

<b>EAHIL Council Election - Candidate Statement</b>	
<i>Country</i>	the Netherlands
<i>Name</i>	Winnie Schats
<i>Affiliation</i>	Netherlands Cancer Institute (NKI)
<i>My professional education and experience</i>	<p>I have worked in various general hospital libraries (Zaans Medisch Centrum 1993-2007, Slotervaart Hospital Amsterdam 2007-2016) before I started as an information specialist at the Antoni van Leeuwenhoek oncology hospital / Netherlands Cancer Institute.</p> <p>I have many years of experience in the more traditional aspects of libraries, cataloguing, collections and literature searching. In recent years I have focused on data management, repositories and FAIR data.</p> <p>I have been secretary of the Biomedical Information chapter of the Dutch Library Association, and am still an active member of several working groups in the current Biomedical Information Specialists Interest Group.</p>
<i>What I think is special about EAHIL</i>	I love the friendliness and openness of this professional network. Sharing knowledge and exchanging ideas and experiences are the fundamental strengths and I feel lucky to have benefited from that for so long already.
<i>What I expect to contribute to EAHIL Council</i>	I would like to increase awareness of EAHIL activities among the Dutch members and share the experiences, trends and knowledge of Dutch information specialists with the European members.
<i>What I think are the most important issues for European health information professionals in 2025-2028</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The role of artificial intelligence in our work and our organizations is increasing, it's important that we stay on top of that</li> <li>• Continue to show the importance of our work to our organizations</li> <li>• Open access and open science are of utmost importance to increase access to information for everyone</li> </ul>
<i>My one-line statement for my election campaign</i>	Learning from each other so that we can grow our network and our professions even stronger.

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