



Elections of the ESGLI Executive Committee, term 2026-2028.

Election Committee

Maria Luisa Ricci

Valeria Gaia

Nominations

Nominations were open from 8 January to 5 February 2026. 40/909 members participated in the nomination phase. The following 53 members were nominated or nominated themselves.

Nominee Name	Nomination status	No. of Supports	Decision Election Committee
Ms Dr Anastasia Flountzi	accepted	16	accepted
Ms Dr Maria Scaturro	accepted	15	accepted
Ms Dr Ghislaine Descours	accepted	9	accepted
Mr Dr Markus Petzold	accepted	6	accepted
Ms Dr Lisa Wasserstrom	accepted	4	accepted
Ms Dr Baharak Afshar	accepted	4	accepted
Ms Dr Zsófia Barna	accepted	3	rejected
Mr Dr Jimmy Walker	accepted	3	rejected
Mr Prof. Haluk Erdogan	accepted	2	accepted
Ms Dr Teresa Inkster	accepted	2	accepted
Mr Dr Ali Chakeri	accepted	1	rejected
Mr Dr Muditha Abeykoon	accepted	1	rejected
Ms Dr Halime Araz	accepted	0	rejected
Ms Prof Anna Giammanco	no response	2	
Mr Dr Simon Goldenberg	no response	1	
Ms Katerina Kulieshova	no response	1	



Ms Dr Caroline Schönning	no response	1	
Ms Dr Ana Pereira	no response	1	
Ms Dr Madina Farajova	no response	1	
Ms Dr Dominique L. Chaput	no response	1	
Ms Sarah Uhle	no response	1	
Ms Dr Beatrice Fermi	no response	1	
Ms Dr Irmak Baran	no response	1	
Ms Dr Selen Şahin	no response	1	
Ms Prof. Maria Luisa Pedro-Botet	no response	1	
Ms Dr Bel Adela	no response	1	
Ms Dr Claressa Lucas	no response	1	
Ms Maria-Jesus Chasqueira	no response	1	
Mr Dr Massimo Mentasti	no response	1	
Mr Dr Fumiaki Kura	no response	1	
Ms Dr Sandra Cristino	rejected	3	
Ms Dr Valeria Gaia	rejected	2	
Ms Dr Birgitta De Jong	rejected	2	
Ms Dr Surman-Lee Dr Susanne	rejected	2	
Ms Prof Maria Luisa Cristina	rejected	2	
Ms Charlotte Svaerke Joergensen	rejected	1	
Mr Dr Søren Uldum	rejected	1	
Mr Prof. Paul Edelstein	rejected	1	
Ms Prof. Sophie Jarraud	rejected	1	
Ms Dr Maria Luisa Ricci	rejected	1	
Ms Dr Camille Jacqueline	rejected	1	



Ms Dr Catherine Whapham	rejected	1	
Ms Dr Diane Lindsay	rejected	1	
Ms Dr Charlotte Michel	rejected	1	
Ms Prof. Loredana Covolo	rejected	1	
Mr Dr Florian Heger	rejected	1	
Mr Dr Fernando Gonzalez-Camacho	rejected	1	
Mr Christophe Ginevra	rejected	1	
Ms Dr Evdokia Katsemi	rejected	1	
Ms Graf Simone	rejected	1	
Mr Dr Nicola Doniselli	rejected	1	
Ms Dr Petra Brandsema	rejected	1	
Mr Dr Sebastian Crespi Rotger	rejected	1	

The election committee accepted 8 nominations and rejected 5 accepted nominations because they did not reach the minimum number of supporters (2) or are employed by a private company and with that excluded from being on an ESCMID Committee. Amongst the accepted nominees, Maria Scaturro, Anastasia Flountzi, and Markus Petzold, stood for re-election.

Elections

Elections were open from 19 February to 5 March 2026. Members had the possibility to cast 5 votes; 117/909 (12.87 %) members voted. The results of the elections are the following:

Nominee Name	Votes	Country	on ESGLI EC since	Decision Election Committee
Ms Dr Maria Scaturro	102	Italy	2024	elected
Ms Dr Anastasia Flountzi	85	Greece	2022	elected
Mr Dr Markus Petzold	83	Germany	2022	elected
Ms Dr Ghislaine Descours	80	France		elected
Ms Dr Lisa Wasserstrom	75	Sweden		run off ballot
Ms Dr Baharak Afshar	75	UK		run off ballot
Mr Prof. Haluk Erdogan	46	Türkiye		
Ms Dr Teresa Inkster	39	UK		



Run-off ballot

The run-off ballot was open from 19 to 29 March 2026. Members had the possibility to cast 1 vote; 76/984 members voted. The results are the following:

Nominee Name	Votes	Decision Election Committee
Ms Dr Lisa Wasserstrom	43	elected
Ms Dr Baharak Afshar	33	

Results were communicated to the candidates on 06 March 2026 (regular elections) and 30 March 2026 (run-off ballot). All elected members accepted to join the Executive Committee. ESGLI members were informed on 31 March 2026. The role of chair, secretary, treasurer, science officer and education officer will be assigned at the first meeting of the new executive committeeⁱ.

ⁱ Article 4, Study Group Statutes: Positions within the Executive Committee are decided on by the Executive Committee members themselves, after internal deliberations. Each position can be held by the same person for a maximum of four years