


2018 EAHIL Council Election - Candidate Statement		
<i>Country</i>	United Kingdom	
<i>Name</i>	Mala Mann	
<i>Affiliation</i>	Cardiff University	
<i>My professional education and experience</i>	<p>I have over 20 years' experience as an information specialist and systematic reviewer. I am involved in all aspects of systematic reviewing and have been involved in carrying out wide range of systematic reviews and other evidence synthesis projects in public health, clinical and social science. I am a Member of the Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals (MCLIP) formally the Institute of Information Scientists (MIInfSc). My expertise is in advanced literature searching, critical appraisal and synthesis of research findings. I have published widely and co-authored over 60 publications. I teach on a number of internal and external programmes including Cardiff Researcher Programme, Cardiff University Doctoral Academy and MSc/Diploma in Clinical Research programme and SURE Systematic Review Course.</p>	
<i>What I think is special about EAHIL</i>	<p>EAHIL is special as it is not only an association of information professionals from across Europe but from all over the world. It's a good forum to share ideas, experiences and good practice.</p>	
<i>What I expect to contribute to EAHIL Council</i>	<p>I would like to strengthen activities in relation to Continuing Education, specifically regards to systematic reviews and other evidence syntheses. I hope to be able to share my knowledge and experience but also expand my knowledge of the library profession through learning from other Council members.</p>	
<i>What I think are the most important issues for European health information professionals in 2019-2022</i>	<p>Due to the changing role of health information professionals, I would consider the following issues being of importance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • acquire skills and expertise that make information professionals as valuable research partners; • increase visibility and promote our services; • explore customers' needs, adapt the service, and set customer expectations; • information retrieval - creating better systems and improved methods • skills, knowledge of emerging technologies; • demonstrate expertise within evidence-based practice. 	
<i>My one-line statement for my election campaign</i>	<p>Empowering librarians to embrace change for limitless is our potential.</p>	