

1 November 2019

Dear Members of the Stroke Alliance for Europe (SAFE)

I am writing on behalf of the Board of SAFE to invite you to our 2019 Annual General Assembly (AGA) to be held on Friday 29 November @ 08.30 at the Sheraton Porto Hotel, R. do Ten. Valadim 146, 4100-476 Porto, Portugal.

We have enclosed the following documents, which we are obliged to send every member of SAFE:

- Notice of the meeting
- Agenda
- Minutes of AGA 2018
- For the resolutions
 - Articles of Association
 - Annual Report 2019 and Accounts 2018
 - New member applications
 - Board members applications
 - Board officer applications

I hope we will see you at the AGA but if you are unable to attend, please forward any questions you may have to Sandra Jackson, SAFE Secretariat at mail@safestroke.com

Yours sincerely

Jon Barrick
President

THE STROKE ALLIANCE FOR EUROPE NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Notice is given that the 2019 Annual General Assembly of The Stroke Alliance for Europe (SAFE) will be held at the Sheraton Porto Hotel, R. do Ten. Valadim 146, 4100-476 Porto, Portugal, 29 November 2019 at 08.30 to consider and to pass the following resolutions:

- 1 to approve amendments to the Articles of Association

- 2 to receive the report of the Board for year ending 2019 and accounts for the financial year ending 31 December 2018, approved by SAFE's accountants.

- 3 to elect the following as new members of SAFE

 Ordinary membership: Mozdani Val, Croatia
 Ordinary Membership: Ukrainian Anti-Stroke Association
 Associate membership: Turkish Cerebrovascular Diseases Society

- 4 to remove the following as a member of SAFE:

 Schlaganfall-Hilfe Österreich (Austrian Stroke Self-help Association)

- 5 to elect the following as a Board members of SAFE:

Anita Arsovska,	Association for a fight against stroke, STROKE
	Ohrid, Macedonia
Pnina Rosenzweig,	Neeman Association for Stroke Survivors
Ivan Milojevic	Udruženje Moždaniudar, Serbia
Derya Uluduz	Beyinder, Turkey
Hrvoje Jurlina	Croatian Stroke Society

- 6 to elect the following Board members as Officers of the Board

Anita Arsovska	Vice President
Marina Charalambous	Secretary

On behalf of the Board

Jon Barrick
President

SAFE ANNUAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY - AGENDA

Friday 29 November 2019 @ 08.30

Sheraton Porto Hotel, R. do Ten. Valadim 146, 4100-476 Porto, Portugal

1. Welcome, apologies and opening comments
2. Minutes of the General Assembly 2018
3. Matters arising
4. Review of the year (progress against strategy and budget) and forward view
5. Resolutions
 - a. Approval of the Articles of Association 2019
 - b. Approval/Receiving of Annual Report for 2019 and Accounts for the year ending 31 December 2018
 - c. Expulsion of a member of SAFE
 - d. Election of new members
 - e. Nominations board members and officers of SAFE
6. Any other business
7. Date of next General Assembly: 20 November 2020

Close

STROKE ALLIANCE FOR EUROPE (SAFE) General Assembly 2018

DRAFT Minutes

Friday 30th November 2018

Held in Berlin, Germany

AGENDA ITEMS and DECISIONS

1. Welcome and Apologies

- The Vice President Markus Wagner (MW) welcomed the delegates to the General Assembly.

The number of member organisations present was 27 sufficient to be quorate.

These were:

Schlaganfall-Hilfe Österreich	Austria
Belgische Vereniging tegen cerebrovasculaire accidenten	Belgium
Fundacio Ictus	Catalonia
Croatian Stroke Association	Croatia
Cyprus Stroke Association	Cyprus
France AVC	France
Medical Foundation "Mkurnali"	Georgia
Hellenic Action / Alliance for Stroke	Greece
Stiftung Deutsche Schlaganfall-Hilfe	Germany
National Stroke (Prevention and Rehabilitation) League	Hungary
Heilaheil	Iceland
Irish Heart Foundation	Ireland
Neeman Association for Stroke survivors	Israel
Associazione Lotta Ictus Cerebrale (ALICE)	Italy
BLETZ Asbl	Luxembourg
Hersenletsel	Netherlands
Association for a fight against stroke, STROKE Ohrid	Macedonia
Norsk forening for slagrammede	Norway
Stroke Fundation	Poland
Portugal AVC	Portugal
Serbian Stroke Association	Serbia
Združenje bolnikov s cerebrovaskularno boleznijo	Slovenia
Federacion Espanola de Ictus	Spain
STROKE-Riksförbundet	Sweden
Beyinder	Turkey
Stroke Association	UK
Different Strokes	UK

Also present, without voting rights, Associate Members:

Parsidi.lv	Latvia
Victory over the stroke	Ukraine

Apologies for non-attendance were received from:
Heilafelagið
Aivoliitto ry

Faroe Islands
Finland

No contact was received from:
Heart For Arrhythmia Association
(Stowarzyszenie "Serce dla arytmii")

Poland

2. Chairman's Opening Remarks, approval of previous minutes and matters arising

- The Chair thanked Sandra Jackson (Secretariat), Lucinda Shaw (Partnerships Manager), Gary Randall (European Research Manager), Victoria Brewer (SSOFT Project Manager) and Jelena Misita (Advocacy Manager) for their excellent work on behalf of SAFE during 2018.
- The 2017 GA minutes were circulated to the SAFE membership prior to the GA. No queries arose from the minutes and they were approved for signature by the President and the Secretary.

3. Membership Applications, Resignations and Terminations

- There were two applications for ordinary membership:
 - CEREBRUM (Czech Republic)
 - Porazka (Slovakia)

The statutes of both organisations were available to view on the SAFE website prior to the GA

The applications from CEREBRUM and Porazka were approved and the organisations were welcomed to SAFE.

- No contact has been received from Heart For Arrhythmia Association (Stowarzyszenie "Serce dla arytmii") Poland for two years, and no membership fee has been paid. It was therefore decided that they would be expelled as a member of SAFE.
- Heilafelagið (Faroe Islands) resigned from SAFE

4. Board Member elections and resignations

- Grethe Lunde had completed her first term of three years on the board and was eligible for re-election. Grethe was nominated for re-election and was elected to the SAFE board
- Chris Macey (Ireland) was nominated and elected to the SAFE board
- Marina Charalambous (Cyprus) was nominated and elected to the SAFE board.
- Kolbrún Stefánsdóttir (Iceland) resigned from the SAFE board during 2018

As a result of the election, this is the new Board:

Jon Barrick	President	(2017-2020)
Markus Wagner	Vice President	(2016-2019)
Monique Lindhout	Secretary	(2016-2019)
Chris Macey	Treasurer	(2018-2021)
Grethe Lunde	North Cluster	(2015-2018)
Ivan Milojević	East Cluster	(2016-2019)
Harriet Proios	West Cluster	(2017-2020)
Pnina Rosenzweig	South Cluster	(2016-2019)
Anita Arsovska	Central Cluster	(2016-2019)
Marina Charalambous	Member at large	(2018-2021)

5. Constitutional Changes

➤ Fee structure

The SAFE board proposed a new fee structure for SAFE members as follows:

Annual Turnover			Membership fee 2018	Proposed Membership fee 2019	
< €200,000			=	€500	€510
€200,000	to	€500,000	=	€750	€765
€500,000	to	€1,000,000	=	€1,020	€1,040
€1,000,000	to	€2,000,000	=	€2,040	€2,080
€2,000,000	to	€3,000,000	=	€3,060	€3,121
€3,000,000	to	€4,000,000	=	€4,080	€4,162
€4,000,000	to	€5,000,000	=	€5,100	€5,202
€5,000,000	to	€6,000,000	=	€6,120	€6,242
€6,000,000	to	€7,000,000	=	€7,140	€7,283
€7,000,000	to	€8,000,000	=	€8,160	€8,323
€8,000,000	to	€9,000,000	=	€9,180	€9,364
> €9,000,000			=	€10,200	€10,404

- The SAFE President advised the meeting that all members could get back some or all of their membership fee by disseminating the research findings sent annually
- SAFE will also continue to support all members with free communications around European Stroke Awareness Day and World Stroke Day. We are also supporting the membership with the SSOF training materials.
- A vote took place by show of hands, and the result was as follows:

For:	26
Against:	1
Abstained:	0
Did not vote:	0
- As a result of this vote, the new fee structure will be in place from January 2019.

