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EUROPEAN FEDERATION OF CLINICAL CHEMISTRY
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To: Presidents and National Representatives of EFLM National Society Members

**Call for nominations for the Committee
“Direct-to-Consumer Laboratory Testing and Patient Empowerment”**

Dear President and National Representative,

By this letter, the EFLM asks for your support in the call for the nominations **to cover some vacancies in the Committee “Direct-to-Consumer Laboratory Testing and Patient Empowerment” (C-DTCT-PE)** located under the EFLM Division “Science: Value-based Laboratory Medicine”.

At the end of 2025, there will be some vacancies, as some officers will complete their third and final term of office in the group.

We are now calling for nominations for:

- **1 Full Member**
- **1 Young Scientist Member** (to be less than 40y of age as of 1st January 2026*)

The first term of office will start on 1st January 2026 and will end on 31 December 2027 with the potential extensions for two more terms (of two years' duration each) beyond 2027 (*please note that renewal of Young Scientist position is possible only if within the age limit definition).

The work of the Committee is mainly conducted by e-mail and teleconferencing. Additionally, the Committee usually meets once or two times per year.

Below are the Terms of Reference of the C-DTCT-PE:

- Education of laboratory specialists, law makers, and notified bodies how patients' safety is guaranteed in IVD testing
- Aid IVD vendors, testing services, and patients/consumers with the “intended use” of certain IVD testing services
- Developing standards to be met when DTCT data has to be used for healthcare
- Recommendations for or against the use of certain IVD tests as DTCT
- Explore and promote the engagement of patients and professionals in enabling patients to receive individualised support in understanding what their results mean for them
- Develop surveys and projects that support the above

Requirements of the nominated individual

Being motivated to transform medical guidelines and best practices into electronic materials to support patients and consumers

Having some knowledge of the organization of patient education and low-level IVD testing (DAT/POCT/self-testing) in her/his own country

Having some practical experience in examining the clinical efficacy of IVD tests

The criteria used to evaluate the received nominations are:

Criteria		Score
Lecture at national meeting or e-seminar in the past 5 years (PhD public defence included).	1-3	1
	>3	2
Lecture at international meeting or e-seminar in the past 5 years.	1-3	1
	>3	2
Published manuscript in scientific journal with international peer reviewing in the past 5 years.	1-5	1
	>5	2
Other publications (i.e. book chapters, e-books) in the past 5 years - poster abstracts not included.	1-3	0.5
	>3	1
Scientific projects – PhD/postdoc research and scientific Societies' functional units' positions included.	1-3	1
	>3	2
Participation in the creation of a(n) (inter)national guidance or standard on the topics of the particular EFLM functional unit	1-2	1
	>2	2
Positively evaluated previous activity in EFLM functional units		1
Evaluation of applicant's proposed contribution to the work of the Committee		1-5
How relevant is previous work/experience of the applicant to this Committee? (Note: based on the CV/publications listed by the applicant)		1-5
TOTAL (max. 22) - To be evaluated, a nomination must meet at least 4 out of the 9 indicated requirements and the minimum necessary score to be considered for selection is 8.5 points.		

Procedure for applications

Each National Society FULL Member in good standing with the membership fee can submit one nomination per each indicated position through the attached nomination form. A brief plan of the applicant's contribution to the aims and objectives of the functional unit must be indicated in the form. Together with the form, a short CV should also be submitted underlining the qualifications and prior experience in the relevant area. Candidates must be officially nominated by their National Society through a formal letter of support. As per the EFLM Transparency Policy, all received nominations and reasons for the successful one will be made available to all those National Societies who submitted a nomination specifying also the criteria used during the evaluation process.

EFLM Affiliate Members may only nominate Corresponding Members, while Corporate Members are entitled to nominate Experts/Consultants. Interested parties are invited to contact the EFLM Office for further information.

Nominations must be electronically submitted to the EFLM Office (eflm@eflm.eu) within the deadline of **30 October 2025**.

With kindest regards,

Michel Langlois

Chair, EFLM Division "Science: Value-based Laboratory Medicine"

cc: Dr Matthias Orth, Chair EFLM C-DTCT-PE
Prof. Snezana Jovicic, EFLM Executive Board Secretary