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Present Position

Since 2021 – Chief of Cardiology, Institutul de Boli Cardiovasculare Timisoara
Since 2020 – Vice – President of the Romanian Society of Cardiology
Since 2020 – Board Member of the European Society of Cardiology
Since 2015 – Board Member of the European Heart Network

Education and positions

2005 – 2007 – Masters Degree in Human Resources Management, Universitatea de Vest Timisoara
Since 2002 – Specialist in Cardiology
Since 1998 – Specialist in Internal Medicine
1994 – 2000 – PhD, “ Benefit of Cardiac Rehabilitation in Chronic Heart Failure” Universitatea de Medicina si Farmacie Victor Babes, Timisoara
1982 – 1988 – MD, „Magna cum laude”, Universitatea de Medicina si Farmacie Victor Babes, Timisoara

European Society of Cardiology Activities

FESC ID 43761

Since 1994 – Member of European Society of Cardiology
1994 – 2006 – Member of Working Group of Exercise Physiology and Cardiac Rehabilitation
2003 – 2006 – Nucleus Member of Working Group of Exercise Physiology and Cardiac Rehabilitation
Since 2006 – Member of European Association for Cardiovascular Prevention & Rehabilitation (now European Association of Preventive Cardiology)
2006 – 2010 - Chairman of Education and Accreditation Committee - European Association for Cardiovascular Prevention and Rehabilitation
2006 – 2010 – Member of Education and Accreditation Committee - European Society of Cardiology
2006 – Course Director of the first ESC intramural CVD Prevention Course: “The Everyday Challenge of Prevention – From Risk Factors to Effective Intervention” - 23-25 November, Sophia Antipolis, France.
Since 2007 - National Coordinator for Cardiovascular Prevention
2007 – Coordinator of Heart Health Charter signing event in Romania
2008 – Co-author of ESC Core Curriculum for the General Cardiologist
2008 – Focus Cardiology Practice Coordinator „ Practical approach to cardiopulmonary exercise testing”- ESC Congress Munich
2008 – Coordinator of the first CVD Prevention session within EuroPCR Annual Meeting
2009 – Reviewer of The ESC Textbook of Cardiovascular Medicine (Second Edition), Oxford University Press

Since 2009 – Initiator and Co-Director of Dubrovnik Cardiology Update (endorsed by ESC Education Committee) – 2009/2011/2013/2013/2017/2019 edition

2010 – 2012 – Treasurer of European Association for Cardiovascular Prevention and Rehabilitation

Since 2012 – Member of ESC Congress Programme Committee

2013 – Coordinator of one of the first regional courses endorsed by ESC : EU-CDA (CardioDiabetology Alliance): Bucharest, Chisinau, Almaty and Sofia

Since 2017 – Member of ESC Council on Hypertension and ESC Council on Stroke

Since 2021 – Member of ESC Council of Cardio-Oncology Council and ESC Council of Cardiology Practice

National Coordinator of EuroAspire III, IV & V (Member in Steering Committee)

Fellowships / Honors

Fellow of European Society of Cardiology

Visiting Professor Mt Sinai, New York, USA

Invited Professor Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia, USA

Major Research Interest

Cardiovascular prevention: hypertension, lipids, diabetes, obesity

Exercise testing & exercise training (cardiac rehabilitation)

Chronic heart failure – long term management

Atrial fibrillation – stroke prevention

Publications

Hirsch index according to ISI WEB OF SCIENCE 24

Hirsch index according to Scopus 26

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Major Publications

(only 2020-2021 selection)

Ray Kausik, Molemans Bart, Schoonen W. Marieke. ..., Gaita Dan, et al, EU- Wide Cross-Sectional Observational Study of Lipid-Modifying Therapy Use in Secondary and Primary Care: the DA VINCI study, EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF PREVENTIVE CARDIOLOGY, Volume 28, Issue 11, Page 1279-1289, NOV 2021 IF= 6.361

