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To: Presidents and National Representatives of EFLM National Society Members

Call for nominations for the EFLM Working Group "Postanalytical Phase"

Dear President and National Representative,

By this letter, EFLM asks for your support in the call for nomination of new members for the Working Group Postanalytical Phase (WG-POST). Some WG Members finished the terms at the end of 2018, therefore we are calling for nominations of:

➤ 2 Full Members

The first term of office will be for 2 years starting on January 1st 2019 with the potential extensions for two more terms beyond 2020. The work of WG-POST is mainly conducted by e-mail and teleconferencing. Additionally, the WG usually meets once per year for reports.

Currently, the Terms of Reference of WG-POST are:

1. *To promote the importance of those activities that can improve clinical utilisation of laboratory tests in the postanalytical (PA) and post-postanalytical (PPA) phases including assisted test requesting (AR).*
2. *To support laboratories in taking an active, prominent role in the above activities when they assist clinicians in finding the appropriate laboratory tests to meet their clinical needs and in translating the laboratory results to diagnostic information.*
3. *To develop and organise surveys and external quality assurance (EQA) programmes focusing on laboratory and/or clinical aspects of the above activities in European laboratories.*
4. *To provide a scientific paper and a feedback report summarising the main findings of each survey and updating the recent literature of the investigated practice on each project.*

In order to complement the successful work made in the past, the EFLM Executive Board has decided to put major emphasis and support future collaborative laboratory studies in areas of Postanalytics, also with the goal of attracting public grant funding. Accordingly, we ask you to consider the scientific profile of colleagues you may want to nominate. EB expects that the nominated group members are willing to interact with scientists within the EFLM to further said collaborative project activities.

Procedure for applications

Each EFLM National Society Member in good standing with the membership fee can submit one nomination through the attached application form. A brief plan of the applicant's contribution to the aims and objectives of the relevant Working Group has to be included in the form. Together with the application, a short CV should also be submitted underlining the qualifications and prior experience and publications in the relevant area. Candidates have to be officially recommended by their National Society through a formal letter of support. Applicants who are not selected as full members may be eligible for corresponding membership.

Nominations have to be electronically submitted to the EFLM Office: Silvia Cattaneo - e-mail: silvia.cattaneo@eflm.eu within the deadline of **28 February 2019**.

With kindest regards,

Eric S Kilpatrick

Chair of the EFLM Science Committee

cc: Dr. Ann-Helen Kristoffesen, newly appointed WG-POST Chair