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To: Presidents and National Representatives of EFLM National Society Members

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. EFLM has a specific Working Group on this topic, the WG on Guidelines chaired by Prof. Michel Langlois.

We are calling for nominations for **1 Full Member position** for the term of office 2018-2019.

The current terms of reference of the WG-G are:

- To maintain the repository of guidelines issued by EFLM National Societies and other Societies, not only laboratory practice guidelines but also the laboratory part of clinical guidelines, with the ultimate scope to identify fields of Laboratory Medicine where to initiate assembling joint European Guidelines produced by EFLM;
- To identify critical areas that will be used for the development of EFLM guidelines. This might include harmonisation where several guidelines on one topic had been prepared;
- To develop EFLM guidelines;
- To create a template for EFLM guidelines, including essential components for the appropriate use of laboratory tests.

The term of office will be for 2 years ending on 31 December 2019. Members may be invited to extend the time in office by up to two further terms if their work for the Group is deemed essential at that time. 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 **20 February 2018**.

We look forward to hearing from you.

With kindest regards,

Eric S Kilpatrick
Chair of the EFLM Science Committee

cc: Prof. Michel Langlois – WG-G Chair