Vrablik Michal, Seifert Bohumil, Parkhomenko Alexander, ..., Gaita Dan, et al, Lipid-lowering therapy use in primary and secondary care in Central and Eastern Europe: DA VINCI observational study, ATHEROSCLEROSIS, Volume 334, Page 66-75, OCT 2021 IF = 5.261

Luca Constantin-Tudor, Crisan Simina, Cozma Dragos, ..., Gaita Dan, et al, Arterial Hypertension: Individual Therapeutic Approaches-From DNA Sequencing to Gender Differentiation and New Therapeutic Targets, PHARMACEUTICS, Volume 13, Issue 6, JUN 2021 IF = 6.734

Ambrosetti Marco, Abreu Ana, Cornelissen Veronique, ..., Gaita Dan, et al, Delphi consensus recommendations on how to provide cardiovascular rehabilitation in the COVID-19 era, EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF PREVENTIVE CARDIOLOGY, Volume 28, Issue 5, Page 541-557, MAY 2021 IF = 6.361

Avena Maurizio, Banach Maciej, Bruckert Eric, ..., Gaita Dan, et al, Practical guidance for combination lipid-modifying therapy in high- and very-high- risk patients: A statement from a European Atherosclerosis Society Task Force, ATHEROSCLEROSIS, Volume 325, Page 99-109, MAY 2021 IF = 5.261

Banach, Maciej, Gaita Dan, Haluzik, Martin, et al, Adoption of the ADA/EASD guidelines in 10 Eastern and Southern European countries: Physician survey and good clinical practice recommendations from an international expert panel, DIABETES RESEARCH AND CLINICAL PRACTICE, Volume: 172, Article Number: 108535, Published: FEB 2021 IF = 4.234

Maciej Banach, Peter E. Penson, Michal Vrablik, ..., Dan Gaita, et al, for the ACS EuroPath Central & South European Countries Project, Optimal use of lipid-lowering therapy after acute coronary syndromes: A Position Paper endorsed by the International Lipid Expert Panel (ILEP), Pharmacological Research, Volume 166, 2021, 105499 IF =5.893

Svetlana Moşteoru, Dan Gaita & Maciej Banach, An update on PCSK9 inhibitors- pharmacokinetics, drug interactions, and toxicity, Expert Opinion on Drug Metabolism & Toxicology, December 2020, 16:12, 1199-1205 IF = 3.47

Pleava Roxana, Mihaicuta Stefan, Serban Costela Lacrimioara, Ardelean Carmen, Marincu Iosif, Gaita Dan, Frent Stefan, Long-Term Effects of Continuous Positive Airway Pressure (CPAP) Therapy on Obesity and Cardiovascular Comorbidities in Patients with Obstructive Sleep Apnea and Resistant Hypertension-An Observational Study, JOURNAL OF CLINICAL MEDICINE, September 2020, Volume: 9 Issue: 9, Article Number: 2802 IF= 3.303

Katsiki Niki; Mikhailidis Dimitri; Bajraktari Gani, ..., Gaita Dan, et al, Statin therapy in athletes and patients performing regular intense exercise- Position paper from the International Lipid Expert Panel (ILEP), PHARMACOLOGICAL RESEARCH, MAY 2020, Volume: 155, Article Number: 104719 IF= 5.893

Ambrosetti Marco; Abreu Ana; Corra Ugo, ..., Gaita Dan, et al, Secondary prevention through comprehensive cardiovascular rehabilitation: From knowledge to implementation. 2020 update. A position paper from the Secondary Prevention and Rehabilitation Section of the European Association of Preventive Cardiology, EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF PREVENTIVE CARDIOLOGY, 2020, Article Number: 2047487320913379 IF = 5.864

