

## 2023 Call for nominations for the EHMA Scientific Advisory Committee

Active since 1982, the European Health Management Association (EHMA) is a non-profit membership organisation striving for excellent health management for a healthy Europe. EHMA takes ideas from concept to construct by harmonising the best of the best. EHMA is a conduit for health management excellence with meaningful engagement at all levels: systemic, organisational, and individual.

To improve the health of Europe's citizens and communities we leverage the expertise of our Members and Networks to enhance the capacity and capability of health management to deliver high-quality healthcare. We provide a platform for healthcare managers, healthcare professionals, health policymakers, researchers, and educators to engage. We strive to improve the sustainability and effectiveness of health systems and services in all our work.

### EHMA Scientific Advisory Committee (SAC)

The SAC supports the achievement of EHMA's vision and mission by providing advice on research and scientific issues. Building on EHMA reputation for academic excellence, the SAC comprises EHMA Members who bring the highest standards of research governance to ensure that the EHMA work programme and activities are of an internationally recognised high standard.

The SAC plays an important role in providing a focus and voice for the EHMA research community. SAC Members advise the Secretariat and the Board on the key directions for health management to be pursued in the future. They also shape the EHMA Conference by proposing themes and research topics for the development of the program. SAC Members are also asked to advise on the Call for Abstracts and have an active role in assessing and clustering the abstracts submitted to the Conference. The SAC provides advice and guidance on the engagement of EHMA in European-funded research projects.

The SAC is composed of minimum five (5) and no more than eight (8) members. Elected by the EHMA Membership with simple majority for a three-year term, renewable once. SAC Members elect their Chair with simple majority for a three-year term, renewable once. A member of the EHMA Board also joins the SAC as an ex-officio member.

The SAC meets eight times per year, typically once during the EHMA Conference and otherwise online. Meetings are typically 50 minutes duration, with one or two discussion points per meeting. There are also infrequent email requests for advice. Total time commitment is usually less than two hours per month.

The SAC is an advisory body that works predominantly to respond to guidance requests from the EHMA Secretariat. It is ultimately accountable to the EHMA members, through the Board of Directors. All advice and opinions expressed by the SAC are kept in high regard, but the strategic direction of EHMA and its work plan remains the accountability of the Board of Directors.

Members of the SAC may additionally take part in the Conference Steering Committee or any other EHMA Committees. Their participation and engagement in said committees is regulated by each committee's internal rules.

### In 2023, EHMA is running a call for nominations for its Scientific Advisory Committee.

EHMA is looking for nominations from our membership to renew the SAC membership. Nominations from a diverse range of individuals are encouraged, to ensure that the new SAC has representatives from across all areas of Europe, gender balance, and diverse subject matter expertise.

### Responsibilities

Scientific Advisory Committee Members are committed to:

1. Provide the EHMA Board of Directors, at the beginning of each calendar year, with a report on the key directions for health management that should guide EHMA.
2. Propose to the EHMA Board a list of themes and research topics to inform the development of the EHMA Conference program.
3. Have an active role in assessing and clustering the abstracts submitted to the Conference, in accordance with the process established for and rules applying to the specific activity.
4. Provide advice and guidance on the engagement in European-funded research projects by EHMA and its members.
5. Guide the maintenance of EHMA's policy stock take.
6. Provide expert advice, as requested, or suggest names of experts for events, training, projects, and other EHMA activities.

## Term

Members of the Scientific Advisory Committee shall be elected for **a three-year term, renewable once**. All terms shall commence immediately following the election.

Members of the Scientific Advisory Committee may resign from their position at any time. If a member of the Scientific Advisory Committee terminates their EHMA Membership, their commitment to the Scientific Advisory Committee will also be considered terminated.

The Scientific Advisory Committee does not have to host elections before the end of appointment terms if the total number of members is at least five (5). Otherwise, elections will be held on the first possible occasion.

## Eligibility

Applicants to the SAC must be an **EHMA organisational or individual member**, in good standing. Members of the Board of Governance are able to attend SAC meetings as ex-officio members, and therefore are not eligible to nominate to join officially.

## How to apply

Applicants to the Scientific Advisory Committee must apply through this [online application form](#) by **Monday, 22 May 2023 at 10 AM CET**. **Only applications received through the [online form](#) will be considered.**

Nominees shall provide a personal statement outlining their motivation to apply together with a short biography or CV. Statements and biographies will be shared with EHMA Members before the election date. By applying the applicant acknowledges that their personal data, as provided in the application form, will be shared with the EHMA Secretariat and the EHMA Membership.

Should applicants have any issues with the [online form](#), they are kindly invited to email Claudia Granaldi at [claudia.granaldi@ehma.org](mailto:claudia.granaldi@ehma.org)

## Elections

The election of Members of the Scientific Advisory Committee shall take place during the EHMA Annual General Assembly on **Tuesday, 6 June 2023 from 12.30 to 13.25 CEST in ALTEMS – Alta Scuola di Economia e Management dei Sistemi Sanitari, Università Cattolica del Sacro Cuore, Largo Francesco Vito 1, 00168 Rome, Italy**. Members will be elected with a simple majority of the present members.

For any additional information, applicants are invited to contact the EHMA Secretariat at [claudia.granaldi@ehma.org](mailto:claudia.granaldi@ehma.org)