

## EAHIL Council Elections 2015-2018

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### Candidate for Belgium

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**Inge Discart** has worked at the Biomedical library of KULeuven since 1991 where she has been at the innovation of various library functions. From November 2012 onwards, she was appointed manager for Academic Relations and Collection Development of the KULeuven-2Bergen department. She is also a Reference Librarian for the Biomedical Sciences. She realizes that meetings such as EAHIL are very important to keep up with innovation, to meet with international colleagues for sharing experiences, knowledge and ideas. This is her basic motivation for becoming a member of the EAHIL Council.



### Candidate for Denmark

**Jette Frost Jepsen**

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**Jette Frost Jepsen** is a medical librarian at Medical Library, Aalborg University Hospital, where she has been employed since 2003. "I attended my first EAHIL-conference this summer in Rome and I experienced how valuable the exchange of knowledge is – not only among colleagues in our own country but also among European librarians and from the rest of the world. I find EAHIL very important as a forum to gather inspiration and ideas, contacts and exchange knowledge."



### Candidate for Finland

**Elise Johansson**

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**Elise Johansson** is the Information Specialist of the Medical Library at the Discipline Specific Library Protos, University of Turku, where she has been working for three years. She is also a Board member of the Finnish professional association for medical and health librarians and information professionals, *Bibliothecarii Medicinae Fenniae* (BMF). Elise considers EAHIL a valuable international platform for co-operation and networking. As a candidate for the EAHIL Council she would like to promote EAHIL and its activities, collaborate with European colleagues and share the experiences and knowledge further with colleagues in Finland.



### Candidate for Finland

**Tiina Heino**

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**Tiina Heino** has been an Information Specialist at Terkko, Medical Campus Library at the University of Helsinki since 1997. Terkko also serves Helsinki University Central Hospital personnel.

Tiina states she would like to be a Member of the Council because “she wants to enhance professional development and collegial networking, including mentoring new health information professionals. Our profession is developing fast and it is important that we can feel confident in our work. That’s how we can be creative, learn new skills, take on new roles and areas of responsibilities. We all need collegial support to get out the most of the huge capacity of our working skills.” Tiina’s main interest areas and tasks at work include information literacy, pedagogy, international cooperation and evidence based practice. She has participated actively in EAHIL conferences and workshops. In the Helsinki EAHIL 2008 conference, Tiina was the coordinator of the Working Group organizing the Continuing Education Courses.



### Candidate for Italy

**Valeria Scotti**

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Since 2009 **Valeria Scotti** has been working as a Medical Librarian at the Center for Scientific Documentation of Fondazione IRCCS Policlinico San Matteo, an important hospital in Northern Italy. She believes that working as an EAHIL Councillor would be a good chance to share knowledge and work experiences with other librarians, and also be an important part of her professional growth and personal life. As a candidate, she wishes to contribute to the European debate especially in the health and medicine area, for a better understanding of the common emerging topics in these fields.



### Candidate for Norway

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**Jannicke Lie** is a medical librarian at the Stavanger University Hospital Library, Norway and has worked there for 2 years. She sees becoming a council member of EAHIL as an exciting professional opportunity and is eager to participate in a European organization for medical libraries. As a candidate for the EAHIL council she would like to contribute through sharing experiences and by promoting EAHIL and its work.

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### Candidate for Romania

#### **Octavia-Luciana Madge**

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**Octavia-Luciana Madge** is an Associate Professor at the Library and Information Science Department in the University of Bucharest where she has worked for the last 14 years and she is also a medical doctor currently employed by the Bucharest Emergency Clinic Hospital. Starting with 2007 her research interests have focused mainly on health information, medical libraries and their users' behaviour in the process of information search and retrieval. She has attended IFLA, EAHIL, MLA and ICML conferences beginning with 2001 both as a delegate and a presenter. She is interested in international work and as a candidate for the EAHIL Council she would like to participate in the activity of this association, contribute to its cooperation actions and collaborate with European colleagues in medical libraries for the development of the profession.



### Candidate for Slovenia

#### **Vesna Cafuta**

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**Vesna Cafuta** has a BSc in Biology and has been working at the Central Medical Library of the University of Ljubljana, Slovenia for two and a half years. She is involved in developing library services and offering support to library users (literature searching, information literacy courses). As a member of the EAHIL Council she would like to continue the work of predecessors in topics related to cooperation in information literacy teaching, specialized knowledge sharing and standardization of library staff competencies.