6. SAFE Annual Report and other board decisions

- The SAFE Annual Report was presented to the General Assembly, along with the SAFE Strategy 2017 to 2021, the 2017 Accounts and 2019 budget.
- The membership thanked the board for the comprehensive report produced for 2018
- The accounts for 2018 were passed
- The budget for 2019 was approved. The membership accepted the explanation from the SAFE President that many activities planned for 2019 were dependent on funding.
- After discussions at the 2017 GA, the board discussed further the issue of insurance to limit the liability of board members. This insurance was taken out during 2018.
- The membership was advised that, as with all organisations, commercial organisations go through difficult trading situations, and this can mean that sponsorship of SAFE from them may reduce or cease. We therefore have to expand our capacity for receiving funds from elsewhere. During 2019 the SAFE board will continue to explore further funding opportunities.

7. Regional Conferences 2018

- The GA was advised that we would again receive sponsorship from Boehringer Ingelheim to hold conferences during 2018.
- The SAFE board will discuss options for venues at the board meeting in January and advise the membership.

8. GA Ratification of Board Decisions and Proposals

- The GA had no questions on any board decisions made by the board during 2018, and all decisions were ratified.

9. Date and venue of 2019 Working Conference and General Assembly

- This was confirmed as being Porto, Portugal on 27th, 28th & 29th November 2019.

10. Other business

- The SAFE President advised the Assembly that Miquel Gallofre (Catalonia) had been our representative at ESO for the past three years. Miquel is now stepping down from this role and Markus Wagner will be taking over from him. The President thanked M Gallofre for his work on behalf of SAFE
- SAFE are planning a meeting in the European Parliament, at the request of the office of the Romanian Presidency, in May 2019. Further details will be sent to the membership as they become available.
- Grant giving to smaller organisations: At the 2017 GA, the membership approved the SAFE board giving grants to smaller member organisations who have shown to have done exceptional work on behalf of stroke survivors during 2018. Awards were made this year to:
 - Beyinder, Turkey
 - Federacion Espanola del Ictus
 - Mozdani, Serbia
 - Portugal AVC
 - Heilheill, Iceland
 - Cyprus Stroke Association
 - Croatian Stroke Society
 - Fundacio Ictus, Catalonia

Signed and ratified by



Marina Charalambous
(Secretary)



Jon Barrick
(President)

Articles of Association

of

SAFE

(THE STROKE ALLIANCE FOR EUROPE)

(Non-official translation)



FOUNDED IN 2004 as AISBL, converted to ASBL in 2016
(Lastly amended on 31 October 2019)

TITLE I: NAME AND REGISTERED OFFICE

Art. 1: An international non-profit making association called “Stroke Alliance for Europe” (*l’Alliance Européenne contre l’Attaque Cérébrale*) is created. The association has the right to use the abbreviation “SAFE” in all acts, announcements, publications and other documents used by, or on the authority of the association.

The association is governed by the dispositions of the Belgian Code for Companies and Associations (hereafter called “the BCCA”).

Art. 2. The office of the association is established in the Brussels Capital Region. It may be transferred by a simple decision of the Board to any other place in the Brussels Capital Region or the Walloon region.

In case the office would need to be transferred to the Flemish Region, following which the official language of the articles of association will have to be changed from French into Dutch, the General Assembly shall take this decision and amend the language of the articles of association accordingly.

Each decision to transfer the office must be filed with the clerk's office of the relevant enterprise court and published in the Annexes to the Belgian State Gazette.

The activities of the association may take place all over the world.

TITLE II: OBJECTIVES AND DURATION

Art. 3: The objectives of the association, a non-profit making organisation, are:

- to promote awareness and understanding of stroke;
- to promote prevention of strokes;
- to identify those at risk of stroke;
- to improve access to appropriate treatment and care for persons affected by stroke;
- to improve the quality of life of people affected by stroke and their families and carers;
- to promote better access to accurate and understandable information about stroke;
- to increase the priority given to stroke by policy and decision-makers and by health care providers;
- to promote research on stroke and related areas;
- to co-ordinate the efforts of national stroke patient groups in Europe;
- to support the growth of stroke organisations reflecting the views of stroke survivors and their supporters.

The association may realise its objectives of international usefulness in any way that seems most appropriate. It may engage in any similar activity with parallel objectives.

Art. 4 In order to realise its objectives, the association may:

- acquire, receive and manage all personal or real estates;
- apply for subsidies;
- receive donations and legacies;
- give grants, periodically or not; and
- dispose of all contributions, grants and other incomes of funds, periodically or not.

Art. 5 The duration of the association is unlimited. It can at any time be terminated by a decision of the General Assembly.

TITLE III: MEMBERS

§ 1: *Categories of members and conditions of admission.*

Art. 6 The number of members is unlimited, but shall not be less than three. The association is composed of ordinary members, associate members and honorary members.

The following are eligible for ordinary membership and can vote at General Assemblies on any issues:

- the founding members; and
- all other European (as defined by the World Health Organisation) national organisations constituted according to the laws and customs of their country of origin, which support those at risk of and affected by stroke.

The Board shall propose any such organisations for election as ordinary members. The Board will decide at a Board meeting by a simple majority vote upon the election of new ordinary members.

Associate membership may be offered by the Board, by a simple majority vote at a Board meeting, to organisations, constituted according to the laws and customs of their country of origin, which support those at risk of and affected by stroke, and who do not fulfil the criteria for ordinary membership.

Honorary members are individuals or organisations, constituted according to the law and customs of their country of origin, which have provided outstanding support to the association in furtherance of its objectives. The Board shall propose any such individuals or organisations for election as honorary members at a Board meeting, which will decide by a simple majority vote.

Each time reference is made to "members" in these articles of association, reference is made to ordinary, associate and honorary members.

§ 2: *Resignation or expulsion of members.*

Art. 7 Any member is free to resign from the association by submitting its resignation to the Board in writing. Such resignation would be effective with immediate effect with no reimbursement.

Art. 8 The expulsion of any member of the association can be proposed by the Board, after having heard any defence of the member concerned. The final decision to expel the member is taken at the next General Assembly, if at least two-thirds of the ordinary members are present or represented at the meeting, with a two-thirds majority.

In case the required attendance quorum of two-thirds of ordinary members present or represented by proxy is not attained at the first organised General Assembly, a second General Assembly with the same agenda will have to be convened. The second General Assembly will be held not earlier than 15 days following the first General Assembly.

The second General Assembly shall decide definitively and validly upon the proposals deferred from the previous meeting, by a two-thirds majority vote, regardless of the number of ordinary members present or represented.

A member can be excluded, e.g., if:

- it fails to pay its annual contribution;
- it no longer fulfils the stated requirements for membership;
- it brings the association into disrepute;
- it commits serious infringements of the articles of association.

The Board may suspend, until the final decision of the General Assembly, any member which is deemed to have contravened any of these requirements.

Art. 9 The ordinary members have no obligation for the financial or other activities of the association and are solely responsible for the execution of their mandate.

§ 3: *Membership – annual contribution.*

Art. 10 The members may be liable to pay an annual contribution, the amount of which shall be proposed each year by the Board to the General Assembly for approval.

The annual contribution shall be maximum one (1) million euros.

TITLE IV: GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Art. 11 The General Assembly possesses all powers to fulfil the objectives of the association. Ordinary, associate and honorary members may take part in discussions at the General Assembly, but only ordinary members may vote on any issue.

The following powers shall be exercised only by the General Assembly:

- amendment of the articles of association;
- approval of the annual accounts and the budget;
- voluntary dissolution of the association;
- expulsion of ordinary members;
- appointment, dismissal and discharge of Board members and Officers of SAFE;
- bringing an association claim against Board members and/or Officers;
- all other cases where required by Belgian law.

All other matters shall be the responsibility of the Board.

Art. 12 The General Assembly shall meet at least once a year. Each General Assembly shall take place on the day, place and hour as indicated in the convocation notice. All members shall receive the convocation notice by ordinary letter or email.

The association shall meet in Extraordinary General Assembly by decision of the Board or at the request of one fifth of the ordinary members of the association. In case of the latter, the Board will convene the Extraordinary General Assembly within 21 days of the request to convene and the Extraordinary General Assembly is held no later than 40 days after this request.

Art. 13 The Board shall notify each member in a convocation notice, 60 days before the General Assembly. The convocation notice shall be signed by the President or a nominated Board member.

The convocation notice shall include the agenda and all supporting documents. Any matter, other than those listed on the agenda, may be discussed and voted upon if it is received from an ordinary member by the Board in writing no less than six weeks before the meeting.

Art. 14 The General Assembly shall be quorate only if at least half of the ordinary members are present or represented at the meeting. The decisions of the General Assembly shall be made by simple majority vote, unless the articles of association or Belgian law specifically stipulate otherwise.

However, if less than half of the ordinary members are present, or represented by proxy, a second General Assembly with the same agenda will have to be convened. The second General Assembly will be held not earlier than 15 days following the first General Assembly.

