Prof. Dr. med. Stephan Achenbach Chair of the ESC Nominating Committee 2022-2024 Immediate ESC Past President

ESC Councillor-Application for the mandate 2024-2026

19th November 2023

Dear Prof. Dr. med. Achenbach, dear Nominating Committee,

After my medical studies in Spain, I started my training in Switzerland, being board certified in Internal Medicine and Cardiology. Afterwards with the support from the Swiss National Science Foundation I started a 2-year post-doc Fellowship in Leipzig University Heart Center (Germany), where I became Associate Professor at the Leipzig University. Besides my clinical career I stayed active in cardiology research mainly in the acute cardiovascular care field.

My first experience with the European Society of Cardiology (ESC) was with 25 years old, in October 2012 at the ACVC congress in Istanbul. I can perfectly remember how excited I was while waiting to give the first talk of my career during the Young Investigator Award Ceremony. But I can also remember how welcomed and supported I felt by the ESC. That was the reason why I decided to join the ESC family as a volunteer. Ever since then I have had the opportunity to be actively working with different ESC groups and entities (ACVC young committee, different ESC CPCs, ESC Cardiologists of Tomorrow nucleus, ESC Committee for Young Cardiovascular Professionals (YPC), ESC Education Committee, ESC Think Tank...). In August 2022 I had the privilege to become the Chair of ESC YCP for the mandate 2022-2024, and consequently to become an ESC Board Member for that period of time.

During all these years, I had the chance to get to know in detail the structure of the ESC, working hard and very close with other volunteers and ESC Staff and focusing my interest specially in the younger community, education and congress planning. With the experience I gathered I believe I am a good candidate to keep working with the ESC Board as a Councillor for the mandate 2024-2026.

Should you have any question, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards,

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