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President-Elect

Professor Paul Dendale – President-Elect Candidate

Country: Belgium

Curriculum Vitae

Name : Paul AC Dendale, date of birth : 2 April 1961

Medical studies at the University of Antwerp from 1979 till 1986
Special licence in Sports Medicine at the University of Brussels (VUB) 1987-1988

Full time interim assistant in sports medicine at the University of Brussels (VUB) from januari 1988 till june 1988

Specialisation in Cardiology at the University Hospital of the University of Brussels (VUB) from august 1988 till august 1993, cardiologist since 5/8/93

Specialisation in Cardiac Rehabilitation at the University Hospital of the VUB completed 31/9/97

Appointed Resident Cardiologist at the University Hospital of the University of Brussels from 1993 till 1997

Appointed Consultant Cardiologist (part time) at the University Hospital of the VUB from 1/10/97 until 1/9/1999

Appointed Consultant Cardiologist (part time) at the University Hospital of the University of Antwerp (UZA) from 1/9/99 until 1/9/2002

Appointed as Cardiologist at the Virga Jesse Hospital in Hasselt from 1/10/97

Head of the Department of Cardiology Jessa Hospital from 1/1/2011

Professor of Cardiovascular pathophysiology and professor of Cardiovascular Rehabilitation at the Faculty of Medicine and Life Sciences, Hasselt University from 2008

Fellow of the European Society of Cardiology and the Belgian Society of Cardiology

President of the commission for accreditation of rehabilitation specialists

Secretary of the Association for Cardiovascular Prevention and Rehabilitation of the ESC (2012 – 2016)

Past President and past secretary of the Belgian Working Group on Cardiovascular Prevention and Rehabilitation of the Belgian Society of Cardiology

Past board member of the Belgian Society of Cardiology

Member of the Nucleus of the Section on Cardiac Rehabilitation of the EACPR (2006-2012)

Web master of the EACPR from 2012

A selection of recent publications in the field of rehabilitation, sports and exercise

- 1) Hansen D, Dendale P, Berger J, Onkelinx S, Reyckers I, Hermans A, Vaes J, Reenaers V, Meeusen R : Importance of exercise training session duration in the rehabilitation of coronary artery disease patients. *Eur J Cardiovasc Prev Rehabil* 2008;15:453-9.
- 2) Dendale P, Dereppe H, De Sutter C, Laruelle J, Vaes J, Lamotte M, Deroeck A, et al Position paper of the Belgian Working Group on Cardiovascular Prevention and Rehabilitation : cardiovascular rehabilitation *Acta Cardiologica* 2008;63:673-681
- 3) M Piepoli, U Corrà, W Benzer, B Bjarnason-Wehrens, P Dendale, D Gaita, H McGee, M Mendes, J Niebauer, A Olsen, Zwisler, JP Schmid. Secondary prevention through cardiac rehabilitation: from knowledge to implementation. A position paper from the Cardiac Rehabilitation Section of the European Association of Cardiovascular Prevention and Rehabilitation. *Eur J Cardiovasc Prev Rehabil* 2010;17;1-17
- 4) Bjarnason-Wehrens B, McGee H, Zwisler AD, Piepoli MF, Benzer W, Schmid JP, Dendale P, Pogossova NG, Zdrenghea D, Niebauer J, Mendes M; on behalf of the Cardiac Rehabilitation Section European Association of Cardiovascular Prevention and Rehabilitation. Cardiac rehabilitation in Europe: results from the European Cardiac Rehabilitation Inventory Survey. *Eur J Cardiovasc Prev Rehabil.* 2010 Aug;17(4):410-8
- 5) Massimo F Piepoli, Ugo Corrà, Werner Benzer, Birna Bjarnason-Wehrens, Paul Dendale, Dan Gaita, Hannah McGee, Miguel Mendes, Josef. Secondary prevention through cardiac rehabilitation: physical activity counselling and exercise training. *Eur Heart J* 2010;31:1967-1974
- 6) Dendale P, De Keulenaer G, Troisfontaines P, Weytjens C, Mullens W, Elegeert I, Ector B, Houbrechts M, Willekens K, Hansen D. Effect of a telemonitoring-facilitated collaboration between general practitioner and heart failure clinic on mortality and rehospitalization rates in severe heart failure: the TEMA-HF 1 (Telemonitoring in the Management of Heart Failure) study. *Eur J Heart Fail.* 2012 Mar;14(3):333-40
- 7) Zwisler AD, Bjarnason-Wehrens B, McGee H, Piepoli MF, Benzer W, Schmid JP, Dendale P, Pogossova NG, Zdrenghea D, Niebauer J, Mendes M, Doherty P, Garcia-Porrero E, Rauch B, Gaita D. Can level of education, accreditation and use of databases in cardiac rehabilitation be improved? Results from the European Cardiac Rehabilitation Inventory Survey. *Eur J Prev Cardiol.* 2012 Apr;19(2):143-50
- 8) Dendale P, Frederix I. The future of telerehabilitation: empowerment of patients versus long distance supervision. *Eur J Prev Cardiol.* 2013 Jun;20(2 Suppl):17
- 9) Frederix I, Hansen D, Coninx K, Vandervoort P, Vandijck D, Hens N, Van Craenenbroeck E, Van Driessche N, Dendale P. Medium-Term Effectiveness of a Comprehensive Internet-Based and Patient-Specific Telerehabilitation Program With Text Messaging Support for Cardiac Patients: Randomized Controlled Trial. *J Med Internet Res.* 2015 Jul 23;17(7):e185. doi: 10.2196/jmir.4799.
- 10) Frederix I, Hansen D, Coninx K, Vandervoort P, Vandijck D, Hens N, Van Craenenbroeck E, Van Driessche N, Dendale P. Effect of comprehensive cardiac telerehabilitation on one-year cardiovascular rehospitalization rate, medical costs and quality of life: A cost-effectiveness analysis. *Eur J Prev Cardiol.* 2015 Aug 19. pii: 2047487315602257. [Epub ahead of print]

Vision statement

In the last 10 years, I had the opportunity to work for EACPR at several levels : first as member of the nucleus of the Cardiac Rehabilitation Section for 6 years, then as Secretary of EACPR from 2012 up to now. I am member of the Science committee and president of the Communications Committee of EACPR and EACPR representative in the Web Committee of ESC. In those years, I was responsible for the redesign of the EACPR part of the ESC website and the EACPR newsletter and for efforts to introduce Twitter and Linked In into our Association. The EACPR part of the website is ranked higher than most other ESC associations, and our press releases concerning preventive cardiology are at

the absolute top in "publicity value". This had not been possible if I was not supported by an enthusiastic Communications Committee and the Heart House staff, I hope to be able to continue this important effort in the next years.

I also had the opportunity to represent EACPR at the highest level of ESC in several meetings of the Association's Forum, where the leadership of ESC and of the associations define the future of cardiology in Europe.

In doing this, I experienced the very professional way our Association is run, with the help of the Heart House staff and the support of ESC leadership. I was responsible for the new membership program of EACPR and the harmonization of the Association's statutes with those of ESC, which will help in further increasing professionalism in our work. The board of EACPR recently decided to make a part time staff member available to support the work of the President and the board of EACPR, a decision I think is very important to further increase the efficiency of our work.

Over the last years, I have seen EACPR develop and become the leading organization in cardiovascular prevention in Europe. In putting forward my candidacy for president of EACPR, I hope to contribute further to this important task. The scope of prevention should still be broadened, with inclusion of all aspects of cardiovascular prevention during the whole lifetime of each of us. This will create a "continuum of prevention" : starting from promotion of a healthy lifestyle and sports screening in early childhood, over risk factor screening and management, promotion of healthy exercise and sports in primary prevention, towards the different aspects of secondary prevention, all of this directed towards the individual and the population. This endeavor will call upon the different subgroups in our association. Epidemiologists and population scientists will have to continue to deliver the data on risk and how to mitigate it at the largest scale. We do regularly need new data about the status of cardiovascular prevention and rehabilitation in Europe : the long standing Euroaspire project but also a new Cardiac Rehabilitation Inventory Survey are essential to help us in measuring the impact of EACPR in Europe. Exercise, cardiac rehabilitation and sport cardiology specialists will study the most efficient training modalities and screening tools to allow the different populations to participate in safe and effective exercise adapted to their specificities : going from children, over obese, diabetic patients and top sportsmen up to secondary prevention in different forms of heart diseases. And we will have to develop expertise in new fields such as genetics, nutrition etc.

Not only ischemic heart disease can be prevented : heart failure, sudden death in sportsmen, peripheral and cerebrovascular disease, and even atrial fibrillation are diseases that can benefit from primary and secondary prevention. The association should take up this challenge to broaden the scope of prevention into these fields, using new tools such as genetic analysis, telemonitoring, and the development of new screening tools and early warning systems. These programs have to be based on sound scientific principles : EACPR will have to strengthen further the collaborative European research projects, basic as well as translational, on all aspects of the continuum of prevention. EACPR should also take the lead in the development of new models of prevention, making use of the possibilities of information technology.

Another major task for EACPR is the promulgation of the science developed within the Association : structured online, printed and live education, certification and accreditation are priorities for the next few years. In times when it is more difficult to find sponsorship for conferences, we will have to evolve towards conferences that are sustainable, possibly at a slightly smaller and more efficient scale. This will have impact on the way Europevent and our courses will evolve. The efforts of the past Editors of the European Journal of Preventive Cardiology have resulted in a position at the top in the field of preventive cardiology : the next Editor in Chief will have to keep the journal on track to strengthen its position. The online quizzes, pioneered by the Sports Cardiology section, should be continued and expanded towards more case based learning for clinicians.

