### **Election**

2025 Elections - EDIC Curriculum Sub-Committee - Chairperson Elect

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## Previous positions as ESICM officer

Type	Country	Function	Section	From	То
Other	Germany	Elected Member	EDIC Examinations Sub-Committee		

# **Specialisation**

Speciality	Diploma	Year of qualification	Type speciality
Primary speciality	Board Certification	2008	Anaesthesiology
Additional speciality	Board Certification	2009	Intensive Care Medicine
Additional speciality	Board Certification	2004	Emergency Medicine
Primary speciality	Diploma of the European Society of Anaesthesiology (DESA)	2009	Anaesthesiology
Additional speciality	European Diploma in Intensive Care Medicine (EDIC)	2011	Intensive Care Medicine

### **Positions**

Institution	Department	Function	From	То
University Medical Centre Freiburg, Germany	Department of Anaesthesiology and Intensive Care Medicine	Resident and Fellow		

University Medical Centre Freiburg, Germany	Department of Anaesthesiology and Intensive Care Medicine	Consultant and Senior Consultant
University Medical Centre Freiburg, Germany	Department of Anaesthesiology and Intensive Care Medicine	Head of Intensive Care Medicine and Head of ECMO Program and Transport Services
Marienhospital Stuttgart	Department of Anaesthesiology, Intensive Care and Pain Medicine	Director and Chair
Marienhospital Stuttgart	Department of Anaesthesiology, Intensive Care and Pain Medicine	Head of Burn Centre ICU

## **Professional Bodies Appointments**

Society	Status	From	to
Medical Association of North-Wuerttemberg, Germany	Board Member and Examiner (Board Certification in Anaesthesiology, Intensive Care Medicine and Emergency Medicine)		
European Society of Anaesthesiology and Intensive Care	Examiner (DESAIC)		
European Society of Intensive Care Medicine	Examiner (EDIC part II)		
European Society of Intensive Care Medicine	EDIC part II Centre Director (Stuttgart, Germany)		
European Society of Intensive Care Medicine	EDIC Examinations Sub-Committee (Elected Member)		
European Society of Intensive Care Medicine	EDIC Examinations Sub-Committee (External Expert)		

#### **Comments**

### Details on your candidature

My medical education began at Philipps-University Marburg, where I graduated in 1999 and obtained my medical license in Germany in 2000. I subsequently completed residency and fellowship training in anaesthesiology and intensive care medicine at the University

Medical Center, Albert-Ludwigs-University of Freiburg. During this period, I achieved board certification in Emergency Medicine (2004), Anaesthesiology (2008), and Intensive Care Medicine (2009), in addition to international qualifications such as DESA (2009) and EDIC (2011).

Professionally, I advanced from Resident and Fellow to Senior consultant and Divisional Head of Intensive Care Medicine in Freiburg, where I also established and led the ECMO program and transport services. Since 2013, I have served as Medical Director and Chair of the Department of Anaesthesiology, Intensive Care and Pain Medicine at Marienhospital Stuttgart, one of the largest non-university hospitals in Baden-Wuerttemberg, Germany, where I also act as Head of the Burn Center ICU. These roles have provided me with extensive leadership experience, responsibility for large multidisciplinary teams, and the ability to implement innovative programs in critical care and perioperative medicine. My scientific focus has been translational research in organ protection, ischemiareperfusion injury, and heme oxygenase pathways. Following my dissertation and postdoctoral work in Freiburg, I led independent research groups with competitive grant support from leading foundations and was honoured with the Clinical Scholar Research Award of the International Anesthesia Research Society in 2008. I completed my habilitation in 2009 on organ protection mechanisms and have since supervised numerous clinical research projects in perioperative and critical care medicine. With over 80 publications, I combine a strong academic record with deep commitment to education and mentorship.

Teaching and examination activities have been central to my career. I have over 20 years of experience teaching anaesthesiology, intensive care, and emergency medicine, and since 2009 I have served as examiner for German Board Certifications and European Diplomas (EDAIC, EDIC). Since 2013, I have been active within ESICM as EDIC Part II examiner, and since 2017 as EDIC Part II Centre Director in Stuttgart, Germany. From 2019 to 2024 I was a member of the EDIC Examinations Sub-Committee, and since October 2024 I continue to contribute as External Expert. These appointments have given me deep insight into the organisation, quality assurance, and continuous improvement of the EDIC examination, especially in relation to examiner training, exam logistics, and the challenges of maintaining fairness, transparency, and quality across centres. In the role of Chair of the EDIC Examinations Sub-Committee, I am committed to further strengthening the European Diploma in Intensive Care Medicine as the leading international qualification for our specialty. My priorities would be to ensure rigorous standards, fairness, and transparency in the examination process, to promote examiner training and harmonisation across centres, and to advance digitalisation and innovation in assessment methods. I also see a major opportunity to further increase the international recognition of EDIC as a benchmark for intensive care medicine worldwide. My background, combining clinical leadership at a major institution, recognized academic qualifications, extensive experience in postgraduate education, and a decade of dedicated service to ESICM and the EDIC examination process, has prepared me well for this role. I

am committed to advancing the EDIC as a robust, modern, and internationally respected exam that supports the growth and quality of intensive care medicine in Europe and beyond.

### Financial interests

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### **Academic interests**

Description

none

Declare no conflict of interest

Yes

I hereby certify that I have read and understood the Statutes of ESICM.

Yes

I hereby certify that I have read and understood the job description for the position I am applying to.

Yes

I am able to dedicate enough time to perform the job and attend the regular meetings necessary for this position.

Yes

I hereby certify that I agree on all the tasks described in the job description and agree to undertake them.

Yes

I confirm that the information given in this form is to the best of my knowledge and belief, true and accurate.

Yes