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Changes in the constitution to be voted upon today

- Change in name of section "Basic Science" by "Basic & Translational Research"
- Change in Board Committees
 - Science and Guidelines Committees merging into "Science & Guidelines"
 - Website committee becoming Communications Committee
 - Creation of Prevention Implementation Committee
 - Creation of Finance Committee
- Proposal for revised Sections Elections process & Chapter 12: election of the sections chair elect and secretary positions has to be adapted according the new proposition
- Proposal for new Nominating Committee and new election process for Executive Officers

Chapter 4 – Membership

- *In addition:* “Each candidate member should indicate in which section he/she has a particular interest in. A maximum of 3 sections can be indicated”
- *Deleted:* “Only members of the EACPR have the right to vote **at EACPR meetings**”

Chapter 6 – Association Structure

- *In addition:* name change from “Basic Science” to “**Basic & Translational Research**”
- “**In attendance**” changed to “**Board: Chairs of the Committees**”
- New Committees name:
 - Editors, European Journal of Cardiovascular Prevention and Rehabilitation
 - Chairs, **Science & Guidelines** Committee
 - Chairs, Education and Accreditation Committee
 - Chairs, **Communications** Committee
 - Chairs, **Prevention Implementation** Committee (new)
 - Chairs, **EuroPREvent Organizing Committee** (present and future)
- “**European Heart House** staff member” changed to “**ESC** staff member”

Chapter 6 – Association Structure

- Executive Committee: “European Heart House staff member” changed to “ESC staff member”
- Sections paragraph changed to: “The ambition of the sections is to provide a broad platform for all scientific areas of the Association. A Section Nucleus conducts the administration of each section and will be composed of a Chair, a Chair Elect, a Secretary and 7-10 nucleus members”

Chapter 6 – Association Structure

- Committees paragraph changed to: “The following committees will be in office: **Science & Guidelines Committee**, Education and Accreditation Committee, **Communications Committee**, **Prevention Implementation Committee**, **Finance Committee** and **Congress Programme Committee**”

Chapter 7 – Roles & Responsibilities of Executive Committee

- Secretary

In addition: “Responsible for corporate communications and communication with the sections, Chair Communications committee”

- Treasurer

In addition: “Chair Finance Committee”

Chapter 8 – Roles & Responsibilities of sections, committees, task forces and EHH support

- *In addition:* name change from “Basic Science” to “**Basic & Translational Research**”
- *In addition:* “**Committees**”
- Deleted “**Guidelines Committee**” and changed to “**Science & Guidelines Committee**”
- Deleted “**Website Committee**” and changed to “**Communications Committee**”

Chapter 8 – Roles & Responsibilities of sections, committees, task forces and EHH support

- *In addition:* "Prevention Implementation Committee - Implements the ESC European Guidelines on CVD Prevention through the National Coordinators for CVD Prevention, Demonstrates that prevention and rehabilitation are both clinically and cost effective in diverse health economies, Provides comparative evidence between European countries to influence national policy on CVD prevention, Evaluates preventive cardiology practice through national audits, Liaison with ESC Prevention Department"

Chapter 8 – Roles & Responsibilities of sections, committees, task forces and EHH support

- *In addition:* "Finance Committee - Manages and optimises the financial assets of the Association, defines business policies, prepares appeals for funding, Liaison with Finance Department of the ESC"
- *In addition:* "Congress Program Committee - Operates as Scientific Committee for EuroPrevent, Drives the scientific and business policies of the EACPR annual congress (EuroPrevent), Liaison with Congress Division of the ESC"
- *In addition:* "EJCPR Editorial Board Committee Oversees the scientific and business policies of the European Journal of Cardiovascular Prevention and Rehabilitation (EJCPR) Liaison with Publications Department of the ESC"
- Administrative Coordinator: "European Heart house Staff Member" changed to "ESC staff member"

Chapter 12 - Elections

- Elections for the Executive Committee

Deleted: "When the new EC is appointed, they preside over procedures to elect the Section Chair elect and Secretary positions. To ensure the election of these positions, the EC develop a manageable list of candidates for election in the 4-6 week period after EuroPrevent. They create a shortlist from candidates to propose to the membership for election by end of June. No more than three candidates are proposed for each position by the EC. Selection is made from personal expressions of interest (following an announcement by email to all members), recommendations of others, expertise to contribute to the Association and respect for the philosophy of an all-Europe Association. The names agreed by the EC are communicated to the whole membership for e-voting. Members have a month to vote. Votes are counted in early August in order to enable a first meeting of the new Board members at the ESC general congress. The results of the elections are communicated to the membership by email"

Chapter 12 - Elections

- Elections for the Executive Committee

In addition: ... "The elections are prepared and supervised by a nominating committee, assisted by the Secretary of the association. The nominating committee, consisting in 2 senior members of the association, nominated by the board, and the past chairs of each section, has the aim to define the best candidates for these three positions, reflecting the broad interests of the association. No more than three candidates are proposed for each position"

Chapter 12 - Elections

- Elections for section nucleus membership and for the positions of Section Chair elect and Section Secretary (1)

In addition: ... "The candidates for the section Nucleus will be proposed by the current Chair, the Chair Elect and the Secretary from among those indicating an interest in Nucleus positions. Members from other specialties and members from outside Europe may apply for nucleus membership"

Chapter 12 - Elections

- Elections for section nucleus membership and for the positions of Section Chair elect and Section Secretary (2)

In addition: ... “Selection is made from personal expressions of interest, recommendations of others, expertise to contribute to the Association and respect for the philosophy of a Pan-European Association. Each Association member with a particular interest in a section will have the opportunity to vote electronically for nucleus membership”

Chapter 12 - Elections

- Elections for section nucleus membership and for the positions of Section Chair elect and Section Secretary (3)

In addition: "The incoming Chair Elect and Secretary positions will be elected by the incoming Nucleus at its first meeting. The Chair Elect will automatically become the next Chair. The duration of these positions is 2 years. One re-election for the position of Secretary is possible. The mandate duration of Nucleus member is maximally 6 years, with 1/3 replacement of the section Nucleus every 2 years. The Past-Chairs of the Sections will remain in the Nucleus for 2 extra years as an ex-officio position."