This second General Assembly meeting shall decide definitively and validly upon the proposals deferred from the previous meeting, by a simple majority vote, regardless of the number of ordinary members present or represented.

Art. 15 The ordinary members have an equal right to vote, with each ordinary member being entitled to one vote. Each member-organisation shall nominate one of its members to be the voting delegate at the General Assembly. Such member-organisation shall submit the identification details of its voting delegate no later than 10 business days prior to the date of the General Assembly concerned.

Any ordinary member, if necessary, may be represented by a proxy, who shall be the delegate of one of the other ordinary members of the association. Any ordinary member present at the meeting cannot cast a proxy vote on behalf of more than one absent ordinary member. The Chairman of the meeting shall have a casting vote, in the event of an equal vote on any resolution.

Art. 16 The decisions of the General Assembly shall be recorded in minutes and signed by the Chairman of the meeting and one Board member. Those minutes shall be circulated to all members and shall also be available for examination at the registered office of the association and with the Secretariat. The minutes of the General Assembly are approved at the following meeting, and a copy of the minutes shall be circulated to all members of the association.

Art. 17 The accounts of the financial year and the budget for the following period shall be closed each year on 31 December. .

Art. 18 In case of voluntary dissolution, the General Assembly shall designate one or two liquidators and determine their powers.

TITLE V: MODIFICATION OF THE ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION AND DISSOLUTION

Art. 19 Without prejudice to the provisions of the BCCA, any proposal for amendment of the articles of association or for the dissolution of the association, must be made by the Board or any ordinary member of the association.

Any such proposal must be submitted to the Secretary at least six weeks prior to the Extraordinary General Assembly at which the proposal shall be voted upon. The Secretary shall send the proposal to the ordinary members at least

four weeks prior to the Extraordinary General Assembly at which the proposal shall be voted upon.

The Extraordinary General Assembly may decide validly on any proposal of amendment of the articles of association or dissolution of the association only if two-thirds of the ordinary members are present or represented by proxy, whereby a voting majority of two-thirds is required for amendment of the articles of association and a voting majority of four-fifth for dissolution of the association.

However, if less than two-thirds of the ordinary members are present, or represented by proxy, another Extraordinary General Assembly shall be convened with the same agenda. The second Extraordinary General Assembly will be held not earlier than 15 days following the first Extraordinary General Assembly.

The second Extraordinary General Assembly shall decide definitively and validly upon the proposals deferred from the previous meeting, by a two-thirds majority vote, regardless of the number of ordinary members present or represented by proxy. However, if the amendment of the articles of association relates to the object or the disinterested purpose of the association, a four-fifth majority vote is required.

In all cases of dissolution, at whatever time or for whatever reason, any residual funds, after payment of any debts and charges, shall be transferred to an organisation or multiple organisations, to the extent allowed by the BCCA, supporting people affected by stroke. In default of such a decision, the funds must be allocated to a disinterested purpose with similar objectives.

TITLE VI: MANAGEMENT

Art. 20 The association is managed by a Board that is composed of at least 5 and no more than 11 members, elected by the General Assembly by a simple majority vote and chosen from among the delegates of ordinary members. Any country may be represented by no more than one Board member at any time. The association will seek representation on the Board from stroke survivors and care givers.

Only ordinary members can propose candidates for the Board and become members of the Board.

Twelve weeks prior to the General Assembly, the Secretary shall circulate a request to all ordinary members for nominations to the Board. Any ordinary member wishing to nominate a delegate for election as a Board member, shall submit such nomination in writing to the Secretary at least eight weeks prior to the General Assembly. In support of such nomination, a brief biography of the delegate shall be provided. Two weeks prior to the General Assembly, the

Secretary shall circulate, to all ordinary members, copies of all valid nominations received, together with the accompanying biographies. In case no nomination is received in advance of the General Assembly, the Board will have discretion to propose candidates on the day of the General Assembly.

The Board members shall be elected for a term of three years and are eligible for re-election once. No person shall be eligible for more than six consecutive years. After six continuous years of service on the Board, the Board member may not again be nominated for re-election until at least one calendar year has elapsed.

The General Assembly shall elect a President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer, called the Officers of SAFE, amongst the elected Board members by a simple majority vote.

Twelve weeks prior to the General Assembly, the Secretary shall circulate a request to all ordinary members for nominations of the Officers. Any ordinary member wishing to nominate a delegate for election as an Officer, shall submit such nomination in writing to the Secretary at least eight weeks prior to the General Assembly. In support of such nomination, a brief biography of the delegate shall be provided. Two weeks prior to the General Assembly, the Secretary shall circulate, to all ordinary members, copies of all valid nominations received, together with the accompanying biographies. In case no nomination is received in advance of the General Assembly, the Board will have discretion to propose candidates on the day of the General Assembly.

Only individuals that have been elected as Board member can be elected as Officer.

The Officers shall be elected for a term of three years and are eligible for re-election once. No person shall be eligible for more than six consecutive years. After six continuous years of service as an Officer, the concerned Officer may not again be nominated for re-election until at least one calendar year has elapsed.

If the President is absent, his/her functions shall be assumed by the Vice President or, by default, by the Secretary.

All acts concerning the election, the revocation and the cessation of the functions of Board members or of the persons entitled to represent the association, are submitted for publication in the Annexes to the Belgian State Gazette within 30 days.

Any Board member may be removed from office by a two-thirds majority vote of ordinary members at a General Assembly.

Those Board members who retire, shall remain in office until their successor(s) are put in place.

Art. 21 The Board members shall receive no payment for undertaking their responsibilities, but they may receive a reimbursement of their actual and documented travel and other expenses for attending Board meetings and any other meetings on behalf of the association.

In the event of a Board member resigning his/her post during a term of office, the remaining Board members have the right to co-opt a new Board member and as such nominate a replacement for the remaining term of office. The mandate of the co-opted Board member would need to be confirmed at the next General Assembly and the co-opted Board member would need to be made ordinary member. Upon confirmation, the co-opted Board member shall fulfil the mandate of his/her predecessor. In the absence of such confirmation, the term of office of the co-opted Board member shall be terminated at the end of the General Assembly, without prejudice to the regularity of the composition of the Board until that General Assembly.

Art. 22 The Board shall meet as required, but at least twice a year. The Board meetings shall be convened by the President or at the request of at least two other Board members. The convocation notice is made by ordinary letter or email.

The Board meetings shall require a quorum of at least half of the elected present or represented Board members.

Each Board member may give, in writing or by email, delegated authority to one of his/her Board colleagues to replace him/her and vote on his/her behalf at the Board meetings. The Board member who has been delegated must be present at the meeting. No Board member may represent more than one of his/her colleagues at any Board meeting.

Decisions of the Board are taken by simple majority vote of the members either present or who have been given delegated authority. In the case of an equal vote, the Chairman of the meeting shall have a casting vote.

The decisions of all Board meetings shall be recorded in minutes, signed by the Chairman of the meeting and one other Board member present. The minutes shall be circulated to all Board members. The minutes shall be recorded in a register kept at the registered office of the association and with the Secretariat.

The Board can also take decisions by unanimous written resolutions. This procedure cannot be followed for the following decisions:

- elect new ordinary, associate and honorary members;
- expel associate and honorary members; and

- prepare the budget for the following financial year and the annual accounts for the preceding financial year and submit these to the General Assembly for approval.

In case a conflict of interest arises during a Board meeting for a Board member, the conflict of interests procedure as described in the BCCA will apply.

The decisions and actions of the Board shall be communicated regularly to the ordinary members.

Art. 23 The Board has all powers to raise funds, administer and manage the association, within the terms of the articles of association and Belgian law, in order to fulfil the objectives of the association.

The Board is competent to deal with any issues on behalf of the association, in the broadest sense. Anything that is not specifically the responsibility of the General Assembly following the dispositions of Belgian law or the articles of association, shall be considered to be within the remit of the Board.

In particular, the Board has power to:

- elect new ordinary, associate and honorary members;
- expel associate and honorary members;
- prepare the budget for the following financial year and the annual accounts for the preceding financial year and submit these to the General Assembly for approval;
- make or receive payments or deposits;
- acquire, exchange, lease or deal freely with property, whether donated or not, over any term of years;
- accept or receive all real or personal estates;
- accept or receive all official and private subsidies and subventions;
- accept or receive all legacies and donations;
- consent to and conclude all contracts, in any markets or with any companies or individuals;
- contract all loans, with or without guarantee;
- consent to and accept all cautions-money and subrogation;
- mortgage any property of the association;
- contract and administer all loans and advances;
- take legal action, plead before all jurisdictions and execute all judgements;
- file settlements or agreements;
- enter into settlements;
- delegate certain of its powers to special committees or mandataries by way of proxies; and
- make investments after taking into consideration proper professional investment advice.

