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## FINAL LIST OF CANDIDATES FOR THE ESRS BOARD AND ESRS SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

This is the final list in the course of the upcoming Business Meeting in Glasgow, new members for the Board and Scientific Committee will need to be elected.

### Nominations to the ESRS Board

According to the bylaws, members of the ESRS Board are elected for a period of two years, and only one additional two-year renewal is possible. Two of the five current ESRS Board members (that is Vice-President and Assistant Secretary) were elected in 2006, whereas the president, the treasurer and the secretary were elected in 2004.

All ESRS members have been invited to nominate candidates according to the rules established by the bylaws. **The period of acceptance of nominations is now closed.**

The following nominations have been received by this secretary:

#### 1. President

- a) **Claudio Bassetti** (Zürich, Switzerland) has accepted to be candidate for president.  
**Previous activities in the ESRS:** Treasurer of the ESRS Board, 2004 – 2008;  
 Member of the Scientific Committee of the ESRS, 1998-2002.
- b) No other candidacies have been received by this secretary.

#### 2. Basic Vice-President

- a) **Roberto Amici** (Bologna, Italy) has accepted to be candidate for another two year term.
- b) No other candidacies have been received by this secretary.

#### 3. Clinical Vice-President

- a) **Patrick Lévy**, MD, Msc, PhD (Grenoble, France)

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**Previous activities in the ESRS:** Member of the Scientific Committee since 2004, renewed in 2006.

**Proposed by:** Pierre Philip (French Sleep Society, Bordeaux, France)

b) **Dirk Pevernagie**, M.D., Ph.D. (Heeze, The Netherlands)

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**Previous activities in the ESRS:** Member of the ESRS since 1992;  
Member of the Steering Committee of the National Sleep Societies (NSS) since 2004;  
Member and secretary of the Executive Committee of the Assembly of NSS since 2006, in this capacity: co-opted member of the ESRS Board.

**Proposed by:** Irene Tobler (Zurich, Switzerland)

#### 4. Treasurer

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**Previous activities in the ESRS:** Member of the Scientific Committee since 2004.

**Proposed by:** Geert Mayer (German Sleep Society, Schwalmstadt-Treysa, Germany)

b) No other candidacies have been received by this secretary.

## 5. Secretary

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**Previous activities in the ESRS:** Member of the Scientific Committee, 2006-2008.

**Proposed by:** Thomas Wetter (Munich, Germany)

b) No other candidacies have been received by this secretary.

## 6. Assistant-Secretary

a) **Debra Skene** (Guildford, United Kingdom) has accepted to be candidate for another two year term.

b) No other candidacies have been received by this secretary.

## Nominations for the Scientific Committee

The composition of the present Scientific Committee is:

Christian Cajochen, Basel Switzerland (chair) (since 2004)  
 Claude Gronfier, Bron, France (since 2004)  
 Hanspeter Landolt, Zurich, Switzerland (since 2004)  
 Patrick Lévy, Grenoble, France (since 2004)  
 Dieter Riemann, Freiburg, Germany (since 2004)  
 Philippe Peigneux, Liege, Belgium (since 2006)  
 Malcolm von Schantz, Guildford, UK (since 2006)

The members of the scientific committee are elected for 2 years and can be re-elected for an additional two-year term.

The following member of the Scientific Committee is eligible for a second two-year term and has accepted to run for re-election:

### 1. **Malcolm von Schantz**, Guildford, United Kingdom (since 2006)

All ESRS members have been invited to nominate candidates according to the rules established by the bylaws. We have 16 new candidates. **The period of acceptance of nominations is now closed.**

### 2. **Rozi Andretic**, Dr.sci. (Rijeka, Croatia)

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**Nomination:** Jason Ellis (Glasgow, United Kingdom)

### 3. **Christian Baumann**, (Zurich, Switzerland)

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**Nomination:** Christian Cajochen (Basel, Switzerland)

### 4. **Tom de Boer**, Ph.D. (Leiden, The Netherlands)

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**Nomination:** Christian Cajochen (Basel, Switzerland), Malcolm von Schantz (Guildford, United Kingdom)

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**14. Renata Riha, BMedSc RPSGT MBBS FRACP MD FRCPE (Edinburgh, United Kingdom)**

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## **AGENDA OF THE ESRS BUSINESS MEETING**

Date: Sept 11<sup>th</sup>, 2008, 5.15 p.m.

Venue: Convention Centre of Glasgow

1. Opening by the President of the ESRS
2. Determination of the Election Assistance
3. Acceptance of the Minutes of the Previous Business Meeting
4. Report of the President
5. Report of the Secretary
6. Report of the Assistant Secretary
7. Report of the Vice-President
8. Report of the Treasurer
9. Report of the Assembly of National Sleep Societies
10. Report of the JSR Editor
11. Discharge of the Board
12. Election of the Members of the Board of Officers
13. Election of the SC
14. Determination of the Amount of the Membership Fees
15. ESRS Congress 2010
16. ESRS Congress 2012 (Proposal and Voting)
17. Miscellaneous



## APPLICANTS FOR MEMBERSHIP

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