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Calling on EADV members to participate in the summer elections and calls for nominations

This summer and in the lead up to the Annual Congress in Vienna, Austria, between 30 September and 3 October 2026, EADV voting members are invited to become more actively involved in the life of the Academy. Eligible members will be called to vote in the presidential and summer round of Board Member elections. This is an opportunity to participate in the selection of the EADV leadership, shaping the future of the Academy's community and, ultimately, advancing dermatology and venereology care for patients across Europe and beyond.

Summer elections

Like every other year, we are getting ready for a summer that will witness

an intense election period. In fact, the call for the President-Elect and the summer Board Member call to select

representatives for seven countries have recently closed and relevant elections are scheduled to follow very soon.

This article provides important practical information, not only in relation to presidential and Board Member elections but also concerning the calls for nominations that are about to open featuring positions on the Executive Committee and on several other EADV Committees.

EADV President-Elect election

The President-Elect is elected to this position for two years, automatically becoming President of the EADV and then Immediate Past-President for an overall mandate of six years on the Executive Committee. In addition, the President-Elect, President and Immediate Past-President are also members of the EADV Board and ex-officio members on all EADV Committees. The term of office of the President-Elect will start immediately after the Annual General Meeting (AGM) in October 2026.

As mentioned above, the voting session to elect the President-Elect is about to open.

This election will be held only online and will be managed by Civica Election Services (CES), EADV's long-standing supplier for these kinds of electronic votes.

Relying on a trusted external supplier allows the Academy to guarantee a secret vote and a fair and impartial election procedure, ensuring reliable results.

- The President-Elect election will open at the beginning of August 2026 and last until mid-September 2026.
- All EADV members in good standing and with voting rights have been recently contacted by the Secretary General with information on these elections (from eadvelections@eadv.org), and will be contacted by CES with the voting emails.

I take this opportunity to highlight once again that the President-Elect election will take place during the aforementioned August–mid-September 2026 period and that it will be online only.

Summer round of Board Member elections

Board Members representing their countries are elected for a period of

three years with a one-time possibility for re-election. The term of office of Board Members elected during the summer, will start after the Academy's Annual Congress in Vienna.

- Elections for Board Members will be limited to EADV members in good standing with voting rights in the following countries: Belgium, the Czech Republic, Iceland, Italy, Montenegro, Norway and the United Kingdom (to elect one Board Member each).
- Elections will open in mid-August 2026 and last until mid-September 2026.

The summer round of Board Member elections will also be held online, always managed by CES.

PLEASE NOTE

We kindly ask you to bear in mind that **President-Elect** and **summer Board Member** elections will be held separately. Consequently, we invite the voters to be on the lookout for separate and dedicated voting emails from CES between August and September 2026.

General practical tips:

- Voting emails and all official election-related emails are sent to the voters using the email addresses that they have provided to the Academy as part of their EADV member profiles.
- CES will be sending reminders to those who have not yet cast a vote.
- Should you not find EADV or CES emails in your inbox, we strongly suggest checking your junk mail folder as your spam filters might have automatically redirected these emails there.
- The voting emails from CES have the following domain: @cesvotes.com.

- Remember that cybersecurity systems are becoming stronger and legitimate emails are being increasingly blocked or quarantined especially when connected with hospital/private practice/university addresses. Consequently, to secure uninterrupted receipt of EADV and of CES communications, we recommend contacting your IT administrator to make sure that these are added to a trusted list of senders.
- Candidate profiles with name and countries of candidate and endorsers, candidates' *curriculum vitae*, their mission/position statement, eventual letters of support (if required by the nomination process), completed conflict of interest disclosure forms and photos will be available for consultation directly on the voting pages.
- President-Elect candidates' photo and position statements are also available in this special issue of *EADV News*.
- Information is also available on the [Academy's website](#).

Election results will be disclosed by the Secretary General at the Academy's AGM, scheduled to be held during the Annual Congress in Vienna on Friday, 2 October 2026 (see further down in this Election Special *EADV News* for AGM Notice and Agenda). I look forward to seeing you there to share with you firsthand the information from the Academy's Executive Committee.

