

Professor Barbara Casadei
ESC Immediate Past President
Chair, ESC Nominating Committee

November 05th, 2021.

Re: Application for the position of Secretary/Treasurer of the Board of the European Society of Cardiology in the mandate 2022-2024

Dear Professor Casadei,

I herewith would like to submit my application for the position of Secretary/Treasurer of the Board of the European Society of Cardiology in the mandate 2022-2024.

I dedicated last three decades of my professional life working in the ESC, to promote the prevention and treatment of cardiovascular disease.

As a HFA Board member and a coordinator of the HF National Societies Committee, I head spearheaded various activities, namely Heart Failure Awareness Day and Heart Failure National Societies Summit (2011-2013). In addition, I was serving as a scientific chairman of the Heart Failure 2012 meeting in Belgrade, which was one of the most successful annual HFA meetings. Subsequently, I am one of the major organizers of three ongoing backbone ESC/HFA activities, such as The Heart Failure Association Atlas: Heart Failure Epidemiology and Management Statistics 2019, ESC/HFA Quality of Care Centres and the ESC Textbook on Heart Failure. All of these activities are progressing well, or are completed.

As a Vice-President of the ESC during the mandate 2020-22, I was in charge of connecting ESC and eighteen National Cardiac Societies of South-Eastern Europe, including Russian Federation. In the serious conditions of COVID 19 pandemic, we tried to keep a close contact and the best image of the ESC. Furthermore, in the role of the Co-Chair of the European Heart Agency, I invested my energy and time in pursuing Agency activities and projects. Also, I was appointed a European Heart Journal Co-editor for Eastern Europe and succeeded to organize ten Joint session of the EHJ and relevant National Cardiac Societies. I was honored to be elected in Heart Failure Hall of Fame of the Heart Failure Society of America in July 2021.

I believe that the strength of ESC is represented by close cooperation of the basic scientists, clinicians and nurses and I would be happy to foster and improve this interaction. I recognize the importance of mutual dialogue, alternative views and different opinions. I do respect the democratic processes needed to lead and to develop further our Society.

I am able and highly motivated to put my energy and ideas to help ESC to overcome the future scientific and organizational challenges. In addition, I am capable and would be pleased to dedicate my time and effort to promote ESC as a world leader in cardiovascular medicine. I confirm my full commitment to strengthen the network and to facilitate the cooperation among Associations, National Cardiac Societies and Working Groups on the European continent and world-wide.

Warmest regards,

Prof. Petar M. Seferović