### Candidate for Spain

#### **Rebeca Isabel Gómez**

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**Rebeca Isabel-Gómez** works as an Information & Knowledge Manager at Andalusian Health Technology Assessment Agency. She has been working in several health libraries and information centers since 2002. As a candidate for the EAHIL Council she would like to collaborate and contribute to expand the knowledge of the EAHIL Association among health librarians pointing out the importance of working together in order to achieve the best development of librarians.



### Candidate for Spain

**Alicia F. Gómez**

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**Alicia F. Gómez** is Head of the Library and Information Service at the Centro Nacional de Investigaciones Cardiovasculares (the Spanish National Cardiovascular Research Centre) in Madrid, where she has been working for 10 years. Prior to this she worked for 7 years as an Associate Professor at the University Alfonso X el Sabio in Madrid, and earlier worked at ABBOTT Diagnostika, Frankfurt, Germany for almost 2 years. She is active in many professional associations and networks in the field of Information Science Terminology (i.e. EAHIL, MLA, SEDIC, ISSI, ISKO, RiTERM and Realiter). As a member of the EAHIL Council she would foremost like to encourage professionals from Spain to join and participate more actively in EAHIL activities, and she would also work to promote cooperation and experience interchanges, not only between EAHIL members but also between other national and international associations.



### Candidate for Spain

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**Virgili Paez** is Head of the Virtual Health Sciences Library of the Balearic Islands (Bibliosalut) since 2003, a digital library for health professionals of the Public Health System of the Balearic Islands (Majorca, Minorca, Ibiza and Formentera). He has been working in health libraries for 25 years. He is working with his team for the continuous improvement and the development of his library, with the planning of new services and the implementation of new resources of scientific information. He is very interested in the use of the ICT in health libraries. He believes that he could contribute with his experience as a new member of the EAHIL Council.



### Candidate for Spain

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**Veronica Juan Quillis** is Director of the Andalusian Public Health System Virtual Library. She has been working in medical libraries since 1984, when she began working in the Faculty of Medicine of the University of Alicante. From 1994 to 2005 she worked as the Director of the Technical School Library (University of Alicante). In 2005 she was designated as the Director of the Andalusian Public Health System Virtual Library Director. Veronica intends to be a representative of a Health Virtual Library Model for one of the 17 Spanish Regions, with 95.000 users. She is MD, PhD, and librarian, and she is a Professor at the University Jaume I of Castellón (Spain).

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### Candidate for Sweden

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**Sara Janzen** is working as a librarian at the Customer service & Communication department at Karolinska Institutets university library in Stockholm. Most of the time she is working with communication issues, mainly as an editor for the library website. Formerly she has coordinated the library's virtual customer support. The users need is a key interest, whether it is UX for the web or how we interact with them in the information desk. Sara has been active in the Local Organizing Committee for EBLIP5 and the EAHIL workshop 2013 and sees international collaborations such as EAHIL Council as a way to move the profession forward while sharing experiences and learning from each other.



### Candidate for Sweden

**Marie Folkesson Jonsson**

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**Marie Folkesson Jonsson** has held the post of Head of the Hospital Library at Växjö General Hospital, which is part of Landstinget Kronoberg, for three years. This County Council run hospital is situated in the south of Sweden. Before taking up her post, she was for four years, Head of Library Catalogues in a public library and she also managed a project involving the creation of a new database collecting material covering local history. Her work is now part of the National Library catalogue of Sweden.

Marie believes strongly in team work, and that the most important for development in our field, with regard to information science, is that we work together and generously share experiences, knowledge and ideas. One person has one idea, two people have two ideas and through discussion a third idea might arise.

As librarians we are the hub of a new way of organizing and retrieving information, and here the Internet plays a vital part in sharing and spreading this information in these new ways of communicating. Marie believes that we need creativity and knowledge to take advantage of the endless possibilities that are available to us by this new technology – and that we, can obtain far better results by working together as a profession.

Marie would like to be a member of the EAHIL Council because she feels it would give her the possibility to inspire and assist, with more interaction and collaboration between librarians in the field of expertise, namely health and medicine.



### Candidate for Sweden

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**Yvonne Hultman Özek** is a Senior Librarian and has been working at the Faculty of Medicine at Lund University since 2000. Yvonne has also worked in the U.S. and Norway. She is currently the leader for Team support to researchers and PhD students and is also the course leader for a compulsory PhD course in Scientific Communication at the faculty. Upon assignment from the Postgraduate studies, she is also giving support for PhD students in using and writing in their portfolios. The main focus of her team is to support researchers in their entire scientific investigation – from searching the literature to the dissemination of research results, with special focus on Open Access. In her team, Health Technology Assessment (HTA) projects, in cooperation with University Hospitals, are included. Yvonne's current interest is to improve knowledge of the qualitative inquiry, its methods and various data analyses with the aim to improve the support for researchers using these methods. Yvonne has presented papers at various conferences as well as giving lectures in seminars and courses for Post-docs and researchers. By becoming a member of the EAHIL council she would like to exchange ideas and learn as well as to contribute further to the development of the profession. The EAHIL events are excellent educational opportunities for the librarians in health and medicine in their professional journey.