The Board shall, by itself or by delegation, appoint or dismiss advisors or employees and personnel of the association and determinate their remuneration or fees.

Art. 24 The Board shall carry out, or cause to be carried out, all activities of the association and shall ensure that the decisions of the General Assembly are fulfilled.

Art. 25 Any documents that commit the association shall be signed by the President and one other Board member or by proxy appointed by the Board, neither of whom requires justifying his/her power to do so.

Any legal actions, whether as plaintiff or defendant, shall be pursued by the Board represented by its President or by another Board member appointed by the President.

Art. 26 The Board shall appoint one person who shall be responsible for administering the day-to-day work of the association. The appointed person shall provide regular reports to the Board on the affairs of the association and shall present proposals of useful activities for all acts of daily management. The appointed person shall have the power to sign all documents related to the daily management of the association and, in particular, shall have power to sign any bank cheques or other documents for payments within rules set and monitored by the Board.

Art. 27 In case the President has given notice that he/she will be resigning and in order to facilitate the transition between the offices, the Board shall appoint a President Elect who will be succeeding the President from among the delegates of ordinary members.

The President Elect will receive training from the Board for a duration of one year before the resignation date of the President. The goal of this one-year training is to make the President Elect fully acquainted with the structure and functioning of the association and to prepare him/her for the function of President.

The President Elect will:

- learn about the association's objectives, policies, and programmes;
- assist and support the President and the Board as needed;
- attend and participate in all Board meetings and review and comment on Board meetings minutes;
- prepare and present information at Board meetings as needed;
- offer support in financial oversight of the association's accounts; and
- perform other duties as assigned by the President.

The President Elect shall automatically become President at the end of the term as President Elect.

Art. 28 The Board shall establish all it considers as necessary (internal regulations, etc.). Those documents complement the articles of association and cannot contravene the articles of association.

Art. 29 All documents shall be written in English, without prejudice to contrary legal dispositions.

The documents produced by the corporate bodies of the association will be translated into French to the extent required by the BCCA, in particular (but not limited to) all documents which need to be published in the Annexes to the Belgian State Gazette.

The French version of the articles of association is the official version.

TITLE VII: BUDGET AND ACCOUNTS

Art. 30 The financial year of the association shall begin on 1 January and end on 31 December.

The annual accounts for the closed financial year and the budget of the next financial year shall be prepared each year by the Board and submitted to the General Assembly for approval at its following meeting.

The annual accounts shall be submitted with the clerk's office of the relevant enterprise court within 30 days following the General Assembly approving the annual accounts and within 7 months after closure of the financial year of the association.

TITLE VIII: GENERAL DISPOSITIONS

Art. 31 The dispositions of the BCCA will provide for any matters not covered by the present articles of association.



Draft Report of Stroke Alliance for Europe 2019

Stroke Alliance for Europe

Every 20 seconds someone in Europe has a stroke. A stroke does not discriminate. It can happen to anyone at any time in their life. Strokes are sudden and their consequences can be devastating.

The Stroke Alliance for Europe is the leading European patient organisation solely concerned with helping everyone affected by stroke in Europe.

Our mission

We work towards all patients in Europe with stroke having rights of access to a continuum of care. From prevention and risk identification, through emergency response to organised stroke units in acute phase, to appropriate rehabilitation and secondary prevention measures.

Our vision

SAFE's vision is to work towards greatly decreasing the number of strokes in Europe and that all who are touched by stroke get the help and support they need.

SAFE therefore engages in activities such as campaigning, education and encouraging research, which contribute to the advancement of stroke prevention and the improvement of the quality of life of stroke survivors, their families and carers.

President's message

This has been a busy and exciting year for our organisation, especially in terms of advocating on pan-European level. We have continued work around the Stroke Action Plan for Europe, forming an implementation committee with the European Stroke Organisation. We held a seminal event at the EU parliament raising the profile of stroke more than ever before, engaging with the Deputy Director General of the EU's DG Sante and the EU Committee of the Regions. Through our funding of Oxford University's project on the economic impact of stroke, we have produced up to date and compelling evidence about the cost of stroke in Europe. With all this accomplished, we continue to press ahead, as we have now completed the third and final year of the research which will provide us with vital European and country specific data on the future economic impact of stroke and power of interventions. The Economic Impact of Stroke in Europe report will be launched in full at the Joint World Stroke Organisation/European Stroke Organisation conference in Vienna in May 2020.

We have continued with the Angels project to produce vital information booklets on stroke to distribute to patients and families while in hospital. We have provided this information in 15 different languages to ensure that more people across Europe can use our materials to improve the lives of stroke survivors.

We continue our educational work with those who wish to understand stroke support organisations and become advocates for better care through our online teaching and learning tool SSOF, and our regional and working conferences.

A particular highlight for me in 2019 was the concrete evidence of the value of our partnership orientation, our Industry partners have been very supportive again, our outreach to ESO has been reciprocated, and we continue to see the number of SSO's grow, and then become members of SAFE. Yet again we go into a new year with record membership which bodes well for the future.

As SAFE goes from strength to strength in activities to reduce the number and effects of strokes, the Board must also ensure the long-term sustainability of SAFE. The Board has achieved much of its work through dedicated voluntary time but has recognised that this needs to be added to by full time paid staff. The Board agreed that SAFE required more permanent leadership to drive forward and to achieve our goals. I am delighted to let you know that we recruited our first Director General this year and I know you will all join me in welcoming Arlene Wilkie into the SAFE family.

In 2019, we have been able to deliver many significant achievements because of our close working community. I would like to thank those that have worked with and for SAFE this year, and to the members and sponsors who have supported us practically and financially. This next year is my last as President and I am looking forward to ensuring we have a solid 2020 of achievement to strengthen the long term sustainability of all stroke support organisations in Europe.

Jon Barrick
SAFE President

SAFE 2019

Our 2017-2021 strategy sets out seven priorities that we work towards to achieve our mission and vision:

- Prevention of strokes
- Support stroke patients to receive better access to specialist care and rehabilitation
- Influencing and campaigning
- Grow and support stroke support organisations
- Research
- Governance and resources

Prevention of strokes

Stroke has now climbed to become the second biggest cause of death in the world, and the number one cause of severe long-term disability. SAFE does not have the resources to combat the disparate cause of ill health across Europe, but we can play a part in more focussed campaigns to ensure that where warning signs appear, or can easily be diagnosed, then action takes place to prevent a stroke.

SAFE's website on stroke prevention: available in five more languages

In 2018 SAFE created the website www.strokeprevention.info, providing key information about 10 modifiable stroke risk factors in a lay-friendly format. We were motivated to do this because, despite compelling evidence that it is a largely preventable condition, around 17 million strokes occur worldwide each year. Stroke shares risk factors with other cardiovascular diseases and with many other non-infectious, or non-communicable diseases.

The aim of this website is to inform and inspire people to take individual steps, such as giving up smoking or taking better control over their blood pressure, and to take an active role in preventing stroke.

In 2019:

To increase greater accessibility of its content for millions of people who speak these languages, the website was translated to Polish, Spanish, Portuguese, Russian and French and relaunched in autumn 2019.

Support stroke patients to receive better access to specialist care and rehabilitation

Stroke treatment and care is not a priority in many countries. Provision is unequal across Europe and within member countries. SAFE will put the experiences of people who have had a stroke and their families at the centre of all our discussions, campaigning and lobbying, acting as an advocate at a European and supporting local level member campaigns.

Angels Initiative and SAFE: improving patient – doctor communication

The Angels Initiative is a unique healthcare initiative launched by Boehringer Ingelheim in partnership with the European Stroke Organisation (ESO), the World Stroke Organisation (WSO) and SAFE.

The Angels Initiative project aims to improve stroke outcomes, save lives and reduce long-term disability. It achieves this by providing information brochures in stroke units to patients and their carers to help them understand more about their condition, and how to actively be involved in their treatment decisions. The SAFE Angels brochures are contributing by positively influencing communication between healthcare professionals and patients. SAFE raises the profile of the Angels Initiative through our stroke support organisations, direct contacts with patients and carers and social media channels.

In 2019, we have:

1. Provided the SAFE Angels brochures to more European countries
In 2018 the Angels information was made available in twelve European countries and thirteen languages: Spain, Serbia, Poland, Czech Republic, Latvia, Croatia, North Macedonia, Greece, Ukraine, Georgia, Hungary and Turkey. In 2019, this was expanded to Slovakia, Cyprus and France.
2. Updated the SAFE Angels brochures based on feedback from patients and medics.