Kotseva, Kornelia; De Backer Guy; De Bacquer Dirk, ..., Gaita Dan, et al, Primary prevention efforts are poorly developed in people at high cardiovascular risk: A report from the European Society of Cardiology EURObservational Research Programme EUROASPIRE V survey in 16 European countries, EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF PREVENTIVE CARDIOLOGY, 2020, Article Number: 2047487320908698 IF = 5.864

Gaita Dan, Gaita Laura, Mihaescu Adelina, Non-HDL cholesterol series: PCSK9 inhibitor new season! EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF PREVENTIVE CARDIOLOGY, 2020, Volume: 27 Issue: 15 Pages: 1661-1662 IF = 5.864

Mach Francois; Baigent Colin; Catapano Alberico L, ..., Gaita Dan, et al, 2019 ESC/EAS Guidelines for the management of dyslipidaemias: lipid modification to reduce cardiovascular risk, ATHEROSCLEROSIS, 2019, Volume: 290 Pages: 140-205 IF = 3.919

12th November 2021

Professor Dan Gaita

**To the Chair of the ESC Nominating Committee, Professor Barbara Casadei
and to the Members of the Nominating Committee**

Dear **Prof. Barbara Casadei**, Chair ESC Nominating Committee 2020 – 2022, Immediate ESC Past President,

Dear **Esteemed Members** of the Nominating Committee,

Timisoara, 12th November 2021

Application for the Vice-President of the ESC in the mandate 2022-2024

Dear Professor Casadei,

I herewith would like to submit my application for the position of **Vice-President of the ESC in the mandate 2022-2024**.

As previously stated, it has been my dream to become a member of the ESC Board and I have grown up over the last 30 years through identifying my mentors and models inside of the ESC – at that time, every Congress was the perfect place to see and be seen and I have looked to the Heart House like to a place of pilgrimage – with a kind of religiosity based on proof, not only belief.

I described myself as a preventive cardiologist, advocating lifestyle changes alongside the best evidence-based medical interventions in order to achieve a prolonged, well-deserved good life, if possible, free of cardiovascular diseases.

I am carrying proudly the European values (having Eastern roots, Western training, Northern look and Southern habits) and I am convinced that together, despite of this terrible pandemic:

- we can put in practice **successful projects**, having the **skills to create and to develop strong partnerships**;
- we can improve the leadership at a National and European level, having a combination of **communication & networking experience and healthcare expertise**;
- we can keep **Cardiology** in the center of medical sciences, having a broad **understanding of medical, social and political aspects that CVD actually means in Europe**.

Regarding my priorities, I would like to highlight the superiority of modern cardiology which comes from its strong base and its connections to a high level of civilisation. I also believe that good partnerships are the ultimate solution to a world where divisions and discrepancies are common. This is why in our current environment, translating and unifying are the key strategies and we must transform our diversity into a powerful advantage.

In this regard, identifying the main priorities for the next years (**impactful communication, evidence generation, leadership expertise and collaborative work**) I am sure that together we can bring added value to each of the current 5 pillars of European Society of Cardiology strategy, as follow:

Membership:

- **bringing more members**
- **recommending prominent health professionals for FESC application**
- **increasing awareness**

Research:

- **improving the connection with other scientific societies**
- **building-up interdisciplinary clusters**
- **expanding the ESC influence internationally**

Education:

- **developing regional courses**
- **facilitating the access to ESC resources**
- **improving the visibility of KOL from all ESC constituent societies**

Congresses:

- **helping to keep ESC Congress as the most important cardiovascular medicine venue**
- **innovating the congress structure**
- **managing for a better representativeness across ESC constituent societies**

Advocacy:

- **improving connectivity with patient organizations**
- **highlighting ESC activities in our communities**
- **expanding the ESC model in order to have advocacy activities in each ESC constituent societies**

I am happy and honored to continue and to upgrade my activities within the ESC Board and I am looking forward to improving cardiovascular health and to bringing together the enthusiasm and efficiency of the European Society of Cardiology!

Sincerely,

Professor Dan Gaita