

**Excerpt of**  
**European Association of Percutaneous Cardiovascular Interventions**

**Sub-specialty Association rules of governance  
under article 3-2 of the ESC Statutes**

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**6.4 Eligibility**

Only EAPCI members originating from an ESC member country (as defined in article 3 of ESC Statutes) are eligible to a Board position.

To stand for Board positions, candidates must also be EAPCI members in good standing holding voting rights at the date of application. Only EAPCI members having settled their dues one month ahead of an election hold voting rights. As of 1st January 2026, members must have settled their due at least 3 months ahead of an election.

All candidates to a voting position have to sign an oath of office and code of conduct and to submit their Declaration of Interest (DOI) prior to the start of the elections process. If this requirement is not fulfilled, the candidate will not be accepted.

Appointed committee chairs are eligible for future elected EAPCI Board positions, provided that they comply with the other requirements of the Association.

Ex-officio Board members are eligible for future elected EAPCI Board positions, under the condition that they held another position (not as ex-officio) in previous mandates as described below.

In addition to the above:

- Candidates for the position of President-Elect must be a FESC and a Fellow of the EAPCI (if/when applicable), currently serving or have served in the immediate previous EAPCI Executive Board, or pre-previous EAPCI Executive Board, or must be currently serving or have served in the immediately preceding Board or pre-previous EAPCI Board as appointed members (i.e. Committee Chair). The elected candidate will automatically become President two years later.
  
- Candidates for the positions of Secretary and Treasurer must be currently serving or have served in any of the preceding EAPCI Boards (as Executive Board member, Committee Chair, Committee Co-Chair, Pillar Chair).
  
- Candidates for the positions of PCR representatives must be currently serving or have served in any of the preceding EAPCI Boards (as Executive Board member, Committee Chair,

Committee Co-Chair, Pillar Chair). A minimum of 4 candidates for the position of PCR representatives (i.e. a minimum of 2 candidates for elected PCR representative position) are proposed by PCR in line with the eligibility and selection criteria defined by the EAPCI Nominating Committee.

The President of the EAPCI must be a member in good standing of one of the ESC National Societies of Cardiology and be a Fellow of the ESC and of the EAPCI (when applicable).

An EAPCI Board member may not hold more than three leadership positions at the same time. Sitting on the nucleus of an ESC Working Group or Council or Association is counted as one leadership position. A candidate who already holds three offices may therefore not stand for election or be proposed as a candidate, except if one of its term of office expires before the new functions start.

Representatives and employees from healthcare industry companies are not eligible to be part of the EAPCI Board.

Candidates to EAPCI Executive Board positions who have not been elected are not eligible to stand for elections for the 4 subsequent years.

Previous elected members of the Board can re-apply for a position on the Board four years after their initial term (except for Secretary, Treasurer and PCR representatives which can apply for President-Elect).

The President may not stand again for any elected position within the Association.

The President should not hold an executive position as President in a National Cardiac Society or in the European Society of Cardiology concurrently to his/her term within the EAPCI Board. Holding a position of President-Elect or Vice-President concurrently to the term of EAPCI President, EAPCI Treasurer and EAPCI Secretary is deemed as being acceptable, as long as the EAPCI Board is informed.

Candidates standing for the available EAPCI Board positions must be endorsed by their own National Cardiac Society and/or the national working group on interventional cardiology.

All members of the EAPCI Board must sign the ESC/EAPCI oath of office prior to taking their functions.

All EAPCI Volunteers must submit their annual Declaration of Interest in a timely manner. Failure to do so will lead to the individual being suspended from his/her volunteer office held within the ESC, and the ESC Management Group is informed. Such an individual is reinstated upon submission of the required Declaration of interests, provided that competent ESC committees do not object.