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### **Professional background**

I am currently an associate professor at the University of Bucharest, Faculty of Letters, Department of Communication Sciences and a PhD supervisor at the Doctoral School of Communication Sciences. I also work as a medical doctor at the 1<sup>st</sup> Clinic of General and Oncological Surgery of the Oncology Institute Bucharest. I graduated from the Library and Information Science Programme (BA, 1999 and MA, 2000) and the Medical School (MD, 2009) and I have a PhD (2006) in Knowledge Management at the University of Bucharest and a PhD (2016) in General Surgery at the Carol Davila University of Medicine and Pharmacy Bucharest.

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 1<sup>st</sup> term and 2019-2022 2<sup>nd</sup> term). After one year (2016-2017) as a corresponding member of the Standing Committee of the IFLA Section *Health and Biosciences Libraries*, I am currently the representative of EAHIL in this IFLA committee for the term 2017-2021.

### **Professional interests**

I am mainly interested in raising the awareness among health care professionals and students on the necessity for health information knowledge and skills, but also information and knowledge management, and building bridges between the various practices in this respect between countries.

### **Aims for EAHIL**

If elected to the EAHIL Board I would bring my contribution 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.