### Candidate for Sweden

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I work with user education at the Biomedical Library, Gothenburg University Library. I am interested in developing better methods for teaching information literacy, both in the classroom and online. Researcher support is another matter that I would like to develop more at my institution. I think EAHIL is a perfect forum for us to share experiences and learn from one another, a forum for professional development.



### Candidate for Sweden

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**Margareta Sundin** is a librarian at the Medical Library, a branch library of the Umeå University Library, Sweden. She has been working as a part of the Educational Team at the Medical Library since 2008. Working as a member of the EAHIL Council will give her good possibilities to network with colleagues in Europe. She sees the importance of sharing experiences and to collaborate with other librarians for the development of the profession.

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### Candidate for Sweden

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**Linda Thorn** is a Medical Librarian at Uppsala University Library. She has worked at medical libraries for thirteen years and has extensive experience in all tasks within a library. In recent years she has worked mainly with acquisition and teaching. Since she is engaged in issues concerning the future of libraries, she sees an international engagement as an opportunity to both contribute with own experiences and learn from others. She thinks that sharing experiences within the field is invaluable for the development of health and medical libraries. Linda is active in the University Librarians' Union at a local level.



### Candidate for UK

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**Deirdre Beecher** is the Trials Search Co-ordinator for the Cochrane Injuries Group at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine. She first joined the Cochrane Collaboration in 2007 when she worked with the Cochrane Multiple Sclerosis Group in Milan. Her main professional interest is in search methodology for systematic reviews. Deirdre is interested in being a member of the Council as she is interested in encouraging more collaboration between health information professionals both internationally and nationally.



### Candidate for UK

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**Anne Donnelly** is the Academic Support Librarian for the School of Biomedical Sciences of the College of Medicine & Veterinary Medicine at the University of Edinburgh, and also for the School of Philosophy, Psychology & Language Sciences in the University's College of Humanities and Social Science. Anne has worked in the University's medical libraries – in both academic and hospital settings – since 1997, during which time she has played a key role in ensuring that library resources and services are meeting the needs of users.

She recently attended her very first EAHIL conference, where she thoroughly enjoyed making new connections with other EAHIL members. She would now like to follow this up by taking a more active role in, and making a more substantial contribution to the Association in the future. Indeed, as part of this endeavour she has recently taken on the role of co-chair of the local organising committee for next year's EAHIL Workshop in Edinburgh.



### Candidate for UK

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**Isla Kuhn** is currently Deputy Medical Librarian, and from November 2014 will be the Medical Librarian, at the University of Cambridge Medical Library. She joined the team in Cambridge in 2005, and in this time has been involved in supporting librarian CPD through 23Things programmes, 10 days of twitter, and teaching-the-teachers events. Teaching library users is a significant part of her role, as well as delivering high quality customer service to the varied users of the library. Isla has attended four EAHIL conferences since 2008, and contributed to workshops and papers at 3 of them (Helsinki, Istanbul and Brussels). Isla sees working as an EAHIL Councillor as an exciting opportunity to extend internationally the collaboration she is already involved in at a local and regional level.



### Candidate for UK

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My name is **Helen Buckley Woods** and I am an Information Specialist at The University of Sheffield, School of Health and Related Research (ScHARR) in the UK. I have been an information professional for fourteen years and worked in health information for nine years. During this time, I have become conversant with the breadth of health information roles, particularly through conducting work for the CILIP Library and Information Research Group, attending EAHIL and other conferences and working as a CILIP Health Libraries Group committee member. I have worked as a library assistant and in supervisory roles in public and further education libraries. I have experience of working as a subject librarian in a higher education library and now work in an “embedded role” at ScHARR. My principal activity is to identify evidence for systematic reviews, working as part of multi-disciplinary research teams. I have a higher education teaching qualification and as part of my role teach on master’s programmes and short courses for health professionals; focussing on research methods, evidence identification for systematic reviews and critical appraisal of health research. I am also conducting my own research as part of my Doctorate in Education which commenced in 2012.

I would like to contribute more to the EAHIL community by working as a councillor. I believe in the power of EAHIL as a professional network to facilitate international connections, knowledge sharing and the enhancement of our professional lives.