The educational efforts directed towards professionals working in preventive cardiology are already well developed and successful, but the Association should also strive to become the main source of reliable information for the general public. A specific part of the website as well as the use of modern means of communication will support this effort : as the website "heartfailurematters" is a very popular source of information for thousands of patients, we should strive towards an analogy for preventive cardiology.

An important focus for the Association should be the young researchers and clinicians. First initiatives are already taken by creating the Young EACPR group. We should promote the participation of young people, not only in our congresses or courses, but also in the work of our sections and commissions.

In my view, the Association is very well placed to play a more active role in influencing politicians and decision makers toward choices for a more healthy society, and this at the national and international level. By further strengthening the superb collaborative effort between national prevention coordinators, the EACPR is in a position to influence the lives of millions of Europeans. And we should continue to collaborate with countries outside Europe to increase the reach of our message.

And to be able to reach our goals, we should of course pay attention towards the financial stability of our Association. In times when sponsorship by pharmaceutical companies is harder to find, we will have to develop new models of financing. For this, several possibilities should be explored : European funding for collaborative research, the further development of our Journal and conferences, the membership program, sale of educational items, and other forms of fund raising. With this vision statement, I hope to convince you that our Association is very much alive and kicking! I hope to be able to contribute further to the different aspects of the continuum of prevention as the president-elect of EACPR

Prof. Dan Gaita – President-Elect Candidate

Country: Romania

Curriculum Vitae

Dan GAITA

Titles and degrees:

MD, PhD, FESC
Professor of Cardiology

Birth date: June 1st 1962

Nationality: Romanian

Professional address:

Universitatea de Medicina si Farmacie Victor Babes
Departamentul de Cardiologie
Institutul de Boli Cardiovasculare
Clinica de Cardiologie Preventiva & Recuperare Cardiovasculara
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University Studies and Diplomas:

1982-1988 – Universitatea de Medicina si Farmacie Victor Babes, Timisoara
2005-2007 – Master in Human Resources Management – Universitatea de Vest Timisoara

Main titles & positions

2010-2014 Founder President of Romanian Heart Foundation (Foundation of Romanian cardiologists

since 2014 President of CardioPrevent Foundation

since 2015 Board Member of European Heart Network

2012- 2015 Board Member of World Heart Federation

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

since 2007 National Coordinator for Cardiovascular Prevention

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
since 2005 President of Cardiovascular Prevention & Rehabilitation and Atherosclerosis & Atherotrombosis Working Groups within Romanian Society of Cardiology

2004 – 2012 Scientific & Research Vice Rector of „Victor Babes” University of Medicine and Pharmacy

Main fields of interest:

- cardiovascular prevention: hypertension, lipids, diabetes
- exercise testing & exercise training (cardiac rehabilitation)

Main scientific work:

- PhD at Victor Babes University of Medicine and Pharmacy, Timisoara: “Cardiac Rehabilitation in Chronic Heart Failure” (2000)
- director of 8 national and international research projects
- author / co-author of 10 books and book chapters in cardiovascular rehabilitation; 61 full papers in journals of cardiology; 392 abstracts in conferences and congresses
- first author “Of heart and kidney: a complicated love story”. EJPC, 2014
- co-author of “EUROASPIRE IV: A European Society of Cardiology survey on the lifestyle, risk factor and therapeutic management of coronary patients from 24 European countries”. EJPC, 2014

- co-author of "Can level of education, accreditation and use of databases in cardiac rehabilitation be improved? Results from the European Cardiac Rehabilitation Inventory Survey". Eur J Cardiovasc Prev Rehabil, 2011.
- co-author of "Secondary prevention through cardiac rehabilitation: physical activity counselling and exercise training: key components of the position paper from the Cardiac Rehabilitation Section of the European Association of Cardiovascular Prevention and Rehabilitation". Eur Heart J, 2010.
- co-author of "Secondary prevention through cardiac rehabilitation: from knowledge to implementation. A position paper from the Cardiac Rehabilitation Section of the European Association of Cardiovascular Prevention and Rehabilitation". Eur J Cardiovasc Prev Rehabil, 2010.
- co-author of "Cardiac Rehabilitation: Europe" in "Cardiovascular Prevention and Rehabilitation" published by Springer-Verlag London Limited, 2007.
- co-author of "Position paper of the Working Group on Cardiac Rehabilitation and Exercise Physiology of the European Society of Cardiology: core components of cardiac rehabilitation in chronic heart failure". Eur J Cardiovasc Prev Rehabil, 2005

- reviewer of The ESC Textbook of Cardiovascular Medicine (Second Edition), Oxford University Press 2009
- ESC Congress "Focus Session" Coordinator – CardioPulmonaryExercise Testing (2008)
- co-author of 2008 ESC Core Curriculum for the General Cardiologist.
- reviewer of 2007 Guidelines for the Management of Arterial Hypertension.
- since 2005 - reviewer of the abstracts of ESC Congress

- Local host European Heart Network Annual Workshop and General Assembly Bucharest, 21 - 23 May 2014
- Initiator of National Prevention Day (2010)
- Initiator of CROSS-EUROPE Project (2010)
- Founder of National Forum for CVD Prevention (2009)
- National Coordinator of EuroAspire III & IV & V
- Member in Steering Committee of EuroAspire III & IV & V
- Coordinator of Heart Health Charter signing event in Romania (2007)

Affiliation:

- 2014 – Visiting Professor Mt Sinai, New York, USA
- 2013 – Invited Professor Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia, USA
- 2006–2012 – member in the Board of European Association for Cardiovascular Prevention & Rehabilitation
- 2003-2006 – member of Cardiac Rehabilitation Nucleus of European Society of Cardiology
- 1995-1999 – member of European Association on Cardiovascular Rehabilitation (1999 –member in Board of Directors)
- since 1994 – member of European Society of Cardiology and of Working Group of Exercise Physiology and Cardiac Rehabilitation
- since 1991 – member of Romanian Society of Cardiology and of Working Group of Cardiovascular Prevention and Rehabilitation (secretary 1994-2000)

European educational courses:

- Course Coordinator of EU-CDA 2013 – Management of Diabetes in Patients with Cardiovascular Disease, Eastern Europe, endorsed by European Society of Cardiology – Bucharest, Chisinau, Almaty , Sofia.
- Co-director of ESC Educational Committee Course- Dubrovnik Cardiology Update, 1-4 October 2009, 2011, 2013, 2015
- Member of European Programme Committee of Rome Cardiology Forum 2010, 2012, 2014
- Faculty of the ESC Course "The everyday challenge of prevention" – European Heart House, 20-22 November 2008 , Sophia Antipolis, France.
- Faculty of the EACPR Course "How to set up and run a Cardiac Rehabilitation Programme", Berne, Switzerland in 2006, 2008, 2010
- Faculty of the ESC Course "Smoking Cessation" - European Heart House, 5-6 June 2008 , Sophia Antipolis, France.
- Faculty of the ESC Course "The everyday challenge of prevention – From guidelines to effective intervention" – European Heart House, 15-17 November, 2007, Sophia Antipolis, France.
- Course director of the ESC Course "The Everyday Challenge of Prevention – From Risk Factors to Effective Intervention" - European Heart House, 23-25 November 2006, Sophia Antipolis, France.

- Invited speaker in International Congresses of Cardiology in: Spain, Greece, Croatia, Slovenia, Serbia, Slovakia, Russia, Bulgaria, Lebanon, India, Philippines, Australia, UAE, Morocco, Portugal, Mexico, Thailand

Vision statement

CVD Prevention and project management are my core expertise and the European Association for Cardiovascular Prevention and Rehabilitation is the first and most important affiliation for me, because the association is representing the best of my daily practice, my main group of specialists I am interfering with and it is related to my highest professional ideals. That is the reason why my vision about EACPR is:

" To lead the CV Prevention community, succeeding to detect and treat CV disease early and to prevent recurrent events in order to reduce premature CV death across Europe."

...and from the leadership point of view, the main pillars at the basement of this structure are represented by the improvement of the organizational spirit and budget.

In this regard, aspiring to bring my ability and skills to get results as **President Elect** of EACPR, the main directions are:

1. **To improve members participation** in EACPR activities, keeping a good balance between practice and research, but making people to feel that they are part of a friendly supportive group – as a basic point, this is related to a minimum representation of members from each country (attracting leaders but encouraging young specialists too), helping us to have the European diversity of different models of care, without losing our local/regional influence.

Main goals : Optimizing prevention community/Keeping fair representation

2. **To support sections development**, as the core strategy to combine the diversity of our professional interests with the recognition of the way to deal with the best practice, building the best educational tools, writing, updating and delivering the most useful guidelines

Main goals : Focusing on early detection and comprehensive treatment/Adding scientific values

3. **To consolidate EACPR leadership in CV Prevention** – starting from the point that EuroPrevent is the biggest event in CVD Prevention worldwide is important to build powerful partnerships including societies representing specialists connected with CVD Prevention: diabetologists, nephrologists, neurologists, pneumologists, GPs...