SAFE made changes in the format, producing a collection of all five brochures in one specially designed book. The overarching title is ‘*Surviving Stroke*’. The core texts for all brochures were provided by the Stroke Association UK.

“We didn’t have similar patient materials in the past. Now that we do, patients often take all five different brochures and even try to take more copies, for relatives and neighbours.”

Mikheil Shavgulidze, Georgian stroke organisation Mkurnali Foundation

Influencing and campaigning

Stroke is a preventable, treatable and beatable condition, and as a European alliance support organisation, we are in a strong position to campaign and lobby effectively at EU level for more resources and awareness of stroke, and to support members to operate at country level.

Translation of the Stroke Action Plan for Europe: reaching wider audiences

The *Stroke Action Plan for Europe 2018-2030* (the Plan) is a result of collaborative work between SAFE and ESO, building on the Helsingborg Declarations of 1995 and 2006, and includes two new domains: primary prevention and life after stroke. The

final report was published in 2018 after 18 months work involving over 70 experts in stroke prevention, treatment, rehabilitation and aftercare, as well as stroke advocacy.

In 2019 SAFE:

1. Translated the Plan to increase accessibility to more European countries
To ensure that the Plan is used by as many countries as possible, SAFE translated it to French, Portuguese, Russian, Polish, Spanish, Ukrainian, Finnish, Turkish and Greek.
2. Promoted the Plan to encourage its implementation
The first of these activities was at the ESO conference in Milan, when we had the printed versions available at our stand. The Plan was also promoted at SAFE's regional conferences. The pdf version of the Plan was promoted through SAFE's website and social media in each of the eight languages, together with the English version.

The Economic Impact of Stroke in Europe Report: How much does stroke really cost in Europe?

Following the successful cooperation with King's College London and the launch of the *Burden of Stroke in Europe* report in 2017, SAFE commissioned its next key piece of research: the economic impact of stroke in Europe.

The goal of this study, carried out by a health economics team from the University of Oxford in England, is to increase the priority given to stroke, and reinforce and underpin the influencing of European and country-level policy work already underway as a result of the *Burden of Stroke in Europe* report.

Recent modest improvements in acute care mean that more people are surviving stroke, but with impairment. The consequence being that we have a major health economic and social burden catastrophe waiting to happen. This will severely impact all European countries, but especially those where inequalities in stroke healthcare are already known.

In 2019 SAFE will:

Publish a lay reader-friendly and easily digestible report of the research results. The report will be divided into three parts: the current cost assessment; future costs projections in case of business as usual; and the impact of interventions on future costs, both on pan-European and country by country level. This will be used by SAFE and partner organisations to build a case for investment in different areas of the stroke care pathway.

The first part of the research, the current costs, will provide a breakdown of the analysis for each country into direct healthcare, direct non-medical and indirect costs (this covers the costs in social care services, and the wider societal and family and

carer, such as days of income lost due to disability, payments in day care, welfare and nursing home costs). SAFE will present this data to its members at the 2019 working conference and promote the findings through SAFE social media channels, as well as through SAFE member organisations' networks.

SAFE will present the latter two parts of the research at the joint WSO/ESO conference in May 2020 in Vienna, creating a synergy of multi-organisation joint efforts and maximizing the impact of the report's key findings. The launch will raise the profile of the issue that stroke costs and the implications of not doing anything. It will bring the issue to the forefront across a wider audience, including government and policy makers.

Joint event with Romanian Presidency of the Council of the European Union

The event '*Joining forces to prevent and control non-communicable diseases: The role of policy in tackling stroke*' took place in Brussels, at the Committee of the Regions. The event, held under the patronage the Romanian Presidency of the Council of the EU, was organised by SAFE in collaboration with ESO and the Romanian National Association of Stroke.

The event brought together European, national and local policy stakeholders to foster discussions on the need for policy action in the area of stroke. In particular, as identified by SAFE's *Burden of Stroke in Europe* report, the disparities between and within European countries across the stroke care pathway, from primary prevention to life after stroke, was addressed as a priority. The event also looked into the role policy and policy stakeholders play in achieving the targets of the *Stroke Action Plan for Europe 2018-2030*. We hope that the discussions will feed into the Romanian and upcoming Finnish and Croatian presidencies' health priorities, as well as current and future EU action for preventing and controlling non-communicable diseases.

SAFE and ESO are following-up with key speakers and participants to move forward the identified opportunities. Joining forces with EU policy-makers to address the burden of stroke that stroke survivors, their families and the overall society are currently facing is essential.

Grow and support stroke support organisations

We want to increase the number of organisations and the groups of stroke survivors and carers associated with them across Europe, and help our members to share good practice, experiences and learning and enable sustainability and growth.

Stroke Support Organisation Faculty Tool: online training for our members

SAFE, in partnership with the European Stroke Organisation (ESO), identified a need to support members to become strong and positive advocates, so that they can campaign for improved prevention strategies, diagnosis and treatment for stroke, as well as aftercare of survivors and their families. To this end, an online eLearning tool,

the Stroke Support Organisation Faculty Tool (SSOFT), was co-created with SAFE members to educate people on the principles of stroke advocacy.

In 2019:

This project was successfully launched in 2018 and consists of six modules: what is a stroke support organisation, what is advocacy and how is it done, the use of evidence, the role of the patient voice, health systems advocacy and public advocacy

Its implementation started in 2019, by promotion through SAFE's social media channels, and SAFE organised meetings with member organisations. To date, around 350 people from across Europe have used this training course to learn more about stroke advocacy.

"The SSOFT learning tool gave me all the knowledge and information about stroke and other speech and language disorders. I really like helping those in need. When you offer help without propriety, without expecting a reward, it gives you a feeling of satisfaction and completeness. SSOFT helped me understand and obtain all the necessary information I needed"

Maria Karadimou, teacher.

SAFE regional and working conferences: bringing our members together

SAFE has organised a working conference each year since forming in 2004 – as well as regional conferences for the last five years. Delegates come together to share best practice, skills and experience, and the conferences have played a key part in nurturing and encouraging the growth of stroke patient organisations across Europe. The conferences also provide an opportunity for SAFE to update its members on progress against strategy, with updates on specific key projects, and policy and influencing work. We use the conferences to guide members on how to use resources produced for their advocacy work, to best effect change and raise awareness of all the issues in their own countries.

"As always the conference provided delegates with nothing but the best. Actual topics, interesting workshops, igniting many ideas for next year, getting useful information. It was all excellent."

In 2019:

SAFE brought together 30 European countries from member organisations gathered within their clusters in Paris, Krakow and Stockholm for our regional conferences. At these meetings SAFE updated members on its strategy, its projects including SSOFT, the prevention website and the economic impact of stroke research, its policy work including the *Stroke Action Plan for Europe* and the Romanian Presidency event in the EU.

Research

Research evidence has led to the development of real improvements in stroke prevention, treatment, rehabilitation and care. SAFE has a unique role to play as a stroke support organisation being a visible, pro-active member and advisor to project consortia, disseminating information about research projects through our members.

SAFE's profile amongst the clinical research community in Europe is now higher than it has ever been. This is evidenced by the fact that we had a record number of approaches this year to support research proposals in various ways. These range from simple letters of support, or patient surveys that provide opinion on a research topic, through to full-blown participation by SAFE in a research consortium.

In 2019:

1. We supported 13 research proposals in the following three categories:

Full research and innovation projects

CELLSTROKE – stem cells and acute stroke

EVERBRAIN - extracellular vesicles and brain regeneration post-ischaemic stroke

MICROBIOSIS – the role of the gut microbiome in post-stroke comorbidity

ACIST – N-Acetylcysteine and intravenous thrombolysis in ischaemic stroke

AURORAS - uric acid and reperfusion in acute stroke

ANGIE – micro-robots to treat thrombolysis

PhD student training networks

ENTRAIN – neuroinflammation and stroke

ADVANCE – image analysis and prediction modelling of stroke outcome

CRANIA – neuroimaging analysis of stroke in the elderly

PRONEST – personalised robots and stroke rehabilitation

European Commission funding for Small and medium-sized enterprises programs

STROKEWATCH – new wearables to detect Atrial Fibrillation

DEEPSTROKE – intelligent image analysis for fast, accurate triage in stroke

GONDOLA – novel foot stimulation and walking rehabilitation

2. SAFE was involved as a paid beneficiary of the following five EU Horizon 2020 research projects and contributes to the dissemination of information about each of them:

PRESTIGE-AF – how do atrial fibrillation drugs affect stroke?

TENSION – is thrombectomy effective up to 12 hours post-stroke?

