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Dear colleagues,

It is a pleasure to update you on the forthcoming 35<sup>th</sup> European Conference on Philosophy of Medicine and Health Care, scheduled to take place in Riga, Latvia, August 23 – 26, 2023. Please find an updated draft version of the programme on the Society's homepage (see <u>www.espmh.org</u>). This programme lists all the abstracts that have been accepted for presentation.

### **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 Riga on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2023 (17.00-18.00 hrs). Please find a (draft-) agenda in the attachment.

### **ESPMH Election**

In an earlier letter (from 12 January 2023) we invited you to nominate candidates for two positions in the Board of the ESPMH. The three-year term of office of secretary of the ESPMH (Bert Gordijn) as well as the three-year term of office of one board member (Fuat Oduncu) will both end on December 31<sup>st</sup> of this year, which means that these two positions will also be open for election in Riga.

In reaction to the invitation to propose candidates for these two positions, we have received no nomination for the position of secretary. Bert Gordijn has however indicated that he is willing to serve another term as secretary of the society. For the position of regular board member, we have received two nominations: Johanna Ahola-Launonen and Cristina Richie. Moreover, Fuat Oduncu has indicated that he is willing to serve another term as regular board member.

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

### Secretary: Bert Gordijn

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.

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For the position of Regular Board member there will be one ballot with the names of all three candidates.

Regular member of the board: Johanna Ahola-Launonen, Fuat Oduncu, Cristina Richie

Bio-sketches of the candidates are attached to this letter.

On behalf of the Board,

Bert Gordijn Secretary of the ESPMH