

### Letter from the President



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Dear EAHIL Colleagues,

I'm writing this Letter from the garden of our summer cottage in rural southern Sweden, where I also participated in the 2021 Istanbul Workshop. The Workshop was a success, and I am very impressed by how quickly the EAHIL community has adapted to the digital solutions and continued our meetings and networking. Even though I appreciated being able to sit in my garden for the Workshop, in my opinion, nothing beats meeting face to face. I think I can speak for most of us in wishing that many of us will be able to meet in Rotterdam next year. At the closing ceremony, we saw two very inspiring and attractive videos from our upcoming meetings in Rotterdam 2022 and Trondheim 2023, and I'm already looking forward to participating.

Planning an international event is a task that takes a lot of effort and must be initiated well in advance of the event. To ensure that our long list of successful events continues beyond 2023, the EAHIL Executive Board is looking for bids to organise the 2024 and following events. Please check the [Guidelines for conference & workshop organisers](#) for information on how to prepare a bid. You will also find a map of the previous event locations on the page, which might prompt you into action.

At the Council meeting in Istanbul, we had a follow-up interactive session from the previous Council meeting in Basel. At the Basel meeting, the EAHIL Board asked for input from Council members on how EAHIL as a whole (not only the Executive Board and Council) could act on the five objectives for the organisation listed in the EAHIL statutes. The session in Istanbul took the discussion further and resulted in a list of suggestions, which will be on the agenda for the next meeting of the Executive Board.

Many of the ideas from the Basel Council meeting were about communication, connecting with other members, building relationships, collaboration, and the visibility of EAHIL. Our organisation has several communication channels, and our Communications officer Petra Björk has great ambitions regarding the level of activity in our different channels. As Communications officer Petra can post information from the Board to all members and interested stakeholders, but to take our communication to the next level, make EAHIL more visible and enhance possibilities for collaboration, we need you, the EAHIL members, to assist with content. Don't hesitate to contact Petra ([petra.bjork@ki.se](mailto:petra.bjork@ki.se)) if you have ideas or content for our channels. Let's make the EAHIL channels more active together to maintain the EAHIL spirit between events.