

**Identity:**

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**Photo:****Application for the following position in the HFA Board or Nominating Committee:**

President-Elect

**Place of work**

*If you work in multiple places, please provide the one where you spend the most time or that you consider to be your main place of practice.*

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**General Curriculum Vitae (500 words max)**

*Please also include your H index and top 5 to 10 publications in the last 5 years*

I am Professor of Cardiology at the University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Carol Davila, Bucharest, and I currently lead ICCU and Cardiology 1<sup>st</sup> Department at the Institute of Emergency for Cardiovascular Diseases- C.C.Iliescu, Bucharest, Romania.

I obtained my PhD from UMF Carol Davila in 2012, with research focusing on the role of pro-inflammatory cytokines in reverse remodelling. In 2018, I sustained my habilitation on the Epidemiology of Acute Heart Failure.

I completed my medical education at University of Medicine Carol Davila in 1992, became a specialist (1998) and consultant in cardiology (2003). I am certified in Echocardiography and Intensive Care. My post graduate education encompasses extensive trainings, including Echocardiography at Instituto Clinico Humanitas, Milan, Italy (1998), heart transplantation and myocardial biopsies at Universitat Klinikum Munster, Germany (2000), advanced echocardiography and cardiac CT at Cardiocentro Ticino Switzerland (2006), heart transplant and ventricular assist devices, Sheba Medical Center, Israel (2014), and ventricular assist devices at Universitat Klinikum, Leiden, Netherlands (2015).

Since 2014, I am leading the largest Intensive Cardiac Care Unit (ICCU) in Romania, specialized in critical care patients, including those with mechanical circulatory support and post ventricular assist device implant.

In 2019, I was selected by the Romanian Health Ministry to lead the reorganization of ICCUs across hospitals in Romania. Within the framework of a World Bank funded project (13M EUR), I developed new national quality standards for ICCU accreditation. This initiative enabled the use of project funds to modernize equipment and certify 15 ICCUs. In recognition of this work, I received

the Medical Knight medal from the Romanian Presidency in December 2019. In 2021, I was appointed Vice-President of the Romanian Health Ministry's Expert Commission.

Since 2023, I am President of Romanian Society of Cardiology (RSC). Previous elected positions in RSC include President of Working Group of HF, Treasurer, Secretary and President-Elect. I represented RSC in EU Parliament, Bruxelles (2017 & 2019).

I coordinated five national research grants obtained by competition.

I designed the first Acute Heart Failure national registry from Eastern Europe, the RO-AHFS study (published in AHJ 2011), I am the Director of Romanian National Registry of Acute Aortic Dissections (RENADA-RO) and Romanian Registry of Iron Deficiency in Heart Failure (FERIC-RO). Since 2010, I have been contributing to HFA-ESC related activities, working in various committees. I was the National Coordinator for ESC-HF-pilot study, ESC-HF-LT-registry and ESC-HF-III. I was member of ESC-EORP Oversight Committee and Executive Committee and since 2023, I am chair of GRASP-HF.

I was member in the Executive Committee of two large RCTs (SEISMIC and STRONG-HF), member of the Steering Committee of five RCTs, and National Coordinator for 23 RCTs.

I am Associate-Editor for BMC-Cardiovascular Disorders, Journal of Acute Diseases, Cardiac Failure Review, ESC-Heart Failure, Exploration of Medicine, Heart Failure Reviews and Bulgarian Journal of Cardiology.

I have authored four monographs about heart failure, and I am the first author of six chapters in international textbooks. I have contributed to over 300 original papers, with an H-Index of 46 (WoS Clarivate) and 50 (Scopus).

Selected publications:

Chioncel O, Adamo M, Nikolaou M, et al. Acute heart failure and valvular heart disease: A scientific statement of the Heart Failure Association, the Association for Acute Cardio Vascular Care and the European Association of Percutaneous Cardiovascular Interventions of the European Society of Cardiology. **Eur J Heart Fail.** 2023 Jul;25(7):1025-1048.

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Chioncel O, Parissis J, Mebazaa A, Thiele H, et al. Epidemiology, pathophysiology and contemporary management of cardiogenic shock - a position statement from the Heart Failure Association of the European Society of Cardiology. **Eur J Heart Fail**. 2020 Aug;22(8):1315-1341.

Chioncel O, Mebazaa A, Maggioni AP, et al.. Acute heart failure congestion and perfusion status - impact of the clinical classification on in-hospital and long-term outcomes; insights from the ESC-EORP-HFA Heart Failure Long-Term Registry. **Eur J Heart Fail**. 2019 Nov;21(11):1338-1352.

**Describe previous experience within the HFA, ESC and/or your National Cardiac/ HF Society**  
*150 words maximum*

Since 2018, I have been serving the HFA-Board, as Coordinator of AHF Committee (2018-2024), Coordinator of Valvular Heart Disease Study Group (2020-2022), Coordinator of National HF Societies (2020-2022) and Treasurer (2022-2024). I am Task-Force member of the ICARE-HF and I have actively contributed to the development of the accreditation process and fund raising. I have developed and lead the long-term project "Reciprocal Basic Science – Clinical Science interaction (HFA-BOOSTer), in collaboration with HFA-Basic Science Committee, aiming to promote reciprocal education and training of next-generation of HF specialists.

I was member of the ESC/EORP Oversight Committee (2018- 2020) and Executive Committee (2020-2022), member of ESC Valve Council (2020-2022). Since 2023, I am the chair of GRASP-HF. I was member of the Task-Force for "2021-ESC-Guidelines for HF" and "2023-Focused Update of the ESC-Guidelines" and ESC-reviewer for "2019 ESC Guidelines on diabetes, pre-diabetes".

Since 2023, I am the President of Romanian Society of Cardiology.

**Why are you motivated to join the HFA Board or Nominating Committee?**

*150 words maximum*

My experience in clinical practice, research, education, management and leadership positions in RSC and ESC/HFA, has equipped me with a comprehensive understanding of the HFA community's needs and the responsibility of various roles. Aspiring to the HFA President-Elect position, I plan to leverage these insights to foster a culture that promotes innovation, inclusivity, and collaboration, ensuring that HFA stands as a pillar of excellence, where every member is valued and empowered. I aim to open new possibilities for innovative training and research and create opportunities for the next generation of HF specialists, ensuring their active participation in HFA initiatives. I intend to strengthen HFA by expanding international partnerships with other societies. I am committed to ensuring that HFA aligns to and actively promotes the ESC values, working collectively towards the advancement of HF care and research globally. My commitment extends to every HFA member, ensuring our efforts strengthen the HFA.

**How will you combine your HFA position with your daily clinical/research workload?**

*80 words maximum*

Leveraging my decade-long involvement with the HFA and the RSC, I am well-prepared to integrate the presidency role with my clinical and research activities. My past experiences have equipped me with the skills to delegate effectively, ensuring that all tasks are managed efficiently without compromising quality. I have arranged with my university to have protected time for HFA responsibilities (three full-time-equivalents), if elected. I anticipate no significant challenges in maintaining high standards in both my HFA duties and clinical/research work.