

**Application for the following position in
the EHRA Board:**

President-Elect



1. Identity

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2. General Curriculum Vitae

Actual positions:

- Professor and Chair of Cardiology, Antwerp University, Antwerp, Belgium (2016 - present)
- Guest Professor, Hasselt University, Hasselt, Belgium

Past positions:

- Full Professor, Cardiology – Arrhythmology, University of Leuven and University Hospitals Leuven (1994 – 2014)
- Professor & Director of Arrhythmia Research, Hasselt University and Heart Center, Jessa Hospital, Hasselt, Belgium (2014 – 2016)

Training:

MD: 1986, University of Leuven, Leuven, Belgium

Ph. D. in Physiology: 1992 (Cardiac cellular electrophysiology, Prof. Dr. E. Carmeliet)

Specialist Degrees in Internal Medicine and Cardiology: 1993 and 1995 (Univ. Leuven)

NIH Research Fellow (Fogarty International Research) supported by a Fulbright-Hays grant-in-aid; Clinical Fellowship Cardiac Electrophysiology, University of Oklahoma (1993 and 1994, Prof. Dr. W. Jackman).

Special accreditation "Hospital Management and Health Care": 2005, Univ. Leuven

Fundamental Clinical Investigator, Fund for Scientific Research, Flanders (1996-2006)

Scientific activity:

- >215 publications in international and >35 publications in national peer-reviewed journals (human K⁺ channels, atrial remodeling during atrial fibrillation, ablation, 2D-3D imaging, cardiogenetics, ICD and remote follow-up; sports cardiology and physiology, anticoagulation in AF); 22 book chapters
- >250 active international congress participations, and >200 invited lectures
- Fundamental Clinical Investigator of the Fund for Scientific Research, Flanders (1996-2006)
- Director of the ECG Corelab, Leuven (11 trials), Clinical Trial Coordinating Investigator (2 trials), National Clinical Trial Coordinator (10 trials), Clinical Investigator (>13 trials), DSMB member (5 trials) (thrombolysis, atrial fibrillation, ablation, ICD, health-economics, anticoagulation). GCP Certified 2009
- Past Associate Editor, European Heart Journal (2002-2008). Current Editorial Board Member EP Europace, Acta Cardiologica, Advances in Venous Arterial Thrombosis, and Arrhythmia and Electrophysiology Review. Reviewer for multiple international journals.
- Member of the 2010 and 2016 ESC Guidelines for the Treatment of Atrial Fibrillation Committee, member of the 2017 HRS Document on MRI and Radiation Exposure for patients with CIEDs, and lead author of the EACPR Recommendations on Sports Participation with Arrhythmias, EACPR Proposal for a Core Curriculum in Sports Cardiology, EHRA Practical Guide on the Use of NOACs (+ Update), and EHRA Practical Guide on Radioprotection in Electrophysiology.

Organisational activity:

- see below

3. Previous experience in EHRA, ESC and National Bodies

- EHRA Secretary and Executive Board Member (2015-2017)
- other EHRA: chair (2009-2013) and member (2005-2009) of the Educational Committee. Board Member 2009-2013. Course director of the EHRA Case-based and Simulator Courses 2008-2011, EHRA Advanced EP Course 2013, and EHRA Courses for Affiliated Societies (Egypt 2012&2013; Russia 2013).
- EACPR: Chair of the Section on Sports Cardiology of the European Society of Cardiology / EACPR (2010-2012) and nucleus member (2006- 2014). EACPR Board Member (2010-2012)
- ESC: member of the ESC Education in Cardiology Committee (2009-2013), ESC Task Force on Education Online (2010-2012) and Planning Committee ESC Education ""Stroke management & prevention in AF" (2014-present)
- Belgian Society of Cardiology Board Member (2005 – 2011)
- Belgian Heart Rhythm Organisation (BeHRA) Nucleus Member (1995 – present)

4. Why I am interested in becoming EHRA's President-Elect

EHRA carries a long-standing commitment from my side, as my prior activities clearly prove. I have a strong belief that electrophysiologists need a strong scientific and professional organisation to educate and certify young physicians, to work with national societies to set the standards of EP care and make those more uniform throughout Europe and affiliated countries, to stimulate scientific research, to promote exchange of ideas, and to advocate the willingness by health care authorities to pay for proven EP care.

This requires EHRA action towards and together with the EP community itself (via EHRA's Committees and via national Working Groups), initiatives to bond electrophysiologists in Europe and beyond, and collaboration as a fully autonomous scientific society with other stakeholders like industry, other EP societies in the world, national and EU authorities, and the central services of ESC.

After a short sabbatical, I restarted my commitment for EHRA with renewed energy as elected Secretary in 2015. If bestowed by the honour of becoming elected President through the vote of my peers, I will devote myself with great enthusiasm to EHRA's and my colleague's missions, as outlined above.

