



РОССИЙСКОЕ КАРДИОЛОГИЧЕСКОЕ ОБЩЕСТВО
RUSSIAN SOCIETY OF CARDIOLOGY

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

Dear Prof. Casadei,

It is an outstanding honor for me to apply for the position of Councilor of the European Society of Cardiology for the period 2022–2024.

The Russian Society is the part of ESC since 1993. During almost 30 years we were establishing successful collaboration in the field of active membership, guidelines implementation and scientific meetings. But still there are several gaps, and Russia was not represented in the ESC Board for many years.

We are facing new global challenges and must work out new effective solutions. The voices of national societies of cardiology as Constituent Bodies of The European Society of Cardiology are of exceptional importance in this respect. The Russian Society of Cardiology is not an exclusion, and it is now working hard to be integrated in the international activities of ESC.

I believe that my long-term professional experience as a medical professional, a researcher and a manager, including my present positions as the President of the Russian Society of Cardiology and Director general of a large medical research center, allows me to see clearly the difficulties that both individuals and institutions have to overcome in this very rapidly changing world of contemporary medicine.

COVID-19 epidemic showed us that only together by focusing on the same goal we can overcome this disaster and continue to perform our main duties for the benefit of our patients. We are united and we are strong. I am sure that this corresponds well with the general objectives of the European Society of Cardiology.

Definitely, we have very much in common as we are facing the same challenges and aiming at the same goals to decrease cardiovascular mortality all over Europe. To achieve this, we have to share our knowledge and our practical experience brought from the countries with different healthcare systems. Fuller integration of National Cardiac Societies will bring their unique clinical and socio-political experience into the ESC activities.

I am very grateful for this unique opportunity and a privilege to address my ESC colleagues and to share my views. I will always be an enthusiastic supporter and a hardworking activist of the ESC ideas to bring together all the forces and resources for joint aims and projects.

With best regards,
Professor Evgeny Shlyakhto, FESC
President of the Russian Society of Cardiology