

## **Application for SESAM President Elect Position**

Dear SESAM members!

My name is Marc Lazarovici and I am currently serving on the EC as SESAM treasurer. I write to you to inform you of my application for the SESAM President Elect position.



### **My vision for SESAM's future and the role I hope to play in it.**

Over the past two years I have had the opportunity to work within the highly professional and dedicated group of people currently serving as your EC. This has allowed me to gain a deeper understanding of SESAM and the importance of strong leadership and continuity to move forward many of the vital aspects of our work. This deeper understanding and a wish to continue to serve the needs of SESAM and its members has compelled me to apply for the role of President Elect.

I strongly believe we need to continue to position SESAM, our society, as a key professional partner in simulation based education in Europe, but also in other parts of the world. Our strong inter-professional core and international focus offer a solid basis for future development. We already have a unique role in the European and global simulation and education community and play a crucial role in developing and supporting various forms of medical education.

Through existing programs and the creation of new ones, we have managed to establish SESAM as a reputable society in the eyes of our international and industry partners. A surge of momentum in the development of SESAM as a society has been created through activities such as the accreditation program, the newly founded forum for industrial partners and the focused expansion of international affiliations and collaborations. In order to continue to optimize SESAM's service to its members, it is of vital importance that this momentum is maintained.

As part of the current EC, I have worked hard to contribute to the restructuring of our infrastructure, procedures and knowledge management. This allowing SESAM to serve its members and partners in a more professional way whilst establishing opportunities to increase engagement of members and partners in the further development of our society. I strongly believe that the heartbeat of our society is its members and its successes are directly to your contributions.

Establishing the financial security of SESAM is paramount to ensure that it can serve its members. The year following the 2017 conference has been challenging. I, together with the EC, have worked hard to find solutions that minimized losses. In addition I have focused to provide strong fiscal leadership to ensure a healthy and balanced budget for 2018. In order to assure banking and tax procedures I have worked closely with Worldspan, thus ensuring the future financial stability of our society.

My personal involvement with SESAM as a society has deepened in the last years, being a part of the EC has allowed me to contribute my ideas and visions for the society's development. I am confident that my experience and abilities will serve the society well if I were to be elected as president elect. Not only will I ensure that we continue to implement the projects we have been working on, but I will provide important continuity, leadership, mentorship and guidance for newly elected EC members.

### **My Background**

I'm 47 years old, and I currently lead the Human Simulation Center at the University Clinic of the Ludwig-Maximilians University in Munich. My clinical background is in internal and emergency medicine. I got my medical degree in Munich and did my practical training in Munich and Paris. I also studied computer science in Hagen, which greatly helped me in understanding and developing technical concepts for simulation centers. I have been working in medical simulation since 2004, with a special interest in interprofessional education.

I am very actively involved in strengthening international cooperation between centers and national and international societies. In addition I am Co-Chair of the Accreditation group and have been instrumental in the implementation of the very successful accreditation process. My main focus in this activity is currently Italy, Central and Eastern Europe as well as Asia, where I am very active in the establishment of medical simulation as an educational method.

Sincerely yours,  
Marc Lazarovici