Main goals : Increasing participation/Improving revenue

In my career I have been challenged to be a good cardiologist, a devoted teacher and to develop leadership, offering a strong combination of communication/public-speaking experience, healthcare expertise and having the ability to find solutions and to put in practice successful projects, as well as the skills to create and to develop powerful worldwide interdisciplinary partnerships. I have an experience of more than **15 years in EACPR Board/WG of Exercise Physiology and Cardiac Rehabilitation** and while my enclosed CV provides an informative overview of my strengths and achievements, I have also listed the main three points of my relevant experience:

1. **Cardiology background** - In addition to my daily practice as cardiologist and my didactic career, my experience as **National Coordinator for CVD Prevention** offered me the opportunity to develop an in-depth understanding of medical, social and political aspects that CVD actually means in Europe, putting always the patient in the centre of my actions.

2. **Leadership expertise** - The successful launch and activities of the **Romanian Heart Foundation and National Forum for Cardiovascular Disease Prevention** is representing one of the greatest challenge of my professional career, bringing me the unique expertise of starting-up and continuing projects and challenging my advocacy skills in a country with one of the highest CVD mortality.

3. **Networking skills** - Improving my expertise in management of the association affairs, I can bring my knowledge in building-up a long-term strategy for EACPR, harmonizing European particularities with European trends (former WHF Board member and current EHN Board member) .

Taking into consideration my background and my motivation to contribute to EACPR goals and achievements, please consider me one of the best options for being President Elect of EACPR.

Secretary

Assoc. Prof. Uwe Nixdorff – Secretary Candidate

Country: Germany

Curriculum Vitae

Professional Education and Activities

12.06.1958 Birth, Hofheim/Ts., Germany
1970 - 1978 High School Main-Taunus, Hofheim/Ts., Germany
1978 - 1985 Study of Medicine, Johann Wolfgang Goethe-University, Frankfurt/Main, Germany
1981 Witwatersrand University, Baragwanath Hospital (Prof. du Plessis), Johannesburg, South Africa (Medical Clerkship)
1985 - 1986 Military Hospital, Internal Department (Oberstarzt Dr. Schmidt), Giessen, Germany (Surgeon major)
1986 - 1987 German Heart Center Munich, Clinic for Heart und Circulatory Diseases (Prof. Rudolph), Munich, Germany (Resident)
1987 - 1998 Johannes Gutenberg University Clinic, 2nd Medical Clinic (Prof. Meyer), Mainz, Germany (Resident)
1988 Michael Reese Hospital, Division of Cardiology (Prof. Weber), Chicago, USA (Research Fellow)
1989 University of Virginia School of Medicine, Division of Cardiology (Prof. Kaul), Charlottesville, USA (Research Fellow)
1989 Harvard Medical School, Massachusetts General Hospital, Non-invasive Cardiac Laboratory (Prof. Weyman), Boston, USA (Research Fellow)
1988 - 1990 Emergency physician service ("Notfallärztlicher Dienst"), Ortenberg, Germany
1990 - 1998 Cardiology supervision of coronary sport's group (secondary and tertiary cardiovascular prevention), Hofheim/Ts., Germany
1998 - 2004 Friedrich-Alexander University Clinic Erlangen-Nuremberg, 2nd Medical Clinic (Prof. Daniel), Erlangen, Germany (Consultant)
2004 Cooper Institute / Clinic (Dr. Cooper), Dallas, USA (Educational Program)
2005 European Prevention Center (CEO; grounding of company)
2006 Leibniz-Institute for Arteriosclerosis Research at Westfälische Wilhelms-University Münster /Assmann-Siftung für Prävention (Prof. Assmann), Münster, Germany (Research Fellow)
2007 - today European Prevention Center, Berlin, Germany (Medical CEO)
2007 - 2010 European Prevention Center; Duisburg, Germany (Medical CEO)
2010 - today European Prevention Center, Düsseldorf, Germany (Medical CEO)
2015 - today European Prevention Center, München, Germany (Medical CEO)
2010 - today Dresden International University (DIU) (Honoray Professor of Master study course "Master of Science in Preventive Medicine (M.Sc.); since 2015 scientific leadership)

Qualification

15.06.78 High School Diploma, High School Main-Taunus, Hofheim/Ts., Germany
01.06.81 Scholarship by Dr. Carl Duisberg-Stiftung, Bonn, Germany
02.05.85 M.D. Degree, Johann Wolfgang Goethe-University, Frankfurt/Main, Germany
20.05.85 Approbation (Licensure for practicing medicine)
09.06.86 Doctoral Thesis, Topic: „Efficacy of Intra-Coronary Applications of Nifedipine, Nitroglycerine, and Dipyridamol in The Experimental Model of Chronic Collateralized Dog Hearts“ (qualified as: magna cum laude), Johann Wolfgang Goethe-University, Frankfurt/Main, Germany
25.10.93 Specialisation as Internist

08.11.95 Sub-specialisation as Cardiologist
 09.07.98 Habilitation (Assistant Professor), Topic: „Quantitative Transthoracic Echocardiography for Left Ventricular Function Analysis in The Post Infarction Period. Clinical and Experimental Examinations“, Johannes Gutenberg- University, Mainz, Germany
 09.11.98 Qualification for radiation protection
 16.02.00 Re-Habilitation, Friedrich-Alexander-University Erlangen-Nuremberg, Erlangen, Germany
 27.10.03 Sub-specialisation for Sport's Medicine
 17.09.04 Physical Fitness Specialist (Cooper Institute), Dallas/Texas, USA
 08.02.07 Requalification for radiation protection
 17.09.07 European Cardiologist (ESC)
 04.03.08 APL-Professorship (Associate Professor)

Publications and Lectures

- 62 Original papers in journals with a scientific editorial board
- 14 Case reports in journals with a scientific editorial board
- 57 Review papers in journals with a scientific editorial board
- 154 Published abstracts of scientific congresses and symposia
- 36 Articles in books
- 586 Lectures and Posters
- Reviewing activities for (in chronologic order of frequent activity):
 - European Heart Journal (Member of the Editorial Board)
 - European Heart Journal – Cardiovascular Imaging (former European Journal of Echocardiography (Member of the Editorial Board)
 - Ultrasound in Medicine & Biology (Member of the Editorial Board)
 - Atherosclerosis
 - International Journal of Cardiovascular Imaging
 - European Journal of Heart Failure
 - International Journal of Cardiology
 - Journal of Geriatric Cardiology (Member of the Editorial Board)
 - BioMedicalCentral Cardiovascular Disorders
 - American Journal of Cardiology
 - International Archives of Occupational and Environmental Health
 - The Scientific World Journal (Member of the Editorial Board)
 - Journal of the American College of Cardiology
 - American Journal of Medicine
 - Clinical Research in Cardiology (former Zeitschrift für Kardiologie)
 - European Journal of Neurology
 - Medizinische Klinik
 - Expert Review of Cardiovascular Therapy
 - European Medical Journal (EMJ) – Interventional Cardiology (Member of the Editorial Board)
 - Journal of Cardiology and Therapy (Member of the Editorial Board)
 - Echo Research and Practice - Journal of the British Society of Echocardiography (Member of the Editorial Board)
 - Journal of Cardiovascular Disorders (Member of the Editorial Board)
 - European Journal of Medical Research
 - EC Cardiology Journal (E-Cronicon) (Member of the Editorial Board)
 - Journal of Translational Internal Medicine (Mitglied des Editorial Boards)
 - Austin Cardio & Cardiovascular Case Reports (Mitglied des Editorial Boards)
 - The Science Advisory Board (granted complimentary membership)

- Abstracta-Review for annual meetings of European Society of Cardiology, EuroPrevent, EUROECHO and German Cardiac Society
- Supervision and review of 40 Doctoral Theses (University Clinic Mainz, Germany; and Erlangen-Nuremberg, Germany)
- Supervision and review of 6 Master Thesis (Dresden International University (DIU))

Acquisition of Research Funding

1999 „Erlanger Leistungsbezogene Anschubfinanzierung und Nachwuchsförderung (ELAN)“-Funding: "Tissue Doppler echocardiography"
 1999 „Erlanger Leistungsbezogene Anschubfinanzierung und Nachwuchsförderung (ELAN)“-Funding: "Contrast echocardiography"
 2000 Staedtler-Funding: "Implementation of strain rate imaging in dobutamine stress echocardiography"
 2001 Deutsche Forschungsgemeinschaft (DFG) - Graduiertenkolleg "Vascular diseases of the heart and kidneys: pathogenesis and diagnosis"
 2006 Bundesministerium für Bildung und Forschung (BMBF) – Programm Mikrosystemtechnik 2000+ -Funding: "PRECARE: Preventive Exploration of Cardiovascular Events"
 Several industry sponsored trials (DEVIANT I and II, REPLACE, ACE, CHARM and others)

