

Application for the position of Secretary

Dear SESAM members,

My name is Pier Luigi Ingrassia and I would like to apply for the secretary position within SESAM's Executive Committee.

Simulation is an educational strategy that is becoming the standard of practice in healthcare education globally. I believe SESAM is expanding in Europe day by day aiming at becoming the portal of the European healthcare simulation pedagogy and learning environments.



As a SESAM member, I value both high-quality research output and constant readiness for service. I have published extensively on simulation, including more than 40 peer-reviewed journal papers, the first scenario case book about high-fidelity simulation in Italy, 3 chapters in translated volumes. My focus has always been on building and maintaining (academic) connections and professional opportunities for fellows and educators at national and international level.

My personal cooperation with SESAM as a society has deepened in the last years, as I was involved in the organization of the SESAM 2020 conference. In this role I got the opportunity to work closely with the current EC and to gain a certain insight in its structure and operations. If elected to the position, in the next two years I will try with all my capacities to create new, significant initiatives for SESAM members, while strengthening the existing ones, in order to better unite European simulationists within the broader domain of global education through projects that include but are not limited to:

- Organizing and supporting international conferences, workshops, and seminars;
- Develop new opportunities to gather experts in simulation but also novices to expand the culture of patient safety;
- Promoting cooperation between SESAM and other international societies and organizations;
- Expanding membership, growing the interprofessional base of the society and attracting new funding for SESAM;
- Supporting young SESAM members in their professional development and academic appointment;
- defining and implementing the society's accreditation and certification process;
- Integrating resources for information and communication technologies to increase the global visibility of all relevant simulation initiatives in and out of Europe.

My Background

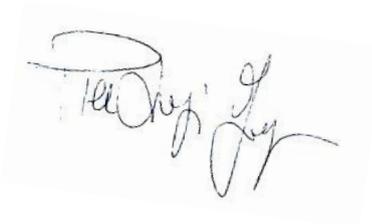
Started in Italian NHS hospitals as resident in Anaesthesiology and Intensive Care. Developed great interest in Emergency Medicine and Disaster response. Had personal commitment in effective emergency medical assistance experiences with national and international institutions. Developed further into technical officer in emergency medical systems for the Regional Office for Europe of

World Health Organization. Evolved the role into lecturer in disaster medicine and disaster education at university level, designing courses in emergency response and disaster relief. Co-founder of Research Centre in Emergency and Disaster Medicine at the Università del Piemonte Orientale.

In the current role at Università del Piemonte Orientale I am leading the Simulation Centre in Health Science and doing research in the field of simulation-based learning and teaching. I lectured in many national and international scientific congresses and I am author of more than 45 research articles published in peer review journals (see <https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/?term=ingrassia+pl>). In March 2017 I obtained the "National Academic Qualification as Associate Professor" in the sector 06/L1 (Anesthesiology).

I have been Secretary and President of the EMDM Alumni Association in the term 2005-2009. I am currently active member of the Board of Directors of the Italian society of medical simulation (SIMMED). I am the founder of the SIMCUP[®], an innovative simulation-based training event in the format of competition which is currently the biggest national meeting about simulation in Italy.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Piero Ingrassia', is written on a light-colored rectangular background.