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To: **Presidents and National Representatives of EFLM National Society Members**

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Call for nominations for the EFLM Working Group on Guidelines

Dear President and National Representative,

Clinical practice guidelines relating to laboratory diagnostic testing are increasingly produced with the aim of standardizing practice and improving patient care based on the best available evidence.

The aim of the EFLM WG on Guidelines, chaired by Dr. Julian Barth, is to prepare guidelines for making recommendations for laboratory testing, to co-operate with clinical guidelines developers (e.g. SIGN, ADA, NICE) for the development of the laboratory part and to develop laboratory guidelines for reflective testing.

Due to the office termination of one Full Member, a vacancy arises and we are calling nominations for:

- **1 Full Member position**

Here below the WG Terms of Reference:

Co-operation in defining European guidelines for the investigation and laboratory management of disease by:

1. *Prepare guidelines for making recommendations for laboratory testing;*
2. *Co-operate with clinical guidelines developers (e.g. SIGN, ADA, NICE) for the development of the laboratory part of clinical guidelines;*
3. *Develop laboratory guidelines for reflective testing.*

The term of office will be for 2 years ending on 31 December 2017.

The position could be renewable for other two more terms upon advice of the Committee Chair and continuing support from the National Society.

The work is mainly conducted by e-mail and teleconferencing, the WG usually meets once per year.

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 **30 April 2016**.

We look forward to hearing from you.

With kindest regards,

Eric S Kilpatrick
Chair of the EFLM Science Committee

cc: Dr. Julian Barth – WG-G Chair