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Application to a "Director of professional Development" position --- EAHP Board Elections - GA 2021

Dear Ms., Mr., Dear colleagues,

The EAHP has a crucial role and gains more and more influence along the years, not only within the European institutions but also for its members in each country.

The EAHP has been present all the way of my hospital pharmacy Residency during which I have had several European experiences; for instance, in the University Hospitals of Geneva (HUG), Switzerland, and at the European Commission, DG SANTE, in Brussels. There, I worked on the HTA dossier (and thus participated in meetings in the European Parliament and the Council of the EU) and on medicine shortages topics for which I have seen that the EAHP's surveys are precious data to the DG SANTE.

When I have been elected Vice-president in charge of International Relationships at the French Association of Residents in Hospital Pharmacy in 2018, I took the opportunity to become a Delegate at the GA of EAHP in Edinburgh in June 2019. Dr Benoît HUE let me present to the delegations the evolution of the hospital pharmacy Residency in France. This day, I really grasped the importance of the work done by the EAHP and made me wish to be part of this team.

I am currently chief pharmacist at the hospital of Hesdin (North of France) that is part of a large hospital complex: the Hospital of the Montreuil Area (CHAM), connected to Brussels (and Paris) in 2 hours by train or car. Before this position, I worked in Paris at the Ministry of Health as a policy officer in a unit responsible of the medical products' topics. I was the person in charge for attending the OECD discussions related to these topics.

My goal is to serve and represent in all possible ways the EAHP and its members. For the benefits of our patients, we need to bring out the best of the challenges that hospitals and healthcare systems are facing, not only the current ones as the vaccination strategies, the medicine shortages..., but also the longer terms and strategic ones such as the AMR or the CTF. I have in mind that the EU will be led by France during the 1st semester of 2022. As French, I see an opportunity to push forward the ideas of the EAHP. By being a member of the Board, I would have the best tools to serve the most efficiently the EAHP during this period, and after.

This position would be an honor and will enriched me as a human being and as a hospital pharmacist.

I remain fully available for any questions you may have.

I am looking forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

Louis Bertin

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