

EHRA Women in EP Committee

1. Name of the committee: Women in Electrophysiology

Committee members:

Andrea Sarkozy (Belgium), Chair
Cecilia Linde (Sweden), member
Maria-Cecilia Gonzalez (Belgium), member
Sabine Ernst (UK), member
Isabel Deisenhofer (Germany), member
Rachel Ter Bekke (NL), member

2. Mission

To emphasize the unique aspects of female gender in patients with cardiac arrhythmias and in health care professionals working in electrophysiology

3. Objectives:

- To increase the awareness of female specific aspects of cardiac arrhythmias (including diagnosis and management)
- To initiate and support research in female patients including RCT with sufficient statistical power to allow valid conclusions
- To develop tools for guidance and sharing experience for female physicians in career choices, family planning, pregnancy (evidence based recommendations for radiation exposure) and combining work with family
- To emphasize/strengthen the attractiveness of the specialization of electrophysiology to female trainees
- To support women-specific scientific activities and strengthen gender-equality in EHRA publications
- To organize specific EHRA "Women in EP" sessions at the upcoming conferences
- To collaborate with professional and patient organizations with similar objectives both in and outside the EHRA countries and to stimulate "Women in EP" initiatives in the local Heart Rhythm societies of the EU countries

Chairman´s job description (anticipated time: 2 hours/week)

- Establish annual objectives, work plans and timelines of committee activities
- Schedule meetings and develop meeting agendas
- Increase awareness of the presence of the committee and represent the interest of female physician and patients on all forums
- Suggest and prepare new initiatives to discuss in the committee meetings
- Delegate tasks to members and encourage their quality participation

To improve the quality of life of the European population by reducing the impact of cardiac arrhythmias and reduce sudden cardiac death.

- Take initiatives to contact similar organizations
- Report activities and recommendations to the appropriate entity or entities
- Respond to email notifications and solicitations in a timely manner

Committee Member job description (anticipated time: 2 hours/week).

- Work collaboratively with the Chairman and other members to achieve the committee's objectives
- Participate actively and constructively in all committee meetings
- Respond to email notifications and solicitations in a timely manner
- Suggest and prepare new initiatives to discuss in the committee meetings
- Volunteer for special assignments or tasks when able
- Participate in discussions, meetings/calls and/or voting as appropriate
- Increase awareness of the presence of the committee and represent the interest of female physician and patients on all forums