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Dear colleagues,

It is a pleasure to update you about the forthcoming 33<sup>rd</sup> European Conference on Philosophy of Medicine and Health Care, scheduled to take place in Oslo, Norway, August 7 – 10, 2019. Please find an updated draft version of the programme on the Society's homepage (see [www.espmh.org](http://www.espmh.org)). This programme lists all the abstracts that have been accepted for presentation.

**I would like to remind speakers who have not yet registered, to do so asap (a registration form is attached to this letter). Persons who have not registered by June 15<sup>th</sup> will have their names removed from the final programme.**

With this, we hope to avoid major gaps in the actual conference sessions.

#### **ESPMH General Assembly**

On behalf of the ESPMH Board, I would also like to invite you to attend the General Assembly of our Society, which will take place in Oslo on Friday 9 August 2019 (17.00-18.00 hrs). Please find a (draft-) agenda in the attachment.

#### **ESPMH Election**

In an earlier letter (from 5 December 2018) we invited you to nominate candidates for four positions in the Board of the ESPMH. The Oslo conference will be the last conference with Christoph Rehmann-Sutter as President of the ESPMH. According to the by-laws, Péter Kakuk (now president-elect) will follow up Christoph Rehmann-Sutter as president of the ESPMH. Hence, we will have to elect a new President-Elect in Oslo. Furthermore, the three-year term of office of three board members (Ana Boroveckí, Ignaas Devisch, and Frida Simonstein) will end on December 31 of this year, which means that these three positions will also be open for election in Oslo.

Subsequent to the invitation to propose candidates for these four positions, we have received one nomination for the position of President-Elect: Ana Boroveckí. In addition, we have received one nomination for the position of regular board member: Luciana Caenazzo. Finally, Ignaas Devisch, Frida Simonstein and Christoph Rehmann-Sutter have indicated that they are willing to serve another term as regular board member.

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Thus, the Board's election proposal is as follows:

**President-Elect of the ESPMH:** Ana Borovecki

According to the by-laws concerning the election procedure, a candidate can be elected without ballots if there is only one candidate for a position and the General Assembly unanimously agrees.

For the three positions of Regular Board member there will be three ballots with the names of all four candidates on each of these.

**Regular member 1:**

Luciana Caenazzo, Ignaas Devisch, Christoph Rehmann-Sutter & Frida Simonstein.

**Regular member 2:**

Luciana Caenazzo, Ignaas Devisch, Christoph Rehmann-Sutter & Frida Simonstein.

**Regular member 3:**

Luciana Caenazzo, Ignaas Devisch, Christoph Rehmann-Sutter & Frida Simonstein.

If the winner of the election for position 1 also receives most votes in the election for the post of position 2, this position will then go to the candidate with the second most votes. If one of the winners (or both winners) of the elections for the first two positions has most votes for position 3, this position will go to the person with the second (or third most) votes.

ESPMH members attending the General Assembly in Oslo can vote in person. Members who are unable to attend the meeting but still care to vote, should contact the ESPMH Secretariat by email to request postal ballots a.s.a.p. These ballots should be returned to the Secretariat **by June 15** or alternatively handed in (via an attending colleague) to the Secretary at the Oslo conference before the start of the General Assembly.

Bio-sketches of the candidates are attached to this letter and uploaded on the society's homepage at <https://www.espmh.org/our-board/>.

On behalf of the Board,



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Attached:

Registration form  
(Draft-) agenda General Assembly  
Bio-sketches

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