PROOF – high-dose oxygen therapy in acute stroke

PRECIOUS – common complications and acute stroke

SVDs@Target – small vessel disease and its role in stroke

Governance and resources

To deliver this strategy we will generate the resources required to sustain and develop SAFE. We will maintain partnerships that help to deliver our strategy.

At our most recent General Assembly, held after the working conference in Berlin, the following key decisions were made:

- Three board members were elected: Grethe Lunde from Norway (Norsk forening for slagrammede (NFS) as the North Cluster Representative, Chris Macey from Ireland (Irish Heart Foundation) as Treasurer and Marina Charalambous from Cyprus (Cyprus Stroke Organisation) as board member at large.
- Two new organisations were ratified and became full SAFE members: Porážka.sk from Slovakia and CEREBRUM from Czech Republic.
- In addition, SAFE awarded grants to the following SSOs in: Catalonia, Croatia, Cyprus, Iceland, Portugal, Serbia and Turkey for their work in fighting stroke, supporting survivors and their families, and building the patient voice during 2018.

SAFE 2020

In 2020, we will:

- Launch the Economic Impact of Stroke in Europe report
- Host the Life After Stroke forum
- Actively participate in the implementation of the Stroke Action Plan for Europe
- Lobby within the EU to make stroke a European health priority
- Host three regional conferences
- Scope a stroke survivor wants and needs survey
- Promote SSOF
- Promote SAFE Angels project within the Angels Initiative
- Promote strokeprevention.info
- Represent, communicate and work with our members and supporters
- Fully review our governance, policies and procedures

SAFE governance 2019

SAFE has functioned as a legally registered, nonprofit-making association in Belgium (AISBL) since 2004. The principles which govern SAFE are outlined in our constitution.

General Assembly

The General Assembly is comprised of all the member organisations of SAFE and its principal responsibilities include:

- electing the board and its president
- approving the admission of new member organisations
- approving budgets and annual accounts

Board

SAFE is governed by a board that can comprise no fewer than five and no more than eleven members. The board has four key positions: President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. The 2019 SAFE board:

- President, Jon Barrick, UK
- Vice president, Markus Wagner, Germany
- Secretary, Monique Lindhout, Netherlands (resigned June 2019)
- Secretary, Marina Charalambous, Cyprus (co-opted as Secretary June 2019)
- Treasurer, Grethe Lunde, Norway (resigned as Treasurer November 2018)
- Treasurer, Chris Macey, Ireland (appointed November 2018)
- Member (East Europe), Ivan Milojević, Serbia
- Member (Central Europe), Anita Arsovska, Macedonia
- Member (South Europe), Pnina Rosensweig, Israel
- Member (North Europe), Grethe Lunde, Norway (appointed November 2018)

The Board met four times in 2019. Its role is to monitor implementation of SAFE's strategic plan and provide policy and procedural direction, and to supervise the finances.

Staff

SAFE has a team of five people to coordinate its work:

Secretariat: Sandra Jackson

Fundraising and Partnerships Manager: Lucinda Shaw

Research Manager: Gary Randall

Advocacy and Awareness Manager: Jelena Misita

Director General: Arlene Wilke (appointed September 2019)

Sandra and Lucinda are based at the Stroke Association offices in the UK, but report directly to the SAFE board on their activities. Our thanks to the Stroke Association for hosting these roles. Our grateful thanks go to Gary for continuing to generously support SAFE in this important role on a pro bono basis.

SAFE members in 2019 **

Austria	Schlaganfall-Hilfe Österreich
Belgium	Belgische Vereniging tegen cerebrovasculaire accidenten
Catalonia	Fundacio Ictus
Croatia	Croatian Stroke Association
Cyprus	Cyprus Stroke Association
Czech Republic	Sdružení pro rehabilitaci osob po cévní mozkové příhodě
Czech Republic	CEREBRUM
Finland	Aivoliitto ry
France	France AVC
Georgia	Medical Foundation "Mkurnali"
Germany	Stiftung Deutsche Schlaganfall-Hilfe
Greece	Hellenic Action / Alliance for Stroke
Hungary	National Stroke (Prevention and Rehabilitation) League
Iceland	HEILAHEILL
Ireland (Republic of)	Irish Heart Foundation
Israel	Neeman Association for Stroke Survivors
Italy	Associazione Lotta Ictus Cerebrale (ALICe)
Latvia	Parsirdi.lv
Luxembourg	BLËTZ, asbl
Macedonia	STROKE Ohrid
Netherlands	Hersenletsel.nl
Norway	Norsk forening for slagrammede
Poland	Stroke Fundation
Potugal	Portugal AVC
Serbia	Udruženje Moždaniudar
Slovakia	Porážka.sk
Slovenia	Združenje bolnikov s cerebrovaskularno boleznijo
Spain	Federacion Espanola de Ictus
Sweden	STROKE-Riksförbundet
Turkey	Beyinder
United Kingdom	Stroke Association
United Kingdom	Different Strokes
Ukraine	School for Stroke Survivors (SSS) "Victory over the stroke"

** these member organisations are either dedicated stroke patient organisations or organisations where work for and with patients makes up an important part of their activities

SAFE finances 2018-2019

Message from the Treasurer

In 2018, our income was derived from three funding streams: membership income, the pharmaceutical industry and the European Stroke Organisation. Overall our income was €825,931.61 (€660,599.70 in 2017).

Our membership income grew to €40,770.00 (€25,100.00 in 2017) due to the increase in membership fees and the increase in the number of members.

We received significant support from Amgen, Bayer, BMS-Pfizer Alliance, Boehringer Ingelheim, Ipsen, Merz Angels Initiative and the European Stroke Organisation. We secured €729,116.00 (€601,788.78 in 2017), the highest amount of income SAFE has received in one year. This figure reflects the number of important initiatives for which we sought funding, and, with one exception, we secured the total required for each project.

In addition, we received €55,955.82 (€32,042.54 in 2017) from our partnerships with European research partners.

Our thanks go to all our supporters in 2018 for their continued support and recognition of the importance of the voice of the stroke survivor.

Our expenditure was €872,778.38 (€1,014,610.93 in 2017). This includes the €300,000 accrued from 2017. Overall, there is a deficit of €46,846.77 for the year. This was an agreed deficit and the funds for this were carried over from 2017.

As our financial year-end is 31 December, in this report we are only able to show the projected income and expenditure for 2019. Once again, we show that we have been successful in our fundraising. We continued to work with our generous supporters and have been pleased to receive support for our conferences and projects including the Economic Impact of Stroke in Europe. We will show a deficit for this year, which as in the 2018 budget was agreed and the funds for this were carried over from 2018.

**Consolidated statement of financial activities year ended 31st December 2018,
and projected statement of financial activities year ended 31st December 2019**

	2019	2018	2017
Income	(Euro)	(Euro)	(Euro)
Sponsorship Income	493,947.00	729,116.00	601,788.78
Membership fees	48,213.00	40,770.00	25,100.00
European research project funding contributions	14,779.43	55,955.82	32,042.54
Miscellaneous income	165.00	89.79	1,668.38
Total Income	557,104.43	825,931.61	660,599.70
Expenditure			
Meetings (board, industry and other)	18,400	24,676.54	23,404.31
Conferences (working, regional and external)	180,000	177,313.64	169,711.86
Staff costs	134,220	125,103.32	82,147.57
European research project dissemination to membership	14,185	26,686.94	9,891.00
Project costs	151,200	346,341.67	57,880.79
SAFE report costs	75,900	128,590.45	40,381.75
EU lobbying agency costs	69,656	18,407.13	40,704.00
Membership of other organisations	780	808.98	922.73
Professional fees and bank charges	2,250	4,951.96	14,289.25
Core costs	19,000	19,897.75	75,277.67
Cash moved to create a reserve	-	-	200,000.00
Funds accrued		-	300,000.00
Total Expenditure	665,591	872,778.38	1,014,610.93
Surplus/Deficit	-108,487	-46,846.77	-345,044.23
Reconciliation of funds			
Total funds brought forward	317,262	*364,109.28	418,120.51
Reserves	200,000	200,000.00	-
Total funds carried forward	408,776	517,262.51	64,109.28

*Note: Includes €300,000 accrued in 2017 for 2018 and 2019 expenditure



ACCOUNTANTS STATEMENT

To the members and the Board of Directors of SAFE ASBL:

Scope

We have reviewed the financial accounts of the Association “**Stroke Alliance for Europe**”, abbreviated “**SAFE**”, with registered office in Belgium, Brussels, Washingtonstreet 40, for the accounting year ended December 31, 2018.

We have performed a limited review of the transactions and situation of the financial accounts. Our limited review was made in accordance with generally accepted accounting standards in Belgium. We have not performed a full audit and, accordingly, we do not express an audit opinion.

