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To: IFCC Full Member Societies' National Representatives IFCC Affiliate Societies' Representatives IFCC Corporate Members' Representative

Dear Colleagues,

The **Executive Committee of the Scientific Division (SD)** has one position vacant as **Secretary**, for a three year term of office starting **January 2021**.

The SD Executive is a management group that has the overall responsibility for all activities within the remit of the SD. The SD Executive manages projects and oversees the activities of a number of Committees and Working Groups. The Executive is responsible for ensuring that all SD groups work at the highest professional level to address agreed objectives. It may terminate an activity or initiate another based on the needs and goals of the IFCC. It is also responsible for revision of SD documents. The goals to which the SD is committed are to:

1. Identify research areas of relevance to Clinical Chemistry and assist the transfer of research results to the profession.
2. Identify scientific and technological problems in current practice and provide solutions.
3. Facilitate the development and transfer of technical innovations to the clinical laboratory and the practicing clinician.
4. Facilitate the development and implementation of reference measurement procedures and of diagnostic strategies.
5. Establish standards for scientific and technical aspects of good laboratory practice.
6. Respond to scientific and technical needs of IFCC Member Societies, IFCC Corporate Members and external agencies.
7. Participate actively in the scientific program committees of IFCC congresses and scientific meetings.
8. Ensure the quality of IFCC scientific documents.

The SD coordinates currently the activities of 7 Committees and 16 Working Groups (for more details, see IFCC Website: <http://www.ifcc.org/ifcc-scientific-division/>). Each SD member has a responsibility to contribute to all of the objectives of the SD within the IFCC and also specifically manages, as liaison to the Division, a number of Committees and Working Groups.

The time required by the SD Secretary a member to fulfill the various tasks related to his/her participation in the activities of the SD is on average approximately one half day per week with more intense times 3 – 4 times per year. Most of the work of the Division is done through exchanges of correspondence and emails throughout the year. Until the CoronaVirus Disease pandemic, the Division usually held two meetings per year, of a minimum of two days duration. One of the meetings is usually held during a regional meeting sponsored by IFCC or during the International Congress of the IFCC when it occurs. At the moment all activities are held with conference calls organized more frequently.

An ideal nominee is a candidate well acquainted with a specific area of Laboratory Medicine who also has a broad knowledge of Clinical Chemistry and Laboratory Medicine. Excellent written and spoken English is important. We would particularly welcome candidates with a strong professional interest in metrology and standardization on this occasion. The SD-EC Secretary main task is to draft SD-EC meeting minutes, therefore the availability to attend all SD-EC Meeting is very important. In addition to preparing the meeting minutes, the Secretary is responsible for the assembly of the Annual Report of the activities of the various Cs and WGs. The prospective candidates who wish to discuss the work of the SD in more detail before agreeing to be nominated are invited to contact the Chair or Vice-Chair for further information.

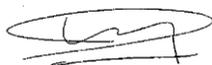
Nominations should be directly sent to the IFCC Office (paola.bramati@ifcc.org) by **December 10th, 2020**.

The information must include:

- 1) Name, address, telephone number and e-mail address of the nominee.
- 2) A full Curriculum Vitae describing his/her professional and/or academic career (including a list of publications), particularly highlighting the issues which could be important for his/her selection.
- 3) A letter of acceptance of the nomination by the candidate.

I look forward to receiving your nomination.

Yours sincerely



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