Upcoming calls for nominations

This Summer will also feature the advertisement of vacancies on the Executive Committee and several positions on other EADV Committees as Chairs-Elect and Committee Members.

Board Representatives to the EC

These vacancies are open only to Board Members and they aim to elect two Board Members representing the Board at an Executive Committee level for a single two-year term without possibility for re-election. Their role is to primarily consider the Board's interest, and they attend Executive Committee Meetings with full voting entitlements. Board Representatives to the EC are elected at the Academy's autumn Board Meeting (currently scheduled to be held in Vienna on 29 September 2026) and the term of office of the elected candidates will become effective immediately after the Board Meeting.

Committee Chairs-Elect and Committee Members

The following vacancies will be advertised soon:

Committee Chairs-Elect: Honours and Awards Committee (one vacancy), Nomination and Election Monitoring Committee (one vacancy) and Statutes and Development Committee (one vacancy). The term of office of the elected candidates will be one year, working together with the current Chair, automatically becoming Chair at the end of that one year period (for four years).

Committee Members: Education Committee (two vacancies), Finance Committee (one vacancy), Scientific Programming Committee representing the Southern Region (one vacancy), Statutes and Development Committee (one vacancy) and Nomination and Election Monitoring Committee (two vacancies). The term of office of Committee Members is four years.

We strongly invite all those interested in submitting a nomination to read the call attentively and become familiar with the relevant nominee eligibility criteria as these might change

depending on the advertised position.

The mandate of the elected Committee Chairs-Elect and of the elected Committee Members will start after the Academy's Annual Congress in Vienna.

The Board Representatives to the EC, the Committee Chairs-Elect and the Committee Members are elected by the Academy's Board Members. Committee elections will be held online in September 2026 in the lead up to the Autumn Board Meeting, while Board Representatives to the EC will be elected during the Board Meeting.

EADV Election Results

The results of the elections for all the positions listed above, as well as an overview of all the elections held earlier this year (spring round of Board Members, EADV News Editor and Task Force Facilitator-Elect), will be presented by the Secretary General at the AGM in Vienna.

Elected candidates also receive official written confirmations from myself in my position as Secretary General.

The names, country and photograph (where applicable) of the elected candidates will be published on the [EADV website](#).

The Academy's and CES's privacy policies and other GDPR (General Data Protection Regulation)-related information are available on the [Nominations and Elections page](#).



Professor Margarida Gonalo
EADV Secretary General

I take this opportunity to express my pride towards the importance that the Academy gives to ensuring that collegiality is safeguarded and maintained among our community and throughout our activities, especially when it comes to elections.

Consequently, I would like to mention not only the Code of Conduct which addresses all EADV members, but also the Code of Behaviour that governs the manner in which candidates should conduct themselves during the election period. All nominees must adhere to these Codes when submitting a nomination, ensuring that the intentions of these potential candidates reflect the highest personal, professional and ethical standards – values that are expected to characterise all those who want to actively support the Academy, to lead it and to advocate for our specialities in Europe and worldwide.

Information on the Codes of Conduct and Behaviour is available on a dedicated section of the [Nominations and Elections page](#).

Carmen Salavastru



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The Power to Dare - The Commitment to Deliver

Knowledge and collaboration are the foundations of EADV's strength. They enable our Academy to grow, to lead, and to remain a source of inspiration for dermatologists across Europe and beyond.

After four years of serving as Secretary General, during which EADV membership grew from 6,815 to over 13,000 members, I am standing for election as President-Elect with a clear ambition: to build an Academy that is more dynamic, more inclusive, and more empowering for every dermatologist, at every stage of their professional journey.

Combining a 30-year career as an university hospital physician, private practitioner and educator with more than 25 years of active EADV membership, I have contributed to Academy's strategic decision-making, helping to shape educational and advocacy initiatives that support our community. This experience has reinforced one fundamental belief: EADV's greatest strength is its members.

