

## Election

2026 Elections – Academy Sub-Committee – Chairperson Elect

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## Previous positions as ESICM officer

Type	Country	Function	Section	From	To
Other	France	Member	EDIC Subcommittee		
Other	France	Chair	EDIC Subcommittee		

## Specialisation

Speciality	Diploma	Year of qualification	Type speciality
Primary speciality	Specialist in Anaesthesiology and Intensive Care Medicine	2010	Anaesthesiology and Intensive Care Medicine
Primary speciality	European Diploma of Intensive Care Medicine	2013	Intensive Care Medicine
Additional speciality	University Diploma – Intensive Care for Infectious Diseases	2015	Intensive Care

## Positions

Institution	Department	Function	From	To
National Institute for Infectious Diseases – Bucharest (Romania)	Medical ICU	Consultant – Department Coordinator		
Compiègne Noyon Hospital – France	Reanimation	Consultant		
CHU Henri Mondor – Paris	Cardio-vascular ICU	Consultant		
Compiègne Noyon Hospital	Réanimation	Consultant		

CHU Amiens Picardie	Reanimation Cardiothoracic ICU	Consultant		
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## Professional Bodies Appointments

Society	Status	From	to
European Society of Intensive Care Medicine	Member		
CESMA	Member		

## Comments

### Details on your candidature

I am standing as a candidate for Chairperson of the ESICM Academy Subcommittee with a genuine commitment to its continued development and a clear sense of where I believe it can go next.

The ESICM Academy is a recently established structure, created in response to the significant growth of educational activities within the Society and integrated into the new Education and Training Committee to ensure that education is adequately supported and coordinated at the ESICM level. As current Chair of the EDIC Subcommittee, I was involved during the transition from the previous structure to the current one, and contributed to the initial training of the Working Units once the Academy was put in place. The Academy Subcommittee is now organised into five integrated Working Units covering the full educational cycle – gaps and needs analysis, instructional design, content development, implementation and accreditation, and assessment. The value of this structure lies in the close collaboration between Working Units, where each component informs the others and supports a continuous process of improvement.

The Academy oversees a broad and diverse portfolio of educational activities. This includes centralised programmes delivered directly by ESICM, and decentralised initiatives where education is brought into individual countries in close collaboration with national societies and local partners – an outreach model that allows high-quality intensive care education to reach communities that may otherwise have limited access, and that deepens meaningful engagement across the European intensive care community. It also encompasses fellowship centres, which are a valuable asset to the Society, supporting bedside training and the practical dimension of intensive care education, and providing an important platform for best practice exchange across Europe. Education at the ESICM Congress is equally a core component of the Academy's remit, requiring careful planning and close alignment with the Education and Training Committee Chair and the Congress Chair to ensure coherence and quality. Supporting all of these activities effectively, and ensuring they receive the coordination and resources they need, would be a clear priority for me as Chair.

Over more than a decade of involvement in postgraduate intensive care education, I have worked across roles as EDIC Chairperson, course director, exam centre director, and faculty in ESICM courses and workshops. During my mandate, the EDIC examination achieved CESMA certification, reflecting a commitment to high-quality assessment standards and strengthening its recognition at the European level. I have also worked to expand the EDIC examination network across Europe, including the establishment of the first exam centres in Eastern Europe, in Romania for the next EDIC Exam and in Poland in the future — an important step toward greater geographical reach, accessibility, and harmonisation of certification standards across the continent. These experiences have given me a thorough understanding of the ESICM educational ecosystem and the Academy's central place within it – from foundational training through to advanced competencies and formal certification.

Alongside this, I have developed a serious interest in medical education research. As Principal Investigator of the SILVER study, I am actively investigating educational strategies and evaluating new methodologies in postgraduate intensive care training. This work shapes how I approach questions of curriculum design, assessment, and quality improvement, and it is a perspective I would bring directly to the Academy's leadership. If appointed, my priorities would be the following.

First, to ensure the five Working Units continue to function as a genuinely integrated structure – maintaining the feedback loops between gaps and needs analysis, instructional design, implementation, evaluation and assessment that make the cycle effective.

Second, to strengthen internal quality control processes, ensuring that clear key performance indicators are defined and monitored across all educational activities, providing a reliable basis for continuous improvement.

Third, to strengthen the evidence base underpinning the Academy's educational decisions, drawing on education research to inform how programmes are designed and refined over time.

Fourth, to support innovation in educational methodologies while maintaining the high standards of quality and accreditation that the Academy has worked to establish.

Fifth, to advance inclusivity and equitable access to education across the European intensive care community, using digitalisation thoughtfully where it can reduce barriers and environmental impact without compromising quality.

Throughout my career I have worked with educators, authors, and reviewers from across Europe and beyond, and I have come to value the collaborative and inclusive culture that makes the Academy effective. It draws on expertise from Sections, NEXT, and multidisciplinary contributors, and that breadth is one of its real strengths. As Chair, I would aim to protect and build on that culture while providing a clear and consistent direction for the work ahead.

The ESICM Academy is a new and important structure for the Society. My goal would be to support its continued development – strengthening its organisation, deepening its

educational impact, and ensuring it serves the European intensive care community to the highest standard.

Thank you for your consideration.

Alexandru NICA

## Financial interests

Description

Source

## Academic interests

Description

**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