Statement

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly the financial position of SAFE Association as of December 31, 2018, and the result of the operations for the year then ended.

Leuven (Belgium)
April, 2019

Accounting & Tax Partners nv

**ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS OF
THE STROKE ALLIANCE FOR EUROPE**

Mozdani Val, Croatia

Ukrainian Anti-Stroke Association

Turkish Cerebrovascular Diseases Society

Stroke Alliance for Europe (SAFE) APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Name of applying Organisation: MOŽDANI VAL, association for better quality of life after stroke

Name of Responsible Person: AMIRA ŠAFRANIĆ (President) and MAŠA OŽEGOVIĆ (Secretary)

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(if different from above)

Year in which organisation was formed 2016.

Type of Organisation (Federation of groups in Europe, pan-European organisation of individuals, national organisation, organisation for disease with small numbers of patients, etc.)

Please give brief details

Moždani val is a croatian non-governmental organisation with purpose to inform, educate, cooperate and research in order to give the necessary support for managing the stroke consequences, overcoming obstacles in resocialization and raising stroke awareness. It gathers croatian stroke survivors and their family members (or caregivers), as well as people who have personal or professional interest in stroke related themes.

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Alms of organisation (brief description):

Giving the necessary support after stroke by actively informing, educating, researching and cooperating in order to ease the managing with stroke consequences and overcoming obstacles in resocialization.

Names, titles and nationalities of Board members

The Founders of Association and Board members are:

1. Mrs. Amira Šafranić, Croatian
2. Ms. Maša Ožegović, Croatian
3. Mr. Adem Dizdarević, Croatian
4. Mrs. Mirjana Ožegović, Croatian
5. Mr. Antun Šafranić, Croatian
6. Mrs. Barbara Noršić, Croatian
7. Mrs. Antonija Jeđuđ, Croatian
8. Mr. Marek Welle, Croatian and Polish

Other affiliations/memberships

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**Signed on behalf of
(organisation):**

Signature:

Name:

Date:

SECRETARY
Maša Ožegović
MAŠA OŽEGOVIĆ
04. 10. 2019

Please attach a full list of member organisations (if applicable), copy of the Statutes (Constitution), byelaws (if any), latest published accounts, annual report and legal registration (if applicable) of your organisation.

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Year in which organisation was formed	2004

Type of Organisation (Federation of groups in Europe, pan-European organisation of individuals, national organisation, organisation for disease with small numbers of patients, etc.)

Please give brief details

National nongovernmental organization joining efforts of medical specialists and representatives of general population for the purpose of integrating efforts of all involved parties for improving the healthcare system in treating patients with stroke, primary and secondary stroke prevention, rehabilitation of patients after stroke and improving quality of medical and social help for stroke survivors

Aims of organisation (brief description):

To facilitate the implementation of the best practices of the world medical science into medical practice;
To facilitate the improvement of the professional level of medical workers,
To facilitate the development of research studies in the sphere of cerebrovascular diseases;
To facilitate the health-related educational work among the population.

Names, titles and nationalities of Board members

- President: Mykola Polishchuk, MD, professor, DSc., Corresponding member of the National Academy of Medical Sciences of Ukraine, Ukraine
- Executive Director: Maryna Guliaieva, MD, Ukraine
- Foreign Affairs Director: Yuriy Flomin, MD, PhD, Ukraine
- Education, Research and Publishing Director: Dmytro Gulyayev, MD, PhD, Ukraine
- Leader of Stroke Support Subdivision: Roman Shwed, USA/Ukraine

Other affiliations/memberships

UASA is Member of the European Stroke Organization since 2016

**Signed on behalf of
(organisation):**

Ukrainian Anti-Stroke Association

Signature:



Name:

Maryna Guliaieva

Date:

January 29, 2019

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Year in which organisation was formed 1993

Type of Organisation (Federation of groups in Europe, pan-European organisation of individuals, national organisation, organisation for disease with small numbers of patients, etc.)

Please give brief details

National organisation for cerebrovascular diseases (detailed information is in the page of about us)

SAFE Secretariat:

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Aims of organisation (brief description):

Our major objective is to improve and optimise the management of stroke in Turkey by providing medical education to healthcare professionals and the lay public in Turkey. By offering best practice approaches, our goal is to harmonise stroke management in Turkey.

The society is dedicated to the following purposes:

- 1-To increase the information about reasons, protective measures and treatment methods of cerebrovascular diseases;
- 2- To support the developments regarding the disease all around the country and world;
- 3- To provide the communication, information and experience exchanges among health professionals and the others;
- 4- To promote and to reward the ongoing investigations and trials;
- 5- To give financial and emotional support to poor and helpless patients with cerebrovascular diseases.

Names, titles and nationalities of Board members

Prof. Mehmet Akif Topcuoglu MD (President) - TURKEY
Prof. Atilla Ozcan Ozdemir MD (Vice President) - TURKEY
Prof. Canan Togay Isikay MD (Secretary General) - TURKEY
Prof. Bijen Nazliel MD (Treasurer) - TURKEY
Prof. Ethem Murat Arsava MD (Member) - TURKEY
Prof. Erdem Yaka MD (Member) - TURKEY
Prof. Ipek Midi MD (Member) - TURKEY

Other affiliations/memberships

European Stroke Organisation
World Stroke Organization

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**Signed on behalf of
(organisation):**

Turkish Cerebrovascular Diseases Society

Signature:



Name:

Prof. Mehmet Akif TOPCUOGLU, MD

Date:

25th February 2019

Please attach a full list of member organisations (if applicable), copy of the Statutes (Constitution), byelaws (if any), latest published accounts, annual report and legal registration (if applicable) of your organisation.

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Election of the Board members of SAFE

Anita Arsovska

Pnina Rosenzweig

Ivan Milojevic

Derya Uluduz

Hrvoje Jurlina

Application for position of board member of The Stroke Alliance for Europe



Full name:	Anita Arsovska
Name of member organisation:	Macedonian organization for a fight against stroke
Country of member organisation	Republic of North Macedonia

What contribution do you hope to make to SAFE and the stroke patient community as a member of the board?

As a member of the Board, I hope to continue my contribution toward recognizing the difficulties that every stroke patient faces in the acute and in the chronic phase of the disease, respectively. Especially, I feel that I can do more in the life after stroke domain, a neglected field in many communities and countries. I will work to connect the stroke survivor back into life and the community. I hope that I will continue to approach authorities in order to raise awareness for stroke and its risk factors, in order to improve stroke care along its whole pathway. Patients and families should be provided with information, support and access to services throughout transitions to the community following a stroke to optimize the return to life roles and activities.

What personal, expertise and professional strengths will you bring to SAFE and the stroke community? Mention any relevant experience.

I am a Professor of Neurology, dealing with stroke patients in my everyday practice. As a Fellow of the European Stroke Organization, I am actively involved in the activities of the PR and Trials Alliance Committee. In the past decade I have organized many scientific and public events related to stroke. Serving as a SAFE Board member in the past three years has widened my horizons and knowledge regarding my personal responsibilities and influence regarding the life after stroke. It has been a valuable experience that I am going to upgrade, in order to provide my services to the stroke survivors.

How would your election to the SAFE board benefit your organisation?

I will transfer the knowledge to the members of my organization and share the latest information that I will gain, so we can enhance our activities, aimed to improve the life and rights of the stroke patients. Our organization will become more efficient and brave, and our activities will become more visible and influential to the relevant authorities in my country.

