EAHIL Council Election - Candidate Statement		
Country	Bosnia and Herzegovina	
Name	Josip Šimić	
Affiliation	University of Mostar, Faculty of Health Studies	
My professional education and experience	<ul> <li>PhD in Library and information science at the University of Mostar, and Master of Library Science from the University of Mostar.</li> <li>I work as a Librarian and Assistant Professor at the Faculty of Health Studies, University of Mostar.</li> <li>Since 2003 I have been working in the library of the Faculty of Health Studies, University of Mostar, and since 2014 at the Department of Scientific Research Methodology at the same Faculty.</li> <li>I was collaborator in several researches in the field of library and information science and health science;</li> <li>President of the Organizing Committee of the Symposium "Dissemination of Scientific Information in Medicine" 2016 and President of the Organizing Committee of the Science and Scientific Communication" Mostar 2020;</li> <li>Co-founder of the Association of Librarians of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina.</li> <li>My research interests are: Research data sharing, Bibliometrics, Transparency and research methodologies, Information literacy.</li> </ul>	
What I think is special about EAHIL	EAHIL is an important association that guarantees the development of librarians and health information specialists in most European countries. It encourages cooperation among librarians, the exchange of new knowledge and ultimately raises the quality of work.	
What I expect to contribute to EAHIL Council	Continue to work on what my predecessor did, which is to share "EAHIL" ideas and information with librarians from Bosnia and Herzegovina. Bring together colleagues from Bosnia and Herzegovina and involve them in active participation in EAHIL.	
What I think are the most important issues for European health information professionals in 2019- 2022	In my opinion, the level of involvement of librarians in information literacy of employees in the field of biomedicine should be raised. Also, librarians need to be more present in medical research.	
My one-line statement for my election campaign	Librarians are important partners in providing quality services in health care.	

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