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This September issue is entirely dedicated to the EAHIL 2024 Conference “Small step and a giant leap: reorienting towards a new environment”, which took place in Riga, at the National Library of Latvia on 11-14 June 2024.

The three feature articles which open the issue are written by the authors who received the EAHIL awards for Best Oral Presentation, Best Interactive Workshop Overall and Best Poster Presentation.

These are excellent articles which we are sure you will find of great interest:

- *Development of a competency framework for health information specialists in the Netherlands* by Chantal den Haan, Erica Wilthagen, Arjan Malekzadeh, Ingrid ter Hoeven, Marc van Kuik, Stevie van der Mierden and Hans Ket;
- *Lift off to leadership: elevate your impact by cultivating skills and mindset for working with senior leaders. Reflective highlights from EAHIL 2024* by Jamie M. Gray and Nicole Capdarest-Arest;
- *Contribution to the sustainability of the library in terms of climate change using the example of the acquisition department of a medical library* by Aleksandra Guziątek and Justyna Kopiec.

The authors of the award for Best Contribution by a First-time Attendee in any category, *Playing games @ KU Leuven* - Interactive workshop led by Anouk D’Hont with co-presenter Thomas Vandendriessche, are publishing their study on another journal and we will be delighted to read their paper when published.

“The amount of work done to organise EAHIL 2024 conference in Riga seems insurmountable” writes Kristīne Kuzņecova, LOC and IPC member, in her report on the Memories of EAHIL 2024 Conference published in this issue, “Looking back at such a long and intensive period in our lives feels surreal. But it happened, and here is how”. In reading her report and the following pages dedicated to the enthusiastic reports and memories from scholarship recipients, first timers and other participants, we have the feeling of what a great event that was. An event which unfortunately I missed but whose recollection will be preserved in *JEAHIL* as all the other conferences, workshops and events since the very first steps moved by the association. For the new members of EAHIL I wish to remind once again that the whole collection of the Journal and of the previous Newsletter is online, and that all past issues have been digitized.

In this issue, the call for nomination for EAHIL Council Election in 2024 follows the Letter from the President, while the column on Publication and New Products keeps us constantly informed and updated in the profession.

I wish to thank Fiona Brown and Katri Larmo, members of *JEAHIL* Editorial Board, who participated in the Riga Conference and helped me collecting the contributions in this issue.

I’m really happy to inform you that in 2024 a new member joined *JEAHIL* Editorial Board: David Ozura. David is head of the library at the Institute of Oncology Ljubljana, a member of the Slovenian consortium

negotiating group for international scientific publishers, a member of the Expert Body for International Scientific Literature (medical field) at the Slovenian Research And Innovation Agency, and editor of the Slovenian open access journal for oncology *Onkologija*. On behalf of the other *JEAHIL* members, I would like to heartily thank him. Welcome onboard David! Hopefully more members will be willing to join us!

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The December issue (2024) will be a no theme issue. Therefore, we invite you to submit papers for publication falling into the different areas of interest of the journal.

The March issue (2025) will publish a monographic section on Global Health and will be edited by Teresa Lee (International Agency for Research on Cancer, World Health Organization, France) and Maria-Inti Metzendorf (Heinrich-Heine-University, Düsseldorf, Germany). Gerhard Bissels was a great help in contacting guest-editors and I would like to thank him for this. If you wish to contribute to the March 2025 issue on Global Health please contact Teresa Lee at LeeT@iarc.fr or Maria-Inti Metzendorf at maria-inti.metzendorf@med.uni-duesseldorf.de.

I hope you will enjoy reading this issue of *JEAHIL* in these last days of Summer.

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