My vision is built on four strategic pillars:

- Empowering young dermatologists - recognizing them not only as the future of our specialty, but as an essential driving force in its present. This means greater representation, expanded leadership opportunities, and a meaningful voice at every level of the Academy.
- Bridging clinical practice and research - ensuring that both practicing clinicians and academic researchers find equal value, recognition, and support within EADV.
- Connecting beyond borders - harnessing the diversity of our membership to reduce disparities in access to education, professional opportunities, and visibility.
- Championing inclusion - across gender, career stage, and professional setting, because a stronger EADV reflects the full diversity and excellence of Dermatology and Venereology.

I will serve with the same energy, transparency, integrity, and commitment that I have demonstrated throughout every role entrusted to me.

Know. Adapt. Progress.

Vote for an EADV that listens, connects, and leads. Together for Better!

Full profiles of the candidates will be available on the CES online voting page

Prof. Dr. med. Christos C. Zouboulis



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Dear colleagues-members of the EADV,

It is my honour to stand as a candidate for the Presidency of our Academy, driven by a deep commitment to excellence, continuity, and service. If entrusted with this responsibility, I will build on the Academy's achievements while preserving its vision, values, and traditions through inclusive, transparent, and forward-looking leadership.

My priority is to ensure that every member—regardless of career stage, gender, nationality, or background—has the opportunity to contribute, thrive, and excel. Through my long EADV journey I have benefited from the guidance, collaboration, and friendship of colleagues (with some mentioned in my CV) and has strengthened my belief that our greatest asset is the dedication of our members to advancing science and improving patient care.

Scientific excellence will remain at the heart of our mission through innovative research, multidisciplinary collaboration, and dissemination of high-impact knowledge. I am committed to supporting young colleagues by strengthening mentorship, expanding networking and career development opportunities, and recognising scientific excellence. At the same time, we will continue to honour the long-standing members whose dedication has shaped the EADV into the leading Academy of today.

Education and lifelong professional development will remain key priorities through outstanding congresses, workshops/training programmes, and innovative educational initiatives. I will encourage greater involvement of national representatives in co-organising spring symposia and strengthen partnerships with sister societies and international organisations to enhance global collaboration and the EADV's international standing.

Our Academy must continue to be a respected voice for dermatology, engaging policymakers, healthcare leaders, patients, and the public. Responsible financial management and strategic partnerships will ensure sustainable growth and continued innovation.

It would be my privilege to lead the EADV on this journey. I respectfully ask for your trust and support as we work together to strengthen our Academy, advance our profession, and improve patient care.



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Annual General Meeting 2026

Notice is hereby given that the
**2026 Annual General Meeting of the
European Academy of Dermatology
and Venereology**

will be held

in Vienna, Austria

Austria Centre Vienna

Room: Hall G | Level: -2

on Friday, 2 October 2026

starting at 12:30 CEST

(registration opening at 12:00 hours CEST)

Prof Margarida Gonalo
EADV Secretary General

9 July 2026

AGENDA

- 1 Call to order by the President
- 2 Presentation of the reports
(for information only):
 - President
 - Secretary General
 - Treasurer
- 3 Announcement of the
President-Elect 2026-2028
- 4 Date and time of next meeting



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Calendar of Events

2026

55th Annual ESDR Meeting

9–12 September 2026 | Heidelberg, Germany

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11st MEIDAM International Congress

24–26 September 2026 | Dubai, UAE

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International Society of Dermatopathology XLV Symposium

24–26 September 2026 | London, UK

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The UEMS European Board of Dermatovenereology Diploma (EBDVD) Examination

25 September 2026 | Frankfurt am Main, Germany and remote

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AI in Dermatology Summit 2026

29 September 2026 | Vienna, Austria

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EADV Congress 2026

30 September–3 October 2026 | Vienna, Austria

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27th IUSTI World Congress

14–17 October 2026 | Prague, Czech Republic

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34^e Congrès International de l'ADF

5–7 November 2026 | Beyrouth, Lebanon

(may be postponed to 22–24 April 2027 – see website)

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2027

7th World Congress of Dermoscopy 2027

12–15 May 2027 | Lyon, France

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EADV Symposium 2027

20–22 May 2027 | Dresden, Germany

WCD2027 – 26th World Congress of Dermatology

21–26 June 2027 | Guadalajara, Mexico

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EADV Congress 2027

22–25 September | Amsterdam, the Netherlands

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