Awards

1988 Young Investigator's Award of the International Council on Electrocardiology
 1996 Best Abstract Award - Honourable Mention of the International Society of Cardiovascular Ultrasound
 1996 Award for Increasing the Stature and Contributing to the Success of the 2nd World Congress of Echocardiography and Vascular Ultrasound held in Beijing (China) on May 24-26, 1996
 1996 Best Poster Award of the 8th Essen-Mayo-Mainz Symposium
 1998 Who is Who in the Federal Republic of Germany. Biographic Encyclopaedia of leading men and women (Hübner´s Blaues Who is Who)
 1998 Who's Who in the World (The Marquis Who's Who Publication Board)
 1998 Who's Who in Science and Engineering (The Marquis Who's Who Publication Board)
 2000 Who's Who in Medicine and Healthcare (The Marquis Who's Who Publication Board)
 2000 New Century Award: The Europe 500 (Barons Who's Who)
 2000 F.E.S.C. (Fellow of the European Society of Cardiology)
 2001 Honour of an Outstanding Contribution in the Field of Cardiology: 2000 Outstanding Intellectuals of the 21th Century (International Biographical Centre Cambridge, England)
 2002 2000 Outstanding Europeans of the 21th Century (International Biographical Centre Cambridge, England)
 2002 Honourable Knight of the St. John´s Order (Balley Brandenburg des Ritterlichen Ordens St. Johannis vom Spital zu Jerusalem - Der Johanniterorden)
 2003 Kürschners Deutscher Gelehrten-Kalender 2003 (KG Saur-Verlag, Munich, Germany, 2003)
 2005 Dictionary of International Biography (International Biographical Centre Cambridge, England)
 2005 1st Award of the Business Plan-Competition Best Excellence Rhein Main 2004 (European Prevention Center)
 2005 2nd University Grounding Award ("Hochschulgründer-Preis") by the Friedrich-Alexander-University Erlangen-Nuremberg, Business Plan-Competition "Netzwerk/Nordbayern" 2005 (European Prevention Center)
 2007 Bestowal of decoration by the "Ehrenritterkreuz" of the St. John´s Order (Balley Brandenburg des Ritterlichen Ordens St. Johannis vom Spital zu Jerusalem - Der Johanniterorden)

Membership and Activities in Societies

- American Heart Association (AHA) , Council on Clinical Cardiology (since 1993)
- European Society of Cardiology (ESC), European Association of Echocardiography

- (EAE) (since 1988; active grounding member of the Accreditation Committee in Echocardiography 2003 – 2007); European Association of Cardiovascular Prevention & Rehabilitation (EACPR) (since 2007; Nucleus Member of Section Prevention, Epidemiology & Population Science (PEP) since 2010; Member of Prevention Implementation Committee since 2010)
- German Society of Cardiology (DGK), Working Group of Cardiovascular Ultrasound (since 1988, Chairman 2000 - 2005; Chairman of Cluster of the Working Groups on Cardio-CT, CMR, Echo and Nuclear 2002-2006; Chairman of the Committee for Certification in Echocardiography 2005-2007); Working Group of Cardio-CT (since 2005); Working Group of Preventive Cardiology (since 2014 as 2nd Chairman, since 2015 as 1st Chairman)
 - American Society of Echocardiography (ASE), Council on Cardiac Sonography (since 1996)
 - International Society of Cardiovascular Ultrasound (since 1998)
 - Society of Cardiovascular Computed Tomography (SCCT) (since 2005; grounding member)
 - The New York Academy of Science (NYAC) (since 1995)
 - German Society of Internal Medicine (DGIM) (since 1990)
 - Professional Confederation of German Internists (BDI) (since 1988)
 - German Society of Ultrasound in Medicine (DEGUM) (since 1997; "Seminarleiter" since 2002)
 - German Heart Foundation (since 1991; Scientific Board since 2001)
 - German Society of Sport's Medicine (since 1990)
 - "Forum Medizin Technik und Pharma in Bayern e.V." (Bayern Innovativ / Gesellschaft für Innovation und Wissenstransfer mbH) (since 2003)
 - Interdisziplinäres Zentrum für Public Health (IZPH) of Friedrich-Alexander University Erlangen-Nürnberg (since 2003)
 - German Society of Anti-Aging Medicine (GSAAM) (since 2011; Member of Steering Committee since 2013 and Member of Scientific Board since 2011)
 - Deutsche Hochdruckliga (German Society of Hypertension and Prevention) (since 2012; Member of Commission of Vascular Function)

Personal

Nationality: German

Religion: Protestant

Languages: German (native language), English, French (modestly)

Married to Sigrid Brigitte Nixdorff, born as Maletzki, since 05.06.92

Children: 1 daughter: Caroline Sophie Nixdorff, born on 23.07.94; 1 son: Constantin Friedrich Nixdorff, born on 23.08.96

Düsseldorf, 12th February 2016

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Publication List (10 recent)

577. Nixdorff U. Rationale und Perspektiven der Präventionsmedizin. Masterstudiengang der Dresden International University (DIU). 15. Konferenz der Deutschen Gesellschaft für Prävention und Anti-Aging-Medizin (GSAAM, German Society of Anti-Aging Medicine), München, 30. April – 2. Mai 2015.

578. Nixdorff U. Schlafapnoe aus Sicht des Kardiologen. 2. Patientenforum Schlafmedizin. Aktuelles aus der Diagnostik und Therapie der Schlafapnoe. Düsseldorf, 17. Juni 2015.

579. Nixdorff U. Kardiovaskuläre Fitness: Was ist das, wie, warum und wieviel? IFIM (Institution für Interdisziplinäre Medizin), Düsseldorf, 18. August 2015.

580. Nixdorff U. Schlafbezogene Atmungsstörung und Kardiologie aktuell. BUB-Kurs „Ambulante Polygraphie“, Düsseldorf, 6. September 2015.

581. Nixdorff U. Gesund alt werden – Kardiovaskuläre Prävention. AADI (Kompetenz in

Ästhetik & Kosmetik) – 33. Kompetenzseminar, Duisburg, 25. und 26. September 2015.

582. Nixdorff U. Frauenherzen schlagen anders. Gender Specific Aspects in Cardiology. 1. Düsseldorfer Kongress für Frauenmedizin, Düsseldorf, 6. und 7. November 2015.

583. Nixdorff U. Genetik in der Kardiologie. Update Genetik 2015, Hamburg, 13. und 14. November 2015.

584. Nixdorff U. Präklinische Atherosklerose: ED im Rahmen der kardiovaskulären Risikostratifikation.
Präventive Kardiologie – Endotheliale Dysfunktion, Düsseldorf 20. Januar 2016.

585. Nixdorff U. Kardiovaskuläre Prävention: Alte und neue Risikofaktoren und –marker. Ausbildungsprogramm Präventionsmedizin der GenoGyn, Köln, 23. Januar 2016.

586. Nixdorff U. Mens sana in corpore sano: Wie wichtig ist Prävention? Remscheider Kardio Update, Symposium 2016; Remscheid, 30. Januar 2016.

Vision statement

It is a pleasure for me to further extent my CV preventive activities within the EACPR by applying for the position of Secretary after having been encouraged doing so by the PEP Section.

For my personal conviction and vision CV prevention has fundamental future within the health systems. The reason is demographic change implying the paradox of reducing mortality for the price of increasing morbidity. The historical epidemic development of pathologic features from communicable to non communicable diseases together with medical technical processes resulted in this paradox. This historical process seems to be evolutionary and not being really recognized, even not by social political officers of national and international health authorities, who in lacking recognition try to solve health service problems by one reform to the other which are rarely successful in a sustainable way. For the exclusive task of CV prevention which is morbidity compression a paradigm shift is necessary which has to be reflected on very medical and physiologic issues. Quite a lot of unreflective procedures in interventional cardiology in many countries (my own country of Germany being an example) are not really evidenced-based nor curative (often not more than palliative) as guideline approach of ischaemia detection is ignored by the oculostenotic reflex together with some reimbursement motivation. Risk factors induced coronary artery disease is much more convincingly treated by preventive actions to diminish the causative issue.

For my personal biography my way to CV prevention started from an interest and activity in imaging as being involved in the former EAE, actively in several accreditation programs of echo, stress echo, echo lab. Nationally I had been chairman of the Working Group of Cardiovascular Ultrasound 2000 - 2006, also 1st and 2nd chairman of the cluster of the imaging working groups (cardio-CT, MRI, echo, nuclear), also being involved in certification activities of echo. Since 2007 I had got involved in the EACPR with 2010 being voted into the PEP Section, partly in the Prevention Implementation Committee, since recently in the EACPR Education Committee as well as very recently being responsible as the EACPR representative at the ESC Education Committee. Nationally I am the chairman of the Working Group of Preventive Cardiology within the German Cardiac Society since 2014.

For me I would be honoured if being voted as a Secretary Officer of the EACPR which would be a mission for my vision mentioned above. In this sense I would take the responsibility by my personality with future inspiration as well as taking very practically the duty implied with this position.

Professor Zlatko FRAS– Secretary Candidate

Country: Ljubljana

Curriculum Vitae

Place and Date of Birth

Maribor, Slovenia, August 18, 1963

Training and Education

- Faculty of Medicine, University of Ljubljana, graduated 1989
- Specialist in Internal Medicine (Cardiovascular Medicine), licensed 1998
- Specialist in Cardiology & Vascular Medicine, licensed 2010

Post Graduate Scientific Degrees

- Master Degree, University of Ljubljana, 1994
- PhD Degree, University of Ljubljana, 2007

Professional Positions

- Consultant – Internal Medicine (Cardiovascular Medicine) --- 1998 till now (ongoing)
- Consultant – Cardiology and Vascular Medicine---2010 till now (ongoing)
- Medical Director – Division of Medicine, University Medical Centre Ljubljana – 2008 till now (ongoing)
- Professor – Chair of Internal Medicine (Preventive Cardiology), Medical Faculty, University of Ljubljana – 2005 till now (ongoing)

Fellowships/Honours

- Fellow of the European Society of Cardiology – FESC, 2001
- Fellow of the American College of Cardiology – FACC, 2013

Scientific Merits

- Author / co---author of over 380 scientific units In both national and international sources – the list is available online at the COBISS.SI (Co---operative Online Bibliographic System & Service), URL address: <http://izumbib.izum.si/bibliografije/Y20151008130123--A3539811.html>.