5. How will you coordinate your EHRA appointment with your daily clinical/research workload?

My appointment as Chair of Cardiology at Antwerp University provides me with the organisational freedom to allocate time to administration, research, clinical, educational, and other activities. After reflecting on my challenges for the future, and with support of my staff members and of my family, it will be possible to devote myself to the commitments of an EHRA President.

6. Please list your conflict of interest

- A/** Direct personal payments (speaker fees, honoraria, advisory board fees, consultancy, investigator, ..)
- B/** payments to your institution ((speaker fees, honoraria, advisory board fees, consultancy, investigator, ..), **C/** receipts of royalties for intellectual property
- D/** research funding (departmental or institutional)
- E/** research funding (personal)

See my updated ESC Declaration of Interests, applicable to the full year 2016

(I was not able to fill out a new DOI on the ESC web site yet)

Position of influence declaration:

- 1/** Direct substantial shareholding or direct financial interest in healthcare, media, education companies or companies in relationship (suppliers or in competition with ESC or in contradiction with ESC mission)
- 2/** Employment in healthcare institution (part time or full time)
- 3/** Membership or affiliation in political/pressure group associations related to the field of cardiology
- 4/** Any potential interest to be declared related to the currency position to be held

To declare :

- 1/ Shareholder of my personal speaker's and consultancy VAT-compliant company (Jorestha Solutions bvba), as required by Belgian Law.
- 2/ Professor at Antwerp University and Chair of Cardiology at the Antwerp University Hospital, Belgium
- 3/ No other than scientific organisations (BeHRA, EHRA, EACPR, ESC)
- 4/ none

Declaration of Interest on 2016 activities

Member's Name
(in capital letters) : PROFESSOR HEIN HEIDBUHEL

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List which of the ESC bodies you are members eg Boards, Associations, Councils, Working groups, Task Forces, Committees, ETP Organiser, ESC Spokespersons.

Guidelines on AFib 2016 (TF26) - Task Force Member

- Others:**
- Council for Cardiology Practice: BELGIUM (26/2/02ym)
 - Belgian Society of Cardiology
 - European Heart Rhythm Association (EHRA)
 - EUROPACE Journal Board members
 - European Association of Preventive Cardiology (EAPC)
 - Council on Stroke

Your main employment :

Hospital.university.Other Name: Antwerp University and University Hospital

Location: Antwerp

Position: Full Professor

Please give details of any financial interest concerning you and your first degree relatives arising from:

1 - Financial Declaration

A - Direct Personal payment: Speaker fees, Honoraria, Consultancy, Advisory Board fees, Investigator, Committee Member, etc.

Company: Daiichi Sankyo

Product: statins, oral anticoagulants

Income: <10 k€/year

Company: Bayer

Product: anticoagulation, anti-anginal

Income: <10 k€/year

Company: CMGRP Limited, Oxford

Product: educational products

Income: <10 k€/year

Company: Boehringer-Ingelheim

Product: anticoagulation, hypertension

Declaration of Interest on 2016 activities

Income: <10 k€/year

Company: Bristol Myers Squibb

Product: anticoagulation

Income: <10 k€/year

Company: Pfizer

Product: anticoagulation

Income: <10 k€/year

Company: Downtown Europe

Product: congress organiser (Belg Soc Cardiol meeting and BeHRA meeting)

Income: <10 k€/year

Company: Flemisch Organisation Sports Medicine

Product: congress organiser

Income: <10 k€/year

Company: PSL Group Services SARL

Product: Educational audio recording

Income: <10 k€/year

B - Payment to your Institution: Speaker fees, Honoraria, Consultancy, Advisory Board fees, Investigator, Committee Member, etc.

Nothing To Declare

C - Receipt of royalties for intellectual property.

Nothing To Declare

D - Research funding (departmental or institutional).

Company: Bayer SA-NV Belgium

Product: anticoagulation (research grant through Hasselt University)

Income: 10-50 k€/year

Company: Bracco Imaging Europe BV

Product: echo contrast (research grant through Antwerp University)

Income: 10-50 k€/year

E - Research funding (personal).

Nothing To Declare

2 - Position of Influence Declaration

2.1 - *Direct substantial shareholding or direct financial interest in healthcare, media, education companies or companies in relationship (suppliers) or in competition with ESC or in contradiction with ESC mission: To reduce the burden of cardiovascular disease in Europe.*

Nothing to declare

2.2 - *Employment in healthcare industry (full or part time).*

Nothing to declare

2.3 - *Membership or affiliation in political/pressure group associations related to the field of Cardiology.*

Nothing to declare

2.4 - *Any other potential interest to be declared related to the currently ESC position held.*

Nothing to declare

I declare the information provided above is true and complete. Should any changes occur concerning my Financial Interests or Positions of Influence, which might impact my ESC activities during the current year, I will immediately advise the ESC of these changes (using My Declarations of Interest in My ESC). I own the full responsibility for identifying potential conflicts of interest in my ESC activities and raising these with the appropriate person. I am aware that I can be excluded from the ESC in case of wrong declaration.

Date: 20/03/2017

