, bringing in your skills and knowledge, finding out that it may be different than you thought, connecting with your international peers and future peers is what ESICM brings.

In my view the president of the society helps to create opportunities for others, brings ideas and professionals together and attracts and keeps young talented people. All this will benefit the patient. I consider research and education equally important, having large experience on these issues. The benefit of educational programs for the future patient cannot be valued enough. With research, but also with (lifetime) education and training we can improve. Facilitating the connection of our colleagues is all-decisive and diversity is the key to improve, pointing at age, gender, nationality, philosophy of life and other perspectives. Therefore, it was such a pleasure to guide this as the chair of the Division of Scientific Affairs (DSA) from 2018-2021, overseeing research and all ESICM congresses. Despite but also thanks to the pandemics we were able to explore successfully different new ways and strengthen ESICM in its vitality. The teaching programs, webinars, research and e-congresses were very successful.

I hope that you will find me the best candidate to work this further out in the coming years as your president, taking into account...

What I did...

As chair DSA:

- Encourage and strengthen cooperation between the ESICM Sections
- Together with the congress committee, Brussels Office and technical support:
 - create new e-congress models
 - more focus on interaction of speakers and audience, firstly in 2019 but also continued during the pandemics
- Implement more focus on education and interaction:
 - First physiology congress (2019 - Prague)
 - Case based interactive sessions
 - Introduce educational programs in Spanish, Portuguese and French
- Encourage and facilitate creation of Data Science as a new section
- Encourage and facilitate creativity and actions extra of NEXT and NAHP
- Balancing gender parity
from 23.2% (2018) to 38.1% (2021) excellent female speakers
- Introduction of > 150 new (young) invited speakers during LIVES
- Encourage and facilitate research grants

Furthermore, I have been very active in CoBaTrICE, development and implementation of EDIC (European Diploma of IC), diverse Masterclasses and facilitating free movement of intensivists in Europe.

As chair of department:

- Making a team of highly motivated professionals, nurses and physicians in a
- Good atmosphere →
good training programs for nurses and intensivist, good research, happy professionals

My experience in research can be read from my publications: <http://bit.ly/3pqYA16>



My plans...

- Take care of continuity of the current roles and goals of ESICM
- Facilitate and encourage the creation of a research platform for ESICM platform trials, with continuous support from the Brussels office and encourage & facilitate joined trials with other societies
- Strengthen efforts to facilitate free movement of (qualified) intensivists in Europe
- Intensify connection with nurses and allied health care workers within ESICM
- Intensify and strengthen the connection with societies from all other continents
- More focus on supplying educational facilities to low-income countries
- Continue the efforts for balanced diversity
- Take environmental responsibility and work on green ICU
- Connect professionals, keeping and attracting young talented people
- Make others, especially younger ones, shine

My CV...

- Full professor in intensive care medicine
- Chair department of intensive care in University Hospital
- Intensivist and Clinical Pharmacologist
- Past general secretary of ESICM and past Chair Division of Scientific Affairs of ESICM
- Extensive experience in research, education and training programs

The screenshot displays the ESICM 34th Annual Congress website interface during a live session. The top navigation bar includes the ESICM logo, the event title "34TH ANNUAL CONGRESS 3-6 OCTOBER", and utility links for Assistance, My Account, and Log out. Below this is a secondary navigation menu with options: HOME, LIVE (highlighted), VIDEO ON DEMAND, PROGRAMME, SPEAKERS, ABSTRACTS, QUIZ, INDUSTRY, and LOUNGE. Social media icons for Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, and Instagram are also present.

The main content area is titled "Coffee Break" and contains the instruction: "Head to the lounge to interact with other congress participants. Select a Coffee Break conversation and discuss specific Intensive Care topics." Below this is a "CHANNEL 1" video player showing a speaker. To the right of the video is an "Audience" panel with a search bar and a grid of 284 viewer avatars. At the bottom of the interface, there are channel selection buttons (Channel 1 to Channel 8) and a "Live program" indicator. The footer shows the current time as 11:08 Tue and the user's My Time as 17:08 Tue.