European Society of Cardiology (ESC):

- National Coordinator - European Forum on CVD prevention – 1998 till now (ongoing)
- Deputy Chairman - EACPR Education Committee - 2010 – 2012
- Member -ESC Education Committee - 2010–2012
- Writing Group - ESC Core Curriculum for General Cardiology 2013
- ESC Guidelines reviewer - ESC guidelines on CVD Prevention 2012
- National Coordinator - ESC Guidelines Committee – 1996 till now (ongoing)
- National Coordinator -EURO ASPIREIII, IV (ndV) surveys – 2007-2016
- Co-Director -ESC Cardiology Highlights - Dubrovnik (Croatia) 2009, 2011, 2013, 2015
- National Coordinator -Alpe - Adria Association of Cardiology – 1998 till now (ongoing)

Slovenian Society of Cardiology (SSC):

- Chairman – Working Group on CVD Prevention (preventive Cardiology) - 1996 till now (ongoing)
- Vice-President SSC -2003 -2012
- President SSC -2013 till now (ongoing)

Slovenian Health Care system:

- Chairman – National Programme on Primary CVD Prevention - 2002 till now (ongoing)

Slovenian Medical Chamber:

- Chairman – Committee of Post graduate Medical Specialist Training - 1998–2012

Union Europeene des Medecins Specialistes (UEMS):

- Chairman–WG on Post graduate Training - 2002–2006

- President UEMS
- Liaison Officer UEMS

-2006–2011
- 2012 till now (ongoing)

Other International Scientific Committee Participation

- European Congress on Non invasive Cardiovascular Dynamics (1995)
- International Congress on Fibrinolysis and Thrombolysis (1998)
- Congress of Mediterranean League of Angiology and Vascular Surgery (2004)
- Mediterranean Congress of Cardiology and Cardiovascular Surgery (2005)

Editorial Boards

- Slovenskakardiologija (Slovene Cardiology) - Editor-in-chief
- European Journal on Preventive Cardiology – Member of the Editorial Board
- Journal of European CME – Member of the Editorial Board
- Medical Journal – Journal of the Institute for Research and Development, Sarajevo– member of the Editorial Board

10 major publications (last 3 years)

- Kotseva K, De Bacquer D, Jennings C,, **Fras Z**, ... **Keber I**, et al; EUROASPIRE Investigators, Amouyel P. Adverse Lifestyle Trends Counter Improvements in Cardiovascular Risk Factor Management in Coronary Patients. *J Am Coll Cardiol* 2015;66:1634-6.
- Gyberg V, De Bacquer D, DeBacker G,**FrasZ**,; EUROASPIRE Investigators. Patients with coronary artery disease and diabetes need improved management : a report from the EUROASPIRE IV survey : a registry from the Euro Observational Research Programme of the European Society of Cardiology. *Cardiovasc Diabetol* 2015;14:133.
- Kotseva K, Wood D ,DeBacquer D,**FrasZ**, ...et al; on behalf of the EUROASPIRE Investigators. EUROASPIRE IV : A European Society of Cardiology survey on the lifestyle, risk factor and therapeutic management of coronary patients from 24 European countries. *Eur J PrevCardiol*. 2015 Feb 16.pii:2047487315569401.
- Pruger C, Wellmann J, Heidrich J, ...**FrasZ**, ...et al; EUROASPIRE Study Group. Readiness for smoking cessation in coronary heart disease patients across Europe: Results from the EUROASPIRE III survey. *Eur J PrevCardiol* 2015;22:1212--9.
- Banach M, Rizzo M, Toth PP, ...**FrasZ**, ..., et al. Statin intolerance-an attempt at a unified definition. Position paper from an International Lipid Expert Panel. *Expert Opin Drug Saf*2015;14:935--55.
- Banach M, Rizzo M, Toth PP, ...**FrasZ**, ... ,et al. Statin intolerance - an attempt at a unified definition. Position paper from an International Lipid Expert Panel. *Arch Med Sci* 2015;11:1--23.
- Poredoš P, Jezovnik M, Kalodiki E, ...**FrasZ**, ...et al. Medical management of patients with peripheral arterial disease. *IntAngiol* 2015;34:75--93.
- Pruger C, Wellmann J, Heidrich J, DeBacquer D, Perier MC, Empana JP, Reiner Z, **FrasZ**, Jennings C, Kotseva K, Wood D, Keil U; on behalf of the EUROASPIRE Study Group. Passive smoking and smoking cessation among patients with coronary heart disease across Europe: results from the EUROASPIRE III survey. *Eur Heart J* 203 Dec 13. [Epub ahead of print]. doi:10.1093/ eurheartj/ eht538.
- Gillebert TC, Brooks N, Fontes - Carvalho R, **Fras Z**, Gueret P, Lopez - Sendon J, Salvador MJ, vandenBrink RB, Smiseth OA, Gribenow R. ESC core curriculum for the general cardiologist (2013). *Eur Heart J* 2013; 34(30):2381--411.
- DeBacquer D, Dallongeville J, Kotseva K, Cooney MT, Pajak A, Deckers JW, Mayer O, Vanuzzo D, Lehto S, **Fras Z**, Östor E, Ambrosio GB, DeBacker G, Wood D, Keil U, Sans S, GrahamI, Pyörälä K. Residual risk of cardiovascular mortality in patients with coronary heart disease: the EUROASPIRE Risk Categories. *Int J Cardiol* 2013;168(2):910-4.

Vision statement

Within the following few paragraphs I would like in a bit more extended way to describe and argument my intention to campaign, to be elected, and to serve as the EACPR Secretary (elections 2016). Concerning the application for the position within the EACPR Board, I would like to present my vision within the “**3 x 3 matrix**”, which means that I do foresee the near future needs for the increase in activities and the visibility of the Association based on the **three core areas** (professional issues, multicentre and multilateral scientific/research coordination and translation, resource gaining), with **three main groups of activities** within each of them. Please find below to where I strongly feel we all should and I would like to put my efforts comprising of my professional expertise and experience further to serve for the purpose and the mission of the EACPR, and to argument my nomination:

I. PROFESSIONAL ISSUES:

I. 1. Competence Based Postgraduate Training (Education) – development of the harmonized European Preventive Cardiology subspecialty curriculum, and the assurance of the highest possible training/educational standards through the universal access to the Preventive Cardiology section of the ESCeL educational platform which is developing in collaboration with the ESC,

I. 2. Continuous Professional Development – organization of annual congresses, focused educational symposia, webinars,

I. 3. Excellence (Quality) Assurance in Preventive Cardiology Medical Practice – promotion and support a common, EACPR sponsored platform development, to support not only specialist accreditation, but to create and sustain the existence of personal portfolios, based on II., and supported by III. (see below);

II. MULTICENTRE and MULTILATERAL SCIENTIFIC/RESEARCH COORDINATION AND TRANSLATION:

II.1. Scientific Activities / Research (Basic and Translational) – promotion and help in advocating the continuous need for further enlargement of the scope and increase in research in all different areas of Preventive Cardiology,

II.2. Guidelines Development and Implementation – concerted actions in leadership and coordination of already well established activities, with special emphasis on the ways to achieve better implementation,

II.3. Total Quality Management/Improvement of research generically related to the mission of the EACPR – mainly by further promotion and sustainability of pan-European Observational Surveys / Registries;

III. RESOURCE GAINING

III.1. Human resources – by creation of the constructive and inclusive environment of the EACPR in order to attract young preventive cardiologists to join the Association, and to strive to assure the professionally autonomous, leading and truly valid, (mainly industry) independent professional role of the EACPR (and ESC) at the EU level,

III.2. Financial resources - by giving the chance of transparent and equal access to scientific and research funding from both the ESC itself, as well as by the EACPR (and ESC) support in gaining funds from different other sources, e.g. various international, mainly EU research grants (like the EU HORIZON framework, etc.);

III.3. Political – here I do not mean only to try to increase in getting **political support in its pure sense** (to strengthen the relations with the European Union bodies through the stronger representation of the EACPR within the ESC and its advocacy in Brussels – all in order to promote cardiovascular prevention research, competence based education/training and to raise quality standards of preventive cardiology care across Europe; but also **better relations with medico-political participles** - to collaborate and/or create an active alliance with professional medical organizations, both at the European as well as the national levels (of the ESC constituent national societies) – mainly to strengthen the joint role in the areas of appropriate national and international accreditation of EACPR core activities.

EACPR should continuously and increasingly promote the need of true and further reliable implementation of the paradigm of at least **equal importance of CVD prevention and the cure of the established disease** – emphasizing both in balance within the ESC core mission value - *“to reduce the burden of cardiovascular disease in Europe”*. In my view, the **three main pillars to success** in achieving these are the strengthening of the position and support of more active work and visibility of the **(1) EACPR constituent bodies** (working groups, sections), **(2) better promotion and (significant) enlargement of the Annual Congress** (to increase the number of participants as well as the supporters/sponsors), and **(3) further development and cultivation of excellence of the already very successful and known EACPR Journal**.

Among the primary and upmost important challenges for the EACPR (as well as the ESC as a whole) in the very near future are continuously to tackle with the too long existing, and in some particular – mainly high technology related - areas of cardiovascular medicine even widening, **large inequalities in clinical practice**, between the West / North and the Central-East / South of Europe. This is not only true with regards to the universal access to both the willingly supported and promoted high quality education and training of cardiologists, but also for the upmost needed various types of resources in order to support the independent research and innovation development all over Europe. As the Secretary of the EACPR Board I would like to participate in strengthening and improving these relations and use them in order to build essentially needed **stronger bridges between the North-Western and the Central-Eastern part of Europe**.

