


2018 EAHIL Council Election - Candidate Statement		
<i>Country</i>	ITALY	
<i>Name</i>	VALERIA SCOTTI	
<i>Affiliation</i>	FONDAZIONE POLICLINICO IRCCS SAN MATTEO OF PAVIA	
<i>My professional education and experience</i>	<p>She graduated in Political Sciences at the University of Pavia; since 2009 has been working as a Health Information Librarian at IRCCS Policlinico San Matteo Foundation, an important research institute and hospital in Northern Italy. In these years, she lectured in several courses on bibliometric indicators, bibliographic research, systematic reviews, and on various health information topics. In August 2015, she became a member of the Altmetrics Ambassador team. At the same time she has become part of EAHIL council as an Italian representative. During the EAHIL workshop held in Seville in the 2017 along with another colleague, founded a sub group - EVALUATION AND METRICS GROUP- dedicated to the study of research impact and its measurement.</p>	
<i>What I think is special about EAHIL</i>	<p>She believes that being an EAHIL Councillor would be a good chance to share knowledge and work experiences with other librarians, and be an important part of her professional growth and personal life.</p>	
<i>What I expect to contribute to EAHIL Council</i>	<p>As a candidate for the EAHIL Council, she would like to collaborate and contribute to expand the knowledge of the EAHIL Association among health librarians, pointing out the importance of working together in order to achieve the best development of librarians. In addition, she wishes to contribute to the European debate especially in the health and medicine area, for a better understanding of the common emerging topics in these fields.</p>	
<i>What I think are the most important issues for European health information professionals in 2019-2022</i>	<p>We are increasingly experiencing the transition from a "paper" to a "digital" society.</p> <p>Librarians need to be more skilled, trained, almost forerunner, to keep up with these developments, and libraries must learn to do better to ensure their survival in the digital age and in the future. For this reason, in addition to the constant updating and quality of training, we should provide recognition at European level to our skills and professionalism, especially in those countries where the professional role of the medical librarian has not yet been recognized (for example: Italy).</p> <p>For libraries, the future is now. We cannot afford to lose our cultural heritage. We must be creative and keep up.</p>	
<i>My one-line statement for my election campaign</i>	<p>The job of the librarian is the most beautiful in the world, and we must defend it to pass it on to future generations.</p>	