

To: Presidents and National Representatives of EFLM National Society Members

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Call for nominations for the EFLM Working Group on Postanalytical Phase

Dear President and National Representative,

Clinical knowledge and skills combined with laboratory expertise are needed for optimal interpretation of laboratory results in the setting of the individual patient. Increasing number of studies emphasise the need for improving the clinical utilisation of laboratory tests and that laboratory professionals should play a more prominent in this optimization process. A spectrum of activities have been identified that assist clinicians in translating a certain laboratory result to diagnostic information but all too little is known about how these activities are practiced in laboratories. The WG-POST, chaired by Prof. Eva Ajzner (Hungary), intends to support laboratories in taking a more active role in supporting a better clinical utilisation of laboratory tests. The WG-POST is a joint working group of EFLM and the European Organisation for External Quality Assurance Providers in Laboratory Medicine (EQALM).

Due to an internal reorganization of the WG, some vacancies arise starting from January 2015 and we are calling nominations for:

1 Full Member

Committee Chair.

1 Young Scientist Member (<35 years old at the time of the nomination)

The term of office will be for two years, from January 2015 to December 2016. The position could be renewable for other two more terms upon advice of the

The work is mostly conducted by e-mail and teleconferencing, and meet once per year.

In attachment the WG Terms of Reference.

All National Societies are requested to encourage their members to apply for this position. Applicants who are not selected as full members may be eligible for corresponding membership.

Criteria for eligibility and procedure for applications

WG members should be able to devote 2-4 hours of work/week for the WG, should have a freedom of visiting at least one WG meeting each year.

An experience in conducting research and scientific writing in any field of laboratory medicine is an advantage for those applying for the Full Member position.

Nominations should be submitted using the attached application form. Applicants are expected to detail in the form the vision on how they could contribute to the work of the WG. Together with the application, a short CV should also be submitted underlining the qualifications and prior experience and publications in the relevant area. Candidates have to be officially recommended by their National Society and a formal letter of support must accompany the application.

Please send the signed and scanned application electronically to the EFLM Office: Silvia Cattaneo - e-mail: silvia.cattaneo@efcclm.eu

Deadline for applications: February 28, 2015.

We look forward to hearing from you. With kindest regards,

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Chair of the EFLM Science Committee

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