To conclude, I would truly like to share and use my personal professional experience and the chances given by the EACPR Board membership to have my beliefs and strategic considerations become true. Indeed, my prior and current activities within the field of the Preventive Cardiology covered by the EACPR, has always been inspired by its intended positive strategy to look ahead and proactively cure the consequences of both the reality political divisions (historically), as well as in present times the consequences which recent global economic crisis brought, not only to cardiology, but to the health care in general.

In case of my election, I will be honored to honestly do my best not only to preserve the current status, but to improve the functioning and all the credentials of the European Association of Cardiovascular Prevention and Rehabilitation,

Treasurer

Prof. Marco Guazzi – Treasurer Candidate

Country: Italy

Curriculum Vitae

Place of Birth Siena
Date of Birth 11th May 1965
Place of work: Professor of Cardiology
Chief University Cardiology Department
IRCCS San Donato University Hospital,
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EDUCATION AND DEGREES

- 1983 Bachelor of Classic Studies.
- 1989 Doctor of Medicine, University of Milano (Italy), graduated cum laude.
- 1993 Post-graduate Degree, Cardiology Fellowship, final graduation cum laude, University of Pavia (Italy).
- 1999 PhD in Cardiovascular Physiology, University of Milano, Italy.

TRAINING

- 1984-87 Intern, Institute of Anatomy, University of Milano, Italy
- 1987-89 Resident, Institute of Internal Medicine, University of Milano, Italy.
- 1990-92 Research Fellow of the Cardiovascular Research Center of the National Research Council.
- 1992 Visiting Fellow at the University of San Diego (CA), Seaweed Canyon Laboratory (Prof. John Ross Jr.)
- 1997-1998 Research Fellow at the Boston University School of Medicine (Prof. Wilson Colucci), Boston, MA, USA.
- 1998-1999 Research Fellow at New England Medical Center (Prof. Marvin Konstam), Tufts University School of Medicine, Boston, MA, USA.

LICENSE AND CERTIFICATIONS

- 1989 Unrestricted License to practice Medicine and Surgery in Italy and all other Countries of the European Community.

APPOINTMENTS

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| From December 1992 to February 2002 | Associate Consultant, "Monzino Foundation" I.R.C.C.S., Cardiology Center of the University of Milan, Co-Director Heart Failure Unit. |
| From 1999 to February 2002 | Professor on contract at the I School of Specialization in Cardiology of the University of Milano. |
| From February 2002 to March 2005 | Researcher at the University of Milano. DIRECTOR OF CARDIOPULMONARY LABORATORY, Cardiology Division, San Paolo Hospital. |
| From March 2005 to now | ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR OF CARDIOLOGY, University of Milan (title obtained in December 2002). |
| From December 2005 to December 2007 | Chair of the Working Group "EXERCISE PHYSIOLOGY, SPORT CARDIOLOGY AND CARDIOVASCULAR REHABILITATION" of the Italian Society of Cardiology. |
| From April 2007 to March 2012 | Director of the ARTERIAL HYPERTENSION AND HEART FAILURE UNIT, San Paolo Hospital, Milano, University Department. |

From April 2012 to now	Chair of the Nucleus "Exercise and Basic Translational Science" section of the EACPR of the European Society of Cardiology.
From March 2012 to now	Head of Heart Failure Unit, University Cardiology, IRCCS Policlinico San Donato Hospital, Head office of the University of Milan.
From October 2013 to now	Member of the Heart Failure Association, Group of Heart Failure with Preserved Ejection Fraction, European Society of Cardiology.
From January 2013 to now	Member of the Commission for Education and Lifelong Learning of the Italian Society of Cardiology
From September 2015 to now	Full Professor of Cardiology and Chair University Cardiology Department at University of Milano, IRCCS, San Donato Hospital, Milano.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Farmitalia Carlo Erba

1989-1991 20.000 Euros scholarship of two years obtained as recent graduate with honors.

National Research Council (C. N. R.)

1991-1993 20.000 Euros scholarship of two years for the research in prevention and control of cardiovascular risk factors.

Italian Society in Internal Medicine

1996 10.000 Euros scholarship of one year for the research in heart failure.

Italian Society of Arterial Hypertension

1997 40.000 Euros scholarship of two years for foreign countries for the research in the field of heart failure related to hypertension.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

1999- Fellow of the Italian Society of Cardiology.
2000- Fellow of the American College of Cardiology.
2000- Fellow of the Heart Failure Society of America
2001- Member of the Working Group on "MYOCARDIAL FUNCTION" of the European Society of Cardiology
2002- Member of the working Group on "HEART FAILURE " of the European society of Cardiology
2012- Fellow of the American Heart Association
2015- Fellow of the European Society of Cardiology

RESEARCH FUNDS

2003, 2004, 2005 Grant (25.000 Euro per year) from the "Luigi Berlusconi" foundation for the research in patients with heart failure
2004 50.000 euros donation from Ms. Piera Almini Radice in memory of Bruno Rinaldo Radice for the research in ischemic heart disease and heart failure.
2006 Grant (500.000 Euro) from the "Italo Monzino" foundation for the development of the research concerning the damage of pulmonary organ in patients with myocardial infarction.
2010 Grant (400.000 Euro) from the "Italo Monzino" foundation for the development of the research concerning pulmonary hypertension in diastolic heart failure.

UNIVERSITY FUNDS

Funds First 1997-1998, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007,2008, 2009, 2010

AWARDS AND HONORS

1995. Winner of the Young Reseracher Award assigned by the Italian Society of Cardiology with the research entitled: "ANTAGONISMO DI ACIDO ACETIL-SALICILICO VS ACE-INIBITORE NELL'INSUFFICIENZA CARDIACA CONGESTIZIA RILEVATO DA UNA DIMINUITA CAPACITÀ RESPIRATORIA E DI ESERCIZIO".
2003. The oral contribution presented at the Annual Congress of the American Heart Association entitled: "SILDENAFIL IMPROVES EXERCISE PEAK OXYGEN CONSUMPTION AND VENTILATION EFFICIENCY BY A SYNERGISTIC EFFECT ON ENDOTHELIAL FUNCTION AND ALVEOLAR GAS DIFFUSION IN HEART FAILURE PATIENTS", is select as innovative and new research with special remarks on the American Heart Association website, in the "Acute Heart Failure" section.
2003. The manuscript entitled "DIABETES WORSENS PULMONARY DIFFUSION IN HEART FAILURE, AND INSULIN COUNTERACTS THIS EFFECT" published in the American Journal of Respiratory and Critical Care Medicine is mentioned in the section Year in Review as one of the best papers of the year published in the Journal.
2004. The manuscript entitled "THE EFFECTS OF PDE5 INHIBITION WITH SILDENAFIL ON PULMONARY HEMODYNAMICS AND DIFFUSION CAPACITY, EXERCISE VENTILATORY EFFICIENCY AND OXYGEN UPTAKE KINETICS, IN CHRONIC HEART FAILURE", published in the Journal of the American College of Cardiology is mentioned in the section Year in Review as one of the best papers of the year published in the Journal.
2007. The manuscript entitled "LONG-TERM USE OF SILDENAFIL IN THE THERAPEUTIC MANAGEMENT OF HEART FAILURE", published in the Journal of the American College of Cardiology and the correlated slides are published in the American College of Cardiology web site (Cardiosource) as special topic of advancement in the therapeutic management of heart failure
2009. Winner of the Award "A.M. Valsalva" assigned by the Italian Society of Experimental Cardiology for the peculiar researches performed in the previous ten years.

SCIENTIFIC SOCIETIES MEMBERSHIPS

- Fellow of the European Society of Cardiology
- Fellow OF THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF CARDIOLOGY.
- Fellow OF THE AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION
- Fellow of the ITALIAN SOCIETY OF CARDIOLOGY.
- Member OF THE HEART FAILURE SOCIETY OF AMERICA.
- Member of the WORKING GROUP "MYOCARDIAL FUNCTION" of the European Society of Cardiology.
- Member of the WORKING GROUP "EXERCISE PHYSIOLOGY AND REHABILITATION" of the European Society of Cardiology.
- Member of the WORKING GROUP "HEART FAILURE " of the European Society of Cardiology.
- Coordinator of the GROUP OF STUDY "EXERCISE PHYSIOLOGY, SPORT CARDIOLOGY AND CARDIOVASCULAR REHABILITATION" of the Italian Society of Cardiology.

ASSISTANT ACTIVITY

From 1992 to February 2002 carried out his medical division uninterrupted activity as assistant at the *Cardiology Centre, IRCCS, head office of the Cardiology Institute of the University of Milan*. For the entire period the diagnostics activity has been carried out in the echocardiography diagnostics and cardiorespiratory physiopathology laboratories. In these laboratories he also conducted an intense research activity in myocardial functions in different physiological and physiopathological conditions and performed spirometric evaluations and the pulmonary gas exchange at rest and during exercise in patients with heart failure.

From March 2002 to April 2007 was chief of the *Cardiopulmonary Physiopathology Laboratory, in the Cardiology Division of San Paolo Hospital*. From May 2006 was director of the *Cardiopulmonary Unit afferent to the Cardiology Division of San Paolo Hospital, Milano*

From April 2007 to March 20002 was chair of the *Departmental Unit ARTERIAL HYPERTENSION AND HEART FAILURE* afferent to the Department of Medical Specialties, San Paolo Hospital, Milano

From March 2012 is *Associate Professor of Cardiology and Head Heart Failure Unit, Cardiopulmonary Laboratory, IRCCS, Policlinico San Donato Milanese*.

