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Subject: Application for the Re-election of the ESPA

I am very pleased to submit my application for re-election as an Executive Board Member of the European Society for Paediatric Anaesthesiology (ESPA).

My main clinical and research interests have always been focused on safe performance of anaesthesia practices in children in – and outside the operating room. I am the principal investigator of many national and international research projects, authored several peer-reviewed articles and serve as reviewer/editorial for many anaesthesiology, pharmacology and paediatric journals.

I serve as the president of the Belgian Association for Paediatric Anaesthesiology (BAPA), as an executive board member and scientific committee of the Belgian Society for Resuscitation and Perioperative Pain (BeSARPP), organize educational platforms as webinars, workshops, national congresses and meetings with international speakers, co-organize webinars together with the neighbouring countries such as the Netherlands.

On behalf of the ESPA, I also have had the immense privilege to collaborate with the European National Representatives and to co-chair its meetings at the ACORN meetings at the ESPA annual congresses, to initiate an international collaboration from 5 continents to create the 'one and only' Locoregional Educational Platform of InPlane Initiative in Paediatrics. In addition, I'm actively involved in providing educational material for the e-Learning platform of the ESAIC for general and paediatric anaesthesiologists.

The diversity of these academic, educational, and personal involvements has made it possible to contribute to promoting ESPA's advocacy and visibility, to education and training, and above all, to encouraging interdisciplinary collaboration and strengthening communication between members and colleagues.

I'm dedicated and eager to add further to these commitments and I would feel very honoured to continue serving ESPA.

Large appreciation for your kind consideration and support

Sincerely yours

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