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To National Representatives of IFCC National Society Members

Dear National Representative,

This is to inform you that the IFCC Executive Board in its last meeting decided to extend by one year the term of office of the Congresses and Conferences Committee's Chair, Prof. Tomris Ozben, for her active involvement in the delivery of the IFCC WorldLab 2014 Congress in Istanbul, her home country.

However, next year there will be a vacancy in this Committee as Prof. James Wesenberg will finish his second term.

The purpose of this letter is to invite applications from suitably qualified individuals to become a member of C-CC for a three-year period commencing **January 2014**. Applications are invited from any Full Member country of IFCC. Individuals who have experience organizing national, regional and/or international congresses in clinical chemistry and laboratory medicine may be particularly interested in this position.

Applications must be submitted with a short CV of the nominated individual and a letter of support from the nominating Full Member Society. Applications should concentrate on the suitability for this appointment and must be sent via e-mail to silvia.cattaneo@ifcc.org no later than <u>October 31st, 2013.</u>

The C-CC normally meets once a year, often during a Regional or National congress. IFCC covers the travel expenses of full members attending the C-CC meeting each year. The C-CC has responsibility for a range of activities related to congresses, conferences and scientific meetings. These responsibilities include:

- Oversight of the triennial International Congress of Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine;
- Oversight of the four Regional Congresses of Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine;
- Oversight of the triennial IFCC General Conference
- Membership of the organising committee of some of the IFCC Specialised Conferences;
- Provision of advice on how to organise a conference;
- Granting of IFCC auspices for conferences in the field of laboratory medicine.

Further information about C-CC is available on the IFCC web site www.ifcc.org

Members of the C-CC all contribute to the work of the Committee. They are each allocated one or more specific events or areas of activity where they are expected to take the lead role. A member of the C-CC is kept busy, but the work is interesting and can provide excellent opportunities for making new international friends and contacts.

Sincerely yours,

Graham Beastall IFCC President

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Tomris Ozben C-CC Chair