

Feedback from last year's EHRA Summit

**'Education: a joined venture with
and for our stakeholders'**

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Suggestions / requests in 2016

Intensify connection with patients

- **Actions taken:**

- Patient awareness event at EHRA-Cardiostim 2017, Vienna
- Expansion of "AF Matters" website (now 7 languages; patient testimonial; more images, less text; more info on ablation and LAAO)
- Congress sessions on 'how-to: patient education'
- Short educational videos for patients

- **Other suggestions being considered:**

- Lay person summary of AF Guidelines
- Summaries of important scientific papers
- "Find a heart rhythm specialist" database and web interface

Suggestions / requests in 2016

Education portfolio extended

- **Actions taken:**

- Re-organisation of course agenda and topics;
Professionalisation of Exam Preparatory Courses.
- Expansion of online modules ESCeL
 - CP track 16 modules; EP track 43 modules; lead management 18 modules
- Local WG/EHRA training courses: update of procedures/requirements for collaborative courses (document on web site)
- Allied professional training
 - course still under development (in collaboration with national societies)
 - but full track of lectures during EHRA congress Vienna

Suggestions / requests in 2016

Fellowship training redesigned

- **Actions taken:**
 - EHRA Observational Training Programme (n=57 & counting)
 - only observational, 1-2w, no hands-on => much lower administrative burden
 - shorter => more candidates can be offered specific educational experience
 - applications open!
 - More EHRA control on center suitability
 - EHRA Recognised Training Center initiative (n = 6 & counting)
 - Better accessibility for non-European countries (Prof. Galal)
 - 10 Fellowships awarded to Egypt over course of program (=350K€) but 3 not taken up => funds lost (likely to administrative hurdles)
=> Observational Programma may suit better

Suggestions / requests in 2016

Certification

- **Actions taken:**
 - Exploring ways to provide EHRA exams locally / in local languages
 - already done for AP (Italy, Germany, The Netherlands)
 - problem is match EHRA resources / number of participants
 - e.g. Spain: 95 centers/238 current EP: only 10 new exam participants per year
 - but is in the works if question bank grows
 - Reduced exam fee (now €500)?
 - given logistical needs, number of volunteers to draft and review the questions, coordination (and safe-guarding) of the questions: best to stick to €500.

EHRA new constitution/ main changes 1/2

- **New mission statement**
 - From: "*To improve the quality of life of the population by reducing the impact of cardiac rhythm disturbances and reduce sudden cardiac death*"
 - To: "*Improving the quality of life and reducing sudden cardiac death by limiting the impact of heart rhythm disturbances*"
- **Change in the duty of the Nominating committee**
 - From "Submit at least **two** candidates per vacant position" to "Submit at least **one** candidates per vacant position"
(to reflect the reality)

EHRA new structure (as of June 2017)

EHRA BOARD

Executive Board = *Elected Members via the Nominating committee*

ADVOCACY	EDUCATION	CONGRESS	MEMBERSHIP	RESEARCH
<ul style="list-style-type: none">•Women•Patient website•Health economics	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•Certification•Training fellowship•Education•Academy	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•Scientific programme•Industry?	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•NCS•International Affairs•Individual membership (incl. young community)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">•Scientific Initiatives•Scientific Documents•Innovation

EHRA new constitution/ main changes 2/2

New article 6 on internal governance

- **Three levels**
 - elected members
 - managing task
 - idem, including the Committee-chairs (= pillar-chairs)
 - operational task
 - full board
 - subcommittee-chairs
 - representatives of other societies/ESC Constituent Bodies
 - sui generis members
- **Final texts are being discussed**
 - will be circulated before General Assembly in Vienna

Thank you,
Tusuk Yon,

and actively provide your input
during this new summit!

EHRA new constitution/ main changes 2/3

New article 6 on internal governance: 3 levels

1. Executive Board: 5 elected Board members:

- President
- President-Elect
- Immediate Past-President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- CEO of ESC (no voting rights)

2. Operational Board: Executive Board, plus

- Editor-in-Chief of the EHRA official journal
- Committee Chairs for Advocacy, Education, Congress, Membership and Research
 - proposed by the President & approved by the Executive Board (2 terms possible)
 - may be ≥ 1 if deemed necessary by President
- Director of ESC Specialty center (no voting rights)
- Meets $\geq 2x$ per year in person (+TC when convened by president)

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New article 6 on internal governance: 3 levels

3. Full Board: also including

- Subcommittee Chairs (2 terms possible)
- Representatives of other societies/ESC Constituent Bodies
 - nominated by their societies/constituent body
 - appointed for a 2 year-term
- Sui generis members and consultants
 - proposed by the President and approved by the Executive Board.
- No voting rights
- Meets ≥ 1 per year in person (annual congress or ESC meeting) (+TC if needed)