CV- Anita Arsovska

I Personal data

1. Date and place of birth: 15/11/1970, Skopje, Macedonia
2. Address at work: University Clinic of Neurology, Medical Faculty, University Ss Cyril and Methodius, Bul. MajkaTereza 17, 1000 Skopje, Macedonia
3. Address at home: ul. Pavel Shatev 10/32, 1000 Skopje, Macedonia
4. Mobile phone number: 00389 71 387 322
5. E-mail: anita70mk@yahoo. com
6. Nationalities: Macedonian

II Current position

- Professor of Neurology, Medical Faculty, University Ss Cyril and Methodius, Skopje, Macedonia
- Neurologist, Head of Department for Urgent Neurology, University Clinic of Neurology, Skopje, Macedonia
- President of the Macedonian Neurology Society
- Board member of Stroke Alliance for Europe (SAFE)
- Board member of Macedonian Organization for a fight against stroke
- Fellow of European Stroke Organization (ESO), member of Public Relation Committee and Trials Alliance Committee
- Chief Editor of Physicians Newsletter, issued monthly by the Macedonian Physicians Society

III Education and qualifications

- 2014 - Professor in Neurology
- 2009 - President of Macedonian Neurology Society
- 2009- Assistant Professor in Neurology
- 2007-PhD in Medicine, title of the thesis: Transcranial color duplex sonography in patients with ischemic cerebrovascular insult, clinical-radiology study with magnetic resonance angiography
- 2005- Head of Department for Urgent Neurology
- 2002- MrSci in Medicine, title of the thesis: Comparative analysis between color duplex sonography and angiography findings of the extracranial segments of the carotid arteries
- 2001-Specialist in Neurology
- 1996- Assistant in Neurology
- 1996- Employed at the University Clinic of Neurology
- 1994- Graduated at the Medical Faculty, University Ss Cyril and Methodius

IV Study visits

2017- University Clinic of Neurology, Clinical Center Eppendorf, Hamburg, Germany
2014- University of Sacred Heart, Agostino Gemelli Hospital, Department of Neurology, Stroke Unit, Rome, Italy
2010- Christian Doppler University Clinic of Neurology, Salzburg, Austria
2009- University Clinic of Neurology, Stroke Unit, Lausanne, Switzerland
2001- University Clinic of Neurology, Doppler Unit, Muenster, Germany

2000- University Clinic of Neurology, Doppler Unit, Greifswald, Germany
1995- University Clinic of Neurology, Department of Neurophysiology, Lund, Sweden
1995- University Clinic of Neurology, Rio de Janeiro, Brasil

V Educational seminars and schools

2018- Stroke Action Plan for Europe Meeting, Munich, Germany
2017- 6th ESO Guideline Development Workshop, Munich, Germany
2017- Angels Initiative- Train the trainer Workshop, Mainz, Germany
2017-SITS –EAST Meeting, Stockholm, Sweden
2017- Simulation Course on Acute Stroke Management, Milan, Italy
2013- Thrombolysis course, University Clinic of Neurology, Belgrade, Serbia
2013- Regional teaching course, European Academy of Neurology, Ohrid, Macedonia
2009- Epileptology Course, Eilat, Israel
2009- Epileptology School, Granavollen, Norway
2009- AAF Salzburg Neurology Seminar, Salzburg, Austria
2008- ERS research seminar, Davos, Switzerland
2008- ESO Stroke Summer School, Morgue, Switzerland
2008- Epileptology School, San Servolo, Italy
2008- Epileptology School, Tune, Denmark

VI Conferences, congresses and symposia

Invited speaker at

- V European Stroke Organization Conference, Milan, Italy, 2019
- V European Academy of Neurology Congress, Oslo, Norway, 2019
- 30th Stroke Summer School, Dubrovnik, Croatia, 2019
- II Neuropsychopharmacology Congress with international participation, Nish, Serbia, 2019
- V Congress of the Bulgarian Society for Neurosonology with international participation, Sofia, Bulgaria, 2019
- XII/XVIII Serbian Neurology Congress with international participation, Belgrade, Serbia, 2018
- 29th Stroke Summer School, Dubrovnik, Croatia, 2018
- XII Acute Stroke Symposium, Ljubljana, Slovenia, 2018
- 54 Turkish Neurology Congress with international participation, Kemer, Turkey, 2018
- XI/XVII Serbian Neurology Congress with international participation, Belgrade, Serbia, 2017
- XI Acute Stroke Symposium, Ljubljana, Slovenia, 2017
- International Neuropsychiatry Congress Pula, Croatia, 2017
- 53 Turkish Neurology Congress with international participation, Kemer, Turkey, 2017
- VI Macedonian Neurology Congress with international participation, Ohrid, Macedonia, 2016
- V Macedonian Neurology Congress with international participation, Ohrid, Macedonia, 2012

VII Publications

- Published more than 75 abstracts, presented at congresses and conferences at home and abroad, 40 papers and 9 books (author and co-author) in the field of Neurology

VIII Awards and grants

- Awards and diplomas from the Macedonian Neurology Society
- Recipient of grants by the Eraweb, Tempus Phare Program, European Respiratory Society, Asian-Pacific Respiratory Society, European Federation of Neurological Societies

IX Membership

- Stroke Alliance for Europe (SAFE)- Board Member
- Fellow of European Stroke Organization-ESO
- World Stroke Organization-WSO
- European Academy of Neurology (EAN)
- World Federation of Neurology (WFN)
- Macedonian Neurology Society (President)
- Macedonian Medical Chamber
- Editorial board of Journal of Clinical and Experimental Neuroscience, Journal of Neurophysiology and Neurological disorders, Journal of Neuroscience and Behavioral Health, Archives of Neurology and Neuro Disorders

X Reviewer

- Macedonian Medical Journal, Actamorphologica, Neuropsychiatric Disease and Treatment, Clinical Epidemiology, Vascular Health and Risk Management, Patient Preference and Adherence, Drug Design, Development and Therapy, Journal of the Spine, International Journal of Women's Health, Annals of Indian Academy of Neurology.

XI Languages

- English

Macedonian Organization for a fight against Stroke

Maja Bozhinovska, MD, Neurologist, President of the Macedonian organization for a fight against Stroke

LETTER OF SUPPORT

The Macedonian Organization for a fight against Stroke fully supports the application of Prof. Dr. Anita Arsovska for a SAFE Board Member and allows the time for her board member duties.

Maja Bozhinovska, MD, President of the Macedonian Organization for fight against Stroke



Application for position of board member of The Stroke Alliance for Europe



Full name:	Pnina Rosenzweig
Name of member organisation:	Neeman, Stroke Survivors organization
Country of member organisation:	Israel

What contribution do you hope to make to SAFE and the stroke patient community as a member of the board?

Bringing my experience of managing organization that has grown and gained influence over the years to new organizations that are in their founding and development stages.

What personal, expertise and professional strengths will you bring to SAFE and the stroke community? Mention any relevant experience.

My professional training and experience included social worker studies, establishment, and managing Public Relations and the community relation Department of an international technology company in Israel. Intel.

This experience allowed me to understand the needs of the community, which I worked with and developed solutions for them. On the other hand, I established an effective system, set vision and goals over time, influence government decision makers, raised, and managed budgets and work force that enabled us to achieve our set goals.

This experience has enabled me to build and develop Neeman Association as a professional organization with advanced professional tools based on goals and a control system and thus succeed.

How would your election to the SAFE board benefit your organisation?

The Participation in Safe board allows me to learn from my colleagues in management new ways to achieve the goals of the organization. Understand the big picture of advancing stroke management goals and tailoring the processes and the ideas to the needs of the community of Israel and Neeman

Pnina Rosenzweig

Personal Information:

Address: 7 Rehov Atad, Neve Savyon, Or Yehuda, Israel

Phone: 972 - 523-293181

Date of Birth: 20/05/1950

Education:

1975 -1971 B.A in Social Work, Tel Aviv University

2004 -2002 M.A in Gender Studies, at the Lesley College

Work Experience:

2004 - CEO of Neeman Association for Stroke Survivors, Israel

Responsibility and achievements:

Leading strategy and a national stroke program to lower the incidence of stroke, ensure acute care for all and provide rehabilitation of victims and their families.

Lobbying and raising awareness towards stroke amongst the public and decision makers, by leading national campaigns for awareness of risk factors and early warning signs of stroke.

Establishment and running of 16 Social Clubs for stroke survivors around the country.

Managing a national information and support telephone service to stroke victims and their families.

Fundraising and ensuring the economic strength of the organization.

Managing a staff of 4 employees and 100 volunteers

1987-2002 - Management of Community and Government Relations at Intel, Israel

Responsibility for the company's activities for the community, public relations and advertising, managing contacts with the government. Managing a staff of 6 people and a large budget.

Human Resources Management of the Intel plant in Jerusalem

1987- 1985: Human Resources Coordinator at Israel Discount Bank

1983-1985: Social Services Manager at Tadiran Company

1980-1983: Social Worker Military Industries

1976-1980: Community Social Worker in Tel Aviv Municipality

Languages: Hebrew (mother tongue) English (proficient in reading and writing)



To: Safe Board

27.10.19

We hereby confirm our agreeing to Pnina Rosenzweig application for board membership, and agreeing to allow the time for her board member duties.

יושב ראש

Sincerely

פרופ' נתן בורנשטיין

Natan Bornstein
Chairman

מנכ"ל

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Application for position of board member of The Stroke Alliance for Europe



Full name:	Ivan Milojevic
Name of member organisation:	Udruzenje Mozdani udar.
Country of member organisation:	Serbia.

What contribution do you hope to make to SAFE and the stroke patient community as a member of the board?

Last three years I am on position SAFE BM Eastern European countries cluster representative. Knowing the EE region so well, I also know what needs to be done so the members can grow and help make a change. Advocating a change is not a one-man job, so we