

2018 EAHIL Council Election - Candidate Statement		
Country	ROMANIA	
Name	MADGE OCTAVIA-LUCIANA	
Affiliation	Associate Professor, University of Bucharest	
My professional education and experience	<p>I am currently associate professor at the University of Bucharest, Department of Communication Sciences where I have worked since 2000 and the editor-in-chief of the journal <i>Studii de Biblioteconomie și Știința Informării</i> [Library and Information Science Research] published by the same institution. I teach courses on knowledge management, information users, reference services, quality management in the transfer of information and theory of information behaviour and I am a PhD supervisor in communication sciences at the Doctoral School of Communication Sciences. My undergraduate degrees (BA and MA) are in library and information science and my PhD (2006) is on Knowledge Management and the Info-documentary Structures at the University of Bucharest. I also graduated from the Medical School (MD) and I worked at the Bucharest Emergency Clinical Hospital until I got the specialist certificate as Family Physician and then in 2017 in the Emergency Department of the same hospital during the second specialty programme as Emergency Physician. For five years I also worked in research in the Surgery Clinic I of the Oncology Institute Bucharest and I defended my PhD (2015) on the Surgical Stenting of the Bilio-Digestive Anastomoses at the Carol Davila University of Medicine and Pharmacy Bucharest.</p> <p>Starting with 2007 my research interests in the LIS field have focused mainly on health information, medical libraries and their users' behaviour in the search and retrieval of information. I attended IFLA, EAHIL, MLA and ICML conferences beginning with 2001 presenting papers and posters at most of them. My first EAHIL meeting was the Workshop in Krakow in 2007, and since then I have participated in other six EAHIL events. I have served EAHIL as Council member for Romania (2015-2018). After one year (2016-2017) as a corresponding member of the Standing Committee of the IFLA Section <i>Health and Biosciences Libraries</i>, I am currently the representative of EAHIL in this IFLA committee for the term 2017-2021.</p>	
What I think is special about EAHIL	It brings together specialists in health information from all the European countries and from other countries in the world and provides a forum for professional debates, and development of the profession	

<i>What I expect to contribute to EAHIL Council</i>	I would contribute to the association actions in increasing the collaboration between European health sciences librarians and colleagues from around the world and I would also promote participation in the common efforts of EAHIL members to bring forward and strengthen our profession.
<i>What I think are the most important issues for European health information professionals in 2019-2022</i>	Keep updated and learn from their colleagues, work together in order to deliver better information services, refine and renew their roles and promote their contribution to health care sector, higher education and society
<i>My one-line statement for my election campaign</i>	Share your knowledge and expertise, embrace the new, collaborate, cooperate to make health information services better and better!