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ECPC President

Italian Federation of Cancer Patients
Organisations (FAVO) - Italy

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Francesco De Lorenzo is a colon cancer survivor, medical doctor and has been a professor of biochemistry at the University Federico II Naples. He has a rich experience in cancer advocacy, being the co-founder, former Vice-President and the current President of the European Cancer Patient Coalition (ECPC). He is also the founder and President of the Italian Association of Cancer Patients (AIMaC), Italy's first Cancer Information Service, and of the Italian Federation of Cancer Patients Organisations (FAVO). Francesco De Lorenzo is also active in Italy's governmental network of cancer Institutes (ACC), Italy's National Cancer Plan Committee, and National Volunteer Observatory of the Italian Welfare Ministry. Francesco De Lorenzo was also engaged in Italian politics as a member of parliament and held several ministerial mandates.

At the European and international level, Francesco De Lorenzo is:

- Board member of Cancer Core Europe
- Board member of the Cancer Drug Development Forum
- ECPC representative within the EU Innovative Partnership Action Against Cancer
- ECPC representative within the EU Joint Action on Rare Cancers
- Member of the General Assembly of the Worldwide Innovative Networking (WIN) Consortium
- Member of the Patient Advisory Group of the PREFER project
- Member of the Science Policy Committee of the European Academy of Cancer Sciences

Kathi Apostolidis ECPC Vice President



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Hellenic Cancer Federation- ELL.O.K.-
Greece

Kathi is the Vice President of ECPC-European Cancer Patient Coalition and the President of the Executive Committee of ELL.O.K., the Hellenic Cancer Federation/Greece. Kathi is a Public Affairs Consultant with broad and diversified experience in regulatory and public affairs, diplomacy, strategy, marketing and communications with international companies and public service. Jointly with the President, she is responsible for strategy, strategic alliances, relations with the European Commission and other EU and national high-level cancer stakeholders.

Kathi represents ECPC at:

- the EMA's Patients and Consumers Working Group;
- the European Commission Expert Group on Cancer Control together with ECPC President;
- the Expert Group ECIBC/QASDG EU Initiative on Breast Cancer;
- the European Commission Working Group on mHealth Assessment Guidelines;
- Work Packages of the EU Joint Action on Cancer Control;
- Cancer Patients Working Group within ESMO;
- Steering Committee of the HTAI's Patients and Citizens Involvement Group;
- eSMART Project as Project Lead;
- Scientific Advisory Board of TRANSCAN II.

As a twice breast cancer survivor, Kathi was involved in breast cancer, survivorship and cancer patient rights advocacy for the last 25 years. Her advocacy covers issues of access to cancer care, informed shared decision making in cancer care, patient involvement in cancer research, health and cancer care policy and economics, cancer care delivery,

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*Jana Pelouchova
ECPC Secretary
Diagnoza Leukemie - Czech Republic*

patient safety, health technology assessment, digital technology in cancer care. At national level she serves

as Board Member at KEFI Association of Cancer Patients, Volunteers and Physicians in Greece and as Director/ Member of other Greek cancer patient associations.

Kathi is an active user of social media in healthcare:

Twitter:@kgapo, **FB:** Kathi Apostolidis - #opnhealth,

Blog: <http://epatientgr.wordpress.com>, **Pinterest:** kgapo

**Jana Pelouchova
ECPC Secretary**

Jana is a chronic myeloid leukemia patient on treatment for 14 years. Challenges of living with CML led her, in 2006, to become the founder and chairperson of Diagnoza CML patient organisation in Czech Republic, evolving in 2014 into Diagnoza Leukemie patient society, addressing patients with all types of leukemias. The need for sharing and learning experiences in advocacy was the reason she became the co-founder of the CML Advocates Network (2007) and president of the Swiss-based Leukaemia Patient Advocates Foundation. Recently, she became a member of the Steering Committee of the newly established global network CLL AN (chronic lymphocytic leukemia). Jana is an ECPC Board Member and Secretary since 2011. As a rare cancer advocate she also represents ECPC in the Rare Cancers Europe. For a second election period she is a member of the ECCO PAC. Besides gaining access to therapies in hemato-oncology she is focused on improving methods of patient education and adherence to oral anti-cancer drugs.

**Andrew Winterbottom
ECPC Treasurer**



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ECPC Treasurer
Fight Bladder Cancer - United Kingdom*

Andrew was diagnosed with a Stage 4 bladder cancer in 2009 and almost immediately after major surgery, set up the UK charity Fight Bladder Cancer as the first patient advocacy group in the UK for bladder cancer patients and their families. The charity, under Andrew's direction, has grown to be a significant voice for bladder cancer across the UK and more recently across Europe, where he has helped to draft the recent Bladder Cancer White paper that has been launched in April 2016. Andrew is also a representative of the UK National Cancer Institute's Bladder Cancer Clinical Studies group and two specialist sub groups for invasive and non-invasive bladder cancer. In addition, he has also been the patient specialist representative on the NICE panel developing the latest UK Bladder Cancer Quality Standards and a patient advisor to the Scottish Medicines Coalition.

**Matti Järvinen
ECPC Board Member**



*Matti Järvinen
ECPC Board Member
Association of Cancer Patients in Finland - Finland*

Matti Järvinen is a lymphoma patient, now five years in remission. He is a board member in the Association of Cancer Patients in Finland. He made his professional career as the managing director of the Finnish Central Organisation for road safety prevention and education. He has wide national and international experience in communication, strategic planning, administration and advocacy. As a new Board member of ECPC Matti wants to strengthen the communication with members and bring Nordic approaches to it. He is in favour of practical, concrete and innovative solutions which are based on good knowledge of local circumstances and challenges

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*-Chairman and Board Member of Europa Uomo European
-Secretary of the Prostrate Cancer Support Federation – Tackle Prostrate Cancer UK
-Chairman of APPLE (Charity No 1086824)
UK Local support group UK*



*Maude Andersson
ECPC Board Member*

-GYNSAM – The Gynaecological Cancer Patients National Coalition in Sweden

Ken Mastris ECPC Board Member

Ken Mastris is a prostate cancer patient and patient-advocate, committed to promote patients' equality in cancer treatment and better quality of life for cancer patients, in the UK and in all Europe. He is dedicated to patient-advocacy and he aims at ensuring that cancer patients receive the right treatment at the right time, without suffering any additional stress during the complex medical procedures. He strongly believes in treating each patient as an individual, whose point of view and voice shall be carefully listened by health professionals. Ken is also involved in educating men to recognise symptoms and signals of prostate cancer, in order to maximise the chances of early diagnosis. Before retiring from BT in 2005, Ken worked in management for 43 years: he has been part of the Committee of management of Benenden Healthcare Society Limited and of the Board of Governors of the Hospital, but he has also been Chairman of the Internal Audit Committee and Director of the Friends of Benenden.

In line with ECPC Statute, the Audit Committee is elected by ECPC General Assembly among its Members. The three Audit Committee Members remain in charge for three years. The Audit Committee is responsible to oversee the financial management of ECPC, approving ECPC Budgets.

Maude Andersson ECPC Board Member

Maude Andersson is a gynecological cancer patient survivor for 17 years. She is the Vice-President of the National Cancer Patients Coalition in Sweden – Gynsam. She is also the Editor of their member journal Gynsamposten.

She has worked as an engineer for Ericsson worldwide company for 30 years. She has also worked at the University of Karlstad, the Department of Physics and Electrical Engineering. Maude is a patient representative in the Regional Cancer Centers (RCC) in Sweden – the Gynecological Cancer Group, the Palliative Group, the Contact Nurse Group, Patient and Associate Group, and the Rehabilitation Group. She is also a member of the Disability Board in the County Council in Värmland. Last but not least, she is the President of Gynsam's member association GCF Musslan in Sweden.

As a new Board member of ECPC, Maude wants to work with the rare cancer issues, HPV-vaccination for boys, continue writing a book about cancer side effects, as well as continue working with Nordic Sister Organizations and address common questions at the ECPC and EU level.

ECPC's AUDIT COMMITTEE

Pietro Presti

ECPC Audit Committee Member- Cyprus



*Pietro Presti
Audit Committee Chair - Italy*

Born in Turin, Italy, Pietro Presti is a dynamic and goal-oriented manager with a broad experience in healthcare sector, especially in oncology, including prevention, screening, cancer control and research. Pietro is a Managing Director at "Edo ed Elvo Tempia" Foundation, an Italian private foundation, primarily involved in cancer prevention and screening, palliative care, psycho-oncology and research in oncogenomics. Pietro has also been an active member of Union for International Cancer Control (UICC) since May 2007. He is also CEO at im3D Clinic Scarl, a university spin-off operating in the field of oncological screening and prevention, based on medical imaging technologies dedicated to the early diagnosis and prevention of colorectal cancer and breast cancer. Pietro has a substantial experience in strategic and sustainable business development, international projects and institutional relationships, as well as possess an important track record of managing and scaling complex and innovative projects and public-private partnerships.

Nicolas Philippou

ECPC Audit Committee Member- Cyprus



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Audit Committee Member -
Cyprus*

Nicolas serves as a General Manager of The Cyprus Association of Cancer Patients and Friends (PASYKAF) since 2010. His values have been to be patient centered, goal oriented, transparent and professional, with the aim to grow the organization and be able to create impact towards achieving best patients' outcomes. Personally, Nicolas has a business background, holding a BA in Management and an MBA in Finance. He has 10 years of experience in the private sector, including two international companies with operations in Cyprus, Greece and the UK. These positions gave Nicolas an opportunity to work in diverse environments, cooperating and communicating with people from all calibre and professional backgrounds. In 2014 he was elected as the General Secretary of the Cyprus Patients Federation, an umbrella organization member of EPF and he has an excellent working relation with colleagues and board members from other European and International Cancer Associations.

Istvan Balogh

ECPC Audit Committee Member - Hungary



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Audit Committee Member – Hungary*

He has been a President of the Children Cancer Foundation for over ten years. His commitment, broad experience, as well as economic background and leadership skills have ensured a success and confident future for the organization, where Istvan is responsible for coordinating economic matters, planning budgets, conducting analysis, research and more. Thanks to his expertise, legal knowledge and engagement, Istvan is also a board member of several organizations in Hungary and in the USA.

Scientific Committee

The composition of the new Scientific Committee is the following:

Prof. Dr. Louis Denis

Oncology Centre Antwerp (OCA)

BELGIUM

Prof. Neil K. Aaronson

Department of Psychosocial Research, Division of Psychosocial Research & Epidemiology

NETHERLANDS

Prof. Athanasios Dimopoulos

Dean of Athens University, EKPA

GREECE

Prof. Mark Lawler

Queen's University Belfast

NORTHERN IRELAND

Prof. Francesco Perrone

Istituto Nazionale Tumori di Napoli

National Cancer Institute of Naples "G. Pascale"

ITALY