From September 2015 is *Full Professor of Cardiology, Chief of the Cardiology University Department at University of Milano, IRCCS, Policlinico San Donato Milanese, Milano.*

RESEARCH ACTIVITY

Started in the pre-graduation period, has been carried out without interruptions until now. This activity has been joined by a group of young researchers gathered in the last few years. The main subjects of the research are: the study of the cardiopulmonary response (pathophysiology and prognosis) of patients with heart failure; therapeutic approaches to exercise intolerance and functional limitation of cardiac patients; assessment of right ventricular function and the coupling with the pulmonary circulation with respiratory exchanges and functional properties of the alveolo-capillary unit; new therapies for HFpEF.

CURRENT SCIENTIFIC PARTNERSHIPS

- Prof Ross Arena, University of Illinois, Chicago, IL, USA
- Prof Jonhatan Myers, Stanford University, CA, USA
- Prof. R. Naeije, University Libre of Bruxelles, Belgium
- Prof Giuseppe Reina, Istituto di Statistica Medica e Biometria, Università degli Studi di Milano
- Prof Sanjiv Jshah, North Eastern University, USA
- Prof Mardi Gomberg-Maitland, University of Chicago Medicine, Chicago, IL, USA
- Prof Martin Halle, University of Munich, Germany

DIDACTIC WORK

- From 1992 to 2001 performed trainings, workshops, tutorial activity during the combined course cardiovascular disease at the Cardiology Institute in the University of Milan.
- From 1995 to February 2001 performed his readership (lessons and tutorial activity), I School of Specialization in Cardiology of the University of Milan.
- From February 2001 is fellow of the School Council and conducts the readership (lessons), II School of Specialization in Cardiology of the University of Milan.
- From 1996 to 2003 readership, CPX Test, practical and theoretical Course, Institute of Cardiology, University of Milan.
- February 2002 didactic and tutorial work (Clinical and Semiotics Course I) for graduating students in Medicine and Chemistry, University Campus of San Paolo hospital, University of Milan
- in October 2004, 2006 and 2007 readership and tutor at the European Practicum on the CPX stress test, organized every year by Prof. Karlman Wasserman, University of Los Angeles, Torrance, California.
- From May 2006 was part of the teaching staff and conducted the didactic work of the Graduation Course in Physiotherapy, University of Milan.
- From October 2006 was part of the faculty and conducted the didactic work of the Graduation Dietary Course, University of Milan.
- From January 2008 was part of the faculty of the Cardiovascular Specialization School, University of Milan.
- From December 2009 was part of the faculty of the Unique Cardiovascular Chemistry Specialization School, University of Milan.
- From March 2012 regular teacher of the Cardiovascular Clinics and Semeiotics I Course for students of the Graduation Course in Medicine and Chemistry, university campus at IRCCS Policlinico San Donato hospital.
- From March 2013 organizes the annual Course on Applications and Development of Cardiopulmonary Test and Stress Echocardiography in Cardiology, IRCCS Policlinico Dan Donato, San Donato Milanese, Italy.
- From November 2013 he is part of the Faculty and Teacher at the **Annual EACPR Cardiopulmonary Exercise Testing**, Veruno, Italy
- March 2016 he is the organizer of the **EACPR Hands on Course Performing Exercise Measures and Intervention Trials in Heart Failure**. IRCCS Policlinico San Donato, Milano. Italy.

EDITORIAL BOARD

- **EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF PREVENTIVE CARDIOLOGY**
- JOURNAL OF CARDIAC FAILURE
- CURRENT MEDICAL CHEMISTRY
- ISRN CARDIOLOGY (OPEN ACCESS JOURNAL)

REVIEWER ACTIVITY

Reviewer for the WELCOME TRUST INSTITUTE, London and for the AUSTRIAN NATIONAL RESEARCH SOCIETY.

Reviewer of the following SCIENTIFIC JOURNALS:

ACTA PHYSIOLOGICA SCANDINAVICA
AMERICAN HEART JOURNAL
AMERICAN JOURNAL OF CARDIOLOGY
AMERICAN JOURNAL OF HYPERTENSION
AMERICAN JOURNAL OF PHYSIOLOGY
CHEST
CIRCULATION
DIABETES CARE
EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF CARDIOVASCULAR PREVENTION AND REHABILITATION
EUROPEAN HEART JOURNAL
EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF HEART FAILURE
EUROPEAN JOURNAL OF RESPIRATION
HEART
HYPERTENSION
INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF CARDIOLOGY
JOURNAL OF APPLIED PHYSIOLOGY
JOURNAL OF CARDIAC FAILURE
JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN COLLEGE OF CARDIOLOGY
JOURNAL OF THE AMERICAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION
RESPIRATION

Abstract's reviewer for the Annual Meeting of:

- ITALIAN SOCIETY OF CARDIOLOGY
- EUROPEAN SOCIETY OF CARDIOLOGY
- HEART FAILURE ASSOCIATION (HFA) AS PART OF THE EUROPEAN SOCIETY OF CARDIOLOGY
- EUROPEAN ASSOCIATION OF EXERCISE AND TRANSLATIONAL SCIENCE (EACPR) AS PART OF THE
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- EUROPEAN SOCIETY OF CARDIOLOGY
- AMERICAN COLLEGE OF CARDIOLOGY

PUBLICATIONS

Author of 1 book, 10 book chapters and author or co-author of more than 721 publications (310 papers and 411 abstracts).

Total Impact Factor: **1.538,5**

Impact Factor as first Author= **830,4**

Sum of the time Cited= **8.345**

Sum of Times Cited without self-citations= **7.427**

Average citations per item= **14.28**

Contemporary Factor (H-index)= **44**

Summary of the Contributions to EACPR Activities

Chair Elect of the Nucleus ETBR (2012-2014)

Chair of the Nucleus ETBR (2014-2016)

Chair of the EACPR/AHA Joint Scientific Statement. Clinical recommendations for cardiopulmonary exercise testing data assessment in specific patient populations. Eur Heart J. 2012 Dec;33(23):2917-27.

Chair of the 2016 EACPR/AHA Joint Scientific Statement Update

Co-chair of the Lifestyle AHA/EACPR position Statement Healthy Lifestyle Interventions to Combat Noncommunicable Disease—A Novel Nonhierarchical Connectivity Model for Key Stakeholders: A

Policy Statement From the American Heart Association, European Society of Cardiology, European Association for Cardiovascular Prevention and Rehabilitation, and American College of Preventive Medicine.

Faculty member and speaker at the Annual EACPR Training Course on the Use of Cardiopulmonary Exercise Testing in Cardiology. IRCCS Fondazione S Maugeri, Veruno Rehabilitation, Italy

Organizer of the first EACPR HANDS ON COURSE. Performing Exercise Measures and Intervention Trials in Heart Failure. March 3-4, 2016. IRCCS Policlinico San Donato, Milano, Italy.

Contributor of several newsletters and online EACPR initiatives:

- *Alessandro Mezzani and Marco Guazzi, EACPR Exercise, Basic and Translational Research Section, answer key questions: How to use Cardiopulmonary Exercise Testing in Cardiovascular Prevention and Rehabilitation. 08 Aug 2012*

- *Exercise Basic & Translational Research CPX Case-Cardiopulmonary Exercise Testing - August 2014 Section Editor of the European Journal of Preventive Cardiology*

Summary of the Contributions to ESC Activities

- Member of the Committee of Committee on Heart Failure with Preserved Ejection Fraction
- Component of the Writing Group of the HFA on the Consensus Statement on Heart Failure Preserved Ejection Fraction- Chiar B. Pieske, MD. In preparation.
- Reviewer of the upcoming 2016 ESC Guidelines on Acute and Chronic Heart Failure

10 recent scientific publications, on scientific topics covered by the EACPR

1. Arena R, **Guazzi M**, Lianov L, Whitsel L, Bera K, Lavie CJ, Kaminsky L, Williams M, Hivert MF, Franklin NC, Myers J, Dengel D, Lloyd-Jones DM, Pinto FJ, Cosentino F, Halle M, Gielen S, Dendale P, Niebauer J, Pelliccia A, Giannuzzi P, Corra U, Piepoli M, Guthrie G, Shurney D. Healthy lifestyle interventions to combat noncommunicable disease – a novel nonhierarchical connectivity model for key stakeholders: a policy statement from the American Heart Association, European Association for Cardiovascular Prevention and Rehabilitation, and American College of Preventive Medicine.

Mayo Clinic Proceedings 2015 doi:10.1016/j.mayocp.2015.05.001 **I.F. = 6.262**

2. Arena R, **Guazzi M**, Lianov L, Whitsel L, Bera K, Lavie CJ, Kaminsky L, Williams M, Hivert MF, Franklin NC, Myers J, Dengel D, Lloyd-Jones DM, Pinto FJ, Cosentino F, Halle M, Gielen S, Dendale P, Niebauer J, Pelliccia A, Giannuzzi P, Corra U, Piepoli M, Guthrie G, Shurney D. Healthy lifestyle interventions to combat noncommunicable disease – a novel nonhierarchical connectivity model for key stakeholders: a policy statement from the American Heart Association, European Association for Cardiovascular Prevention and Rehabilitation, and American College of Preventive Medicine.

European Heart Journal 2015 doi: 10.1093/eurheartj/ehv207 **I.F. = 15.203**

3. **Guazzi M**, Arena R, Pellegrino M, Bandera F, Generati G, Labate V, Alfonzetti E, Villani S, Gaeta MM, Halle M, Haslbauer R, Phillips SA, Cahalin LP

Prevalence and characterization of exercise oscillatory ventilation in apparently healthy individuals at variable risk for cardiovascular disease: A subanalysis of the EURO-EX trial. Eur

European Journal of Preventive Cardiology. 2015 Apr 13. pii: 2047487315580445

I.F. = 3.319

4. **Guazzi M**, Labate V, Cathalin LP, Arena R.

Cardiopulmonary exercise testing reflects similar pathophysiology and disease severity in heart failure patients with reduced and preserved ejection fraction.

European Journal of Preventive Cardiology 2014 Jul;21(7):847-54.

I.F. = 3.319

5. Cahalin LP, Arena R, Labate V, Bandera F, **Guazzi M**

Predictors of abnormal heart rate recovery in patients with heart failure reduced and preserved ejection fraction

European Journal of Preventive Cardiology 2014 Jul;21(7):906-14

I.F. = 2.675

6. **Guazzi M.**

Reproducibility of cardiopulmonary exercise test variables: getting into an additional strength of the test.

European Journal Preventive Cardiology 2014 21:442-444 **I.F.= 2.675**

7. Guazzi M.

Pulmonary hypertension in heart failure preserved ejection fraction. Prevalence, pathophysiology and clinical perspectives,

Circulation Heart Failure 2014 1;7:367-377 **I.F.= 5.945**

8. Guazzi M, Cahalin LP, Arena R.

Cardiopulmonary exercise testing as a diagnostic tool for the detection of left-sided pulmonary hypertension in heart failure.

Journal of Cardiac Failure 2013;19:461-467 **I.F.= 3.051**

9. Guazzi M, Adams V, Conraads V, Halle M, Mezzani A, Vanhees L, Arena R, Fletcher GF, Forman DE, Kitzman DW, Lavie CJ, Myers J. Clinical Recommendations for Cardiopulmonary Exercise Testing Data Assessment in Specific Patient Populations.

Circulation 2012 30; 126:2261-2274 **I.F. = 14.430**

10. Guazzi M, Adams V, Conraads V, Halle M, Mezzani A, Vanhees L; AHA:, Arena R, Fletcher GF, Forman DE, Kitzman DW, Lavie CJ, Myers J. Clinical recommendations for cardiopulmonary exercise testing data assessment in specific patient populations.

European Heart Journal 2012; 33:2917-2927 **I.F. = 15.203**

Vision statement for the elections for treasurer of EACPR

Since my initial participation in the activities of the ETBR Nucleus there were two concepts clear in my mind that drove my intents: productivity and parsimony. I can humbly presume that some pertinent results have been, at least in part, achieved.

Indeed, initiatives on the scientific production led to the drawing up of three Consensus Statements documents on Clinical Use and Applications of Cardiopulmonary Exercise Testing (Guazzi et al Eur Heart J 2012;33:2917-27, Guazzi et al Eur Heart J 2016 update, in press) and the Lifestyle Stakeholder document (Arena et al Eur Heart J 2015; Eur Heart J. 2015 Aug 14;36(31):2097-2109. Epub 2015 Jul 1). All these documents were performed in collaboration with the American Heart Association. In preparation there is a EATBR nucleus Consensus document entitled: "How to prescribe / optimize exercise training for cardiovascular rehabilitation in patients with type 2 diabetes mellites" which is going to be finalized for the upcoming EACPR Congress 2016.

In the position of Chair of the EATBR, I was also able to get approved and start with a large-scale European collaborative study, the "Prediction of CV Risk by Cardiopulmonary Testing: the EURO(pean) EX(ercise) Population-Based Study", that, up to now, has led to a full publication in the Journal of the Association (Guazzi et al Eur J Prev Cardiol. 2015 Apr 13. pii: 2047487315580445) and several abstract presentations at the EACPR, ESC, ACC and AHA Annual Meetings.

Parsimony is certainly a must, especially in medical science, in a period of economic crisis and recession. Chairing the ETBR nucleus we had frequently to face with the extremely limited economic resources and the EURO-EX trial was planned and initiated thanks to a direct agreement among investigators to cover the study costs and to avoid any additional expenses for the Association.

It goes without saying that in case I should be nominated to cover the Treasurer position of the Association, these background concepts should continue to drive my activities with the opportunity to, hopefully, develop more strategies for providing incomes and improving the budget. Especially, I would continue to put energies into broadening the initiatives made to recall more participations at the Annual meeting and reinforcing the process of recruiting new members and associates.

Of course, nothing would be happening without your consensus and benevolence. Thank you very much for your time and consideration

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Curriculum Vitae

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4. Main university degree(s)

Name of university/institute: Free University	Degree awarded: Doctor
City & country: Berlin, Germany	Year of graduation: 1984
Name of university/institute: Free University	Degree awarded: Habilitation
City & country: Berlin, Germany	Year of graduation: 1993
Name of university/institute: Free University	Degree awarded: Professor
City & country: Berlin, Germany	Year of graduation: 2001

5. Postgraduate education/specialisation/training

Name of university/institute: Free University	Degree awarded: Medical license
City & country: Berlin, Germany	Year of graduation: 12/1983
Name of university/institute: Free University	Degree awarded: Internal medicine

City & country: Berlin, Germany	Year of graduation: 4/1991
Name of university/institute: Free University	Degree awarded: Cardiology
City & country: Berlin, Germany	Year of graduation: 9/1993

6. Previous appointments

Position: Associate professor	Dates: 1987 - 1995
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Position:	Dates:
Institution/organisation:	City & country:
Position:	Dates:
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7. Experience of clinical research:

Secondary prevention of coronary heart disease, heart failure, antithrombotic management, rehabilitation outcome

Publication List

1. Rauch B, Davos CH, Doherty P, Saure D, Metzendorf M, Salzwedel A, Völler H, Jensen K, Schmid JP. *The prognostic effect of cardiac rehabilitation in the era of acute revascularization and statin therapy*. JAMA (submitted).
2. Reibis R, Salzwedel A, Buhler H, Wegscheider K, Eichler S, Völler H. *Impact of training methods and patient characteristics on exercise capacity in patients in cardiovascular rehabilitation*. Eur J Prev Cardiol. 2016 Mar;23:452-9.
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5. Hofmann R, Völler H, Nagels L, Bindl D, Vettorazzi E, Dittmar R, Wohlgemuth W, Neumann T, Störk S, Bruder O, Wegscheider K, Nagel E, Fleck E and on behalf of the CardioBBEAT Investigators. *First outline and baseline data of a randomized, controlled multicenter trial to evaluate the health economic impact of home telemonitoring in chronic heart failure – CardioBBEAT*. Trials. 2015;16:343.
6. Noack F, Schmidt B, Amoury M, Stoevesandt D, Gielen S, Pflaumbaum B, Girschick C, Völler H, Schlitt A. *Feasibility and safety of rehabilitation after venous thromboembolism*. Vasc Health Risk Manag. 2015;11:397-401.
7. Skobel E, Kamke W, Bönner G, Alt B, Purucker HC, Schwaab B, Einwang HP, Schröder K, Langheim E, Völler H, Brandenburg A, Graml A, Woehle H, Krüger S. *Risk factors for, and prevalence of, sleep apnoea in cardiac rehabilitation facilities in Germany: The Reha-Sleep registry*. Eur J Prev Cardiol. 2015;22:820-30.

8. Schlitt A, Kamke W, Guha M, Haberecht O, Völler H. *[Cardiac rehabilitation in patients with atrial fibrillation]*. Dtsch Med Wochenschr. 2015;140:1006-12. German.

9. Salzwedel A, Wegscheider K, Herich L, Rieck A, Strandt G, Völler H. *Impact of clinical and sociodemographic patient characteristics on the outcome of cardiac rehabilitation in older patients*. Aging Clin Exp Res. 2015;27:315-21.

10. Völler H, Salzwedel A, Nitardy A, Buhlert H, Treszl A, Wegscheider K. *Effect of cardiac rehabilitation on functional and emotional status in patients after transcatheter aortic-valve implantation*. Eur J Prev Cardiol. 2015;22:568-74.

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Herewith I apply for a candidacy as a treasure of the EACPR.

Since 1995 I am the head of a rehabilitation clinic with 234 beds at the edge of Berlin, Germany. Additionally I am the head of the department for rehabilitation research at the University of Potsdam.

I am a professor for cardiology and rehabilitation science since 2001.

Since around 10 years I am a member of the EACPR, since 2012 at the nucleus of the working group of cardiac rehabilitation. In the last 2 years I am a part of the scientific program committee.

In the last 3 years approximately 30 peer reviewed manuscripts were published, partly as a result of the working group. Actually we submitted a paper about the meta-analysis of the effectiveness of cardiac rehabilitation (The rehabilitation outcome study - CROS). A paper about frailty is also finalized.

Since many years I am a member of the editorial board of the "European Journal of Preventive Cardiology".

Between 2000 and 2009 I was the responsible organizer of the Annual Congress of the German Society of Rehabilitation in Germany. The special task was the negotiations with sponsors and industrial partners with a yearly amount of money between 200,000 and 300,000 €.

I am a member of the project group "Prevention of the German Society of Cardiology" and the head of the working group "Prevention and Psycho Cardiology".