

Letter of Motivation

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Secretary/Treasurer candidacy**

Dear Colleagues

I am very pleased and honored to apply for the position of the European Society of Cardiology (ESC) Secretary/treasurer for the 2026-2028 term.

My different institutional commitments including my investment in the ESC (EHRA President and 3 times ESC Board members) and in the French Society of Cardiology, gave me a strong leadership experience in a scientific society across different fields: research, education, congresses, advocacy and management of the staff and the finances as well as a good knowledge and understanding of the ESC

The ESC is a major scientific society with an impressive and unique offer for cardiologists and other healthcare professionals in terms of leading research and education, as well as broadcasting top science through its journals and congresses, and advocating for the sake of cardiovascular health in Europe with the EU cardiovascular Health plan and beyond.

I want to actively participate in the evolution and the growth of the ESC during the next years in different topics in this time of environmental and societal changes

Being Secretary/Treasurer, with the president, the management group, the CEO, external accountants and auditors I will work on budgetary and financial issues of the ESC, but also importantly I will be innovative in the research of new diverse sources of funding to secure the finances of the ESC. My ambition is also to work with constituent bodies for a new business model combining expectations of the constituent bodies and financial security for the ESC. As Secretary, with the President and management group I will develop the future of the ESC especially for young cardiologists and patients with innovative solutions increase the diversity and inclusivity of the ESC (gender and geographical balances).

It is a great privilege and responsibility to apply for the position of President-Elect of the ESC and it would be an honor and a pleasure for me to continue working for the ESC in the future.

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