

## **Election Statement**

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The European Society of Endocrinology represents a unique platform for both clinical endocrinologists as well as scientists with interest in endocrinology, from Europe and worldwide, to share views, develop collaborations, discuss complex or controversial topics, and to promote research in the field of endocrinology.

I have over 15 years of experience as a senior endocrinologist, more than 4 years as a member of the Advisory Board of the European Neuroendocrine Tumor Society (ENETS), and I am the Chair of the Israeli Forum of Neuroendocrine Tumors (INET) since its creation about 10 years ago. I am the head of the Neuroendocrine Tumors (NET) Unit attached to the Endocrinology and Metabolism Department at Hadassah-Hebrew University Medical Center in Jerusalem, one of the leading centers in Israel and abroad for both, patient clinical care as well as for research, addressing a variety of endocrine-related disorders and malignancies; moreover, I am the head of one of the few laboratories specifically focused on basic research in the field of neuroendocrine and endocrine tumors, and I strongly believe that translational medicine, bringing together the clinical knowledge with the laboratory research, “from the bed to the bench and backwards”, is crucial for understanding a disease and find a possible cure. I believe that active education of young generation to increase awareness on different aspects related to the diagnosis and the treatment of different endocrine-related disorders, and to stimulate their inner interest for research, is fundamental. As the scientific leader of the biannual Israel National Congress in NETs, of the annual international preceptorship in NETs at Hadassah, and of many other local meetings, I am deeply experienced in organizing meetings/ educational programs. I therefore believe that my extensive experience will be very valuable for ESE.

I would like to promote an interdisciplinary collaboration between endocrinologists and other medical specialists. This model has proven to be very effective in NET patient’s management. I completely support this approach which may drive us to the creation of an international multidisciplinary platform for exchanging knowledge and experience. This could be achieved via intensive multicenter scientific cooperation through preparation of preceptorships, multidisciplinary guidelines, as well as creation of Centers of Excellence for specific endocrine disorders management. Moreover, and importantly, I would like to promote close working relationship with other related societies, such as the European Neuroendocrine Tumor Society (ENETS), European Neuroendocrine Society (ENEA), Asia Pacific Endocrine Society (APES), International Association of Endocrine Surgeons (IAES), Society of Nuclear Medicine and Molecular Imaging (SNMMI), etc.

As the availability of appropriate resources for a timely diagnosis, treatment and follow-up of patients with a variety of endocrine diseases is heterogeneous depending on the specific geographic area or country, I would like to actively support the involvement of our colleagues from areas such as Middle East, Asia-Pacific and Australia in ESE events (ECE, postgraduate courses, guidelines, etc.), in research programs (international clinical trials, basic research, etc.), to facilitate the cooperation between endocrinologists

without borders, and to develop a new generation of skilled clinicians and scientists in endocrinology .

I would also like to contribute to the development of a support network and resources for endocrine-related health professionals (e.g., nurses, psychologists, nutritionists, etc.), inside the ESE, to improve their clinical practice and to provide a platform for sharing expertise and evidence-based practice related to endocrine patient care.

It is an honor and a privilege to be nominated as candidate for this ESE Executive Committee position, and if elected, I will actively contribute to the Society's mission to advance endocrinology, to promote collaboration and best practice, and to enable our community to develop and share the best knowledge in endocrine science and medicine.