

Curriculum Vitae

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Place and Date of Birth

Düsseldorf, 3 October 1956

Present Position and Address

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Training and Education

- University of Vienna, Internal Medicine
- 1987-1989 Research Fellowship, Cardiovascular Division, Dept. of Medicine (Head: Prof. E. Braunwald), Brigham and Women's Hospital, Harvard Medical School, Boston
- 1989-90 Cardiology Fellow at Div. of Cardiology, Univ. of Vienna (General Hospital Vienna)
- 1990-1991 Subspecialty Training in Interventional Cardiology, General Hospital Wels, Austria
- 1989 Board certification, Internal Medicine, Austrian Medical Chamber
- 1991 Board certification, Cardiology, Austrian Medical Chamber
- 2002 Board certification, Intensive Care Medicine, Austrian Medical Chamber

Post Graduate Degrees

- 1982 M.D., University of Vienna
- 1992 Assistant Professor of Medicine, University of Vienna
- 1997 Professor of Medicine, University of Vienna

European Society of Cardiology Activities

- 2002-2008 Member, WG on Pathogenesis of Atherosclerosis
- 2004-2006 Secretary, WG 10 Interventional Cardiology
- 2005 Member, STEMI Implementation Programme Committee (Chair: J.-P. Bassand)
- 2006-2009; 2011-2016 Board member, European Association of Percutaneous Cardiovascular Intervention (EAPCI)
- 2006-2009 Chairman, Euro Heart Survey committee on PCI (EAPCI)
- 2005-2009 Member, Expert Committee on PCI, Euro Heart Survey Programme
- 2008 Task Force and co-author, ST-Elevation Myocardial Infarction Guidelines (Chair: F. Van de Werf)
- 2011-2014 Co-chair, Database & Registry Committee (EAPCI)
- 2014-2016 Chairman, Database & Registry Committee (EAPCI)
- 2015- EORP Oversight Committee member

- 2014-2016 Steering Committee member, EORP CICD registry
- 2015- Steering Committee member, EORP STEMI registry
- 2016-2018 Councillor for Young Community, ESC Board

Other International Scientific Committee Participation

- 2006-2009 EuroPCR, Programme Committee member (EAPCI)
- 2006-2012 Secretary, Austrian Society of Cardiology
- 2013-2015 President, Austrian Society of Cardiology

Editorial Boards

- 2005- EuroIntervention
- 2003- Journal for Cardiology

Fellowships / Honours

- 2003 Fellow of the European Society of Cardiology (FESC)
- 2004 Fellow of the American College of Cardiology (FACC)

Honorary Memberships

- 2017 Hungarian Society of Cardiology
- 2018 Serbian Society of Cardiology
- 2019 Romanian Society of Cardiology

Major Publications

- Weidinger FF, McLenachan JM, Cybulsky MI, Gordon JB, Rennke HG, Fallon JT, Hollenberg NK, Ganz P, Cooke JP. Persistent dysfunction of regenerated endothelium following balloon angioplasty of rabbit iliac artery. *Circulation* 1990; 81:1667-79
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- Frick M, Suessenbacher A, Alber H, Dichtl W, Ulmer H, Pachinger O, Weidinger F. Prognostic Value of Brachial Artery Endothelial Function and Wall Thickness. *J Am Coll Cardiol* 2005;46:1006-10

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- Dorler J, Edlinger M, Alber HF, Altenberger J, Benzer W, Grimm G, Huber K, Pachinger O, Schuchlenz H, Siostrzonek P, Zenker G, Weidinger F, for the Austrian Acute PCI Investigators. Clopidogrel pre-treatment is associated with reduced in-hospital mortality in primary percutaneous coronary intervention for acute ST-elevation myocardial infarction. *Eur Heart J* 2011;32:2954-61
- Hasun M, Doerler J, Edlinger M, Alber H, von Lewinski D, Eber B, Roithinger FX, Berger R, Siostrzonek P, Grimm G, Benzer W, Wintersteller W, Huber K, Schuchlenz H, Weidinger F. In-Hospital Outcome Comparing Bivalirudin to Heparin in Real-World Primary Percutaneous Coronary Intervention. *Am J Cardiol.* 2017;120:2135-2140

Major Research Interest

- Acute Coronary Syndromes
- STEMI networks
- Antiplatelet therapy
- Cardiovascular Interventional Registries

Motivation Letter

Dear Colleagues,

after due consideration, I have decided to apply for candidacy for President-elect of the European Society of Cardiology for 2020-2022.

I served the ESC Board as Councilor for the Young Community (2016-18) and currently as Vice President for National Cardiac Societies and Advocacy (2018-20). This together with my previous activities gave me the opportunity to gain deeper insights into our Society. The numerous discussions and consequential decisions within our Board, facing a changing world of digital communication and technology and the increasing challenges for education, research and healthcare policies have strengthened my motivation to aspire to this next step of services to the ESC.

I see the future goals of the European Society of Cardiology in intensifying the collaboration with the National Societies, in supporting the scientific and educational activities across the ESC member countries and in further improving cardiovascular care for all patients in need of it, regardless of their citizenship or socioeconomic background. The ESC Core Curriculum as a basis for harmonizing cardiology training, the plans for a common European database and registry, enhanced patient engagement and the support of research projects in ESC member countries, are essential pillars for a strategic plan for the coming years. During my period as Vice President for National Cardiac Societies and Advocacy, I had the fortune of many valuable encounters and even building friendships. Most importantly, it gave me the opportunity to gain a deeper insight into individual ideas, requests and problems of fellow cardiologists and Societies. As ESC, we should try to respond to these requests and needs adequately, with careful consideration of the great diversity of systems and cultures of our member community. One of the most successful decisions has been the enhanced involvement of the Young Community which resulted in their even greater engagement in the ESC Congress and related scientific and educational projects. I had the pleasure to interact with this group more intensely since my Councilorship 2016-18.

My hometown Vienna is located centrally in Europe and thus may serve as a meeting point and “bridge” between Western and Eastern European countries. With my personal history and as an Austrian, I want to achieve a more

balanced representation of ESC member countries and support the interests of all countries willing to serve the European Society of Cardiology.

With my experience from many years of activity and membership in ESC Working Groups, Associations, Scientific Task Forces and recently as Councilor (2016-18) and now Vice President (2018-20) in the ESC Board, I am willing to offer my services for this potential next step to our community. With all due respect for this position, I am convinced that with the great team at the European Heart House and a strong future Board we can shape and achieve our goals together. Thus, it would be a great honor and pleasure for me to be nominated for this position.

Yours sincerely,

Franz Weidinger, FESC