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Prof Christiane de Boeck

President European CF Society

Sent via e-mail

Dear Kris and colleagues

I would very much like to be considered for a role on the ECFS Board. I am a longstanding supporter of our Society, firmly believing it has played a pivotal role in the enormous achievements of the last 20 years. Never has there been a more exciting time to work in CF, but never have there been greater challenges to ensure that the potential of new advances are completely fulfilled, and that these are achieved universally rather than in pockets of society.

I have been involved in the ECFS in several capacities over the last few years: an active member of the CTN, the Diagnostic Network Working Group and Standardisation groups; establishing and running the LCI Core Facility; leading the Task Force considering strategic ways to improve access to new treatments; reviewing regularly for JCF; attending the conference annually and encouraging participation by my MDT and postgraduate students. I wish to become more involved in the running of the Society and in its future growth and strategic development.

In considering attributes which make me suitable for this role, I am a clear thinker and a respectful communicator who is not afraid of speaking out; I participate fully and energetically in all endeavours I take on; I am well-organised and well-connected both within the Society and outside. I have built close relationships with colleagues from different backgrounds, undertaking advisory roles with companies developing new treatments for CF, intentionally keeping such involvement broad. Whilst passionate about clinical medicine, I lead an active microbiology research group and work extensively with basic scientists. I recognise the achievements that are enabled by collaborative working towards a common goal across different disciplines.

I would appreciate this opportunity of making a greater contribution to the ECFS and hope that with the support of voting peers and colleagues, my application will be successful. I attach my CV and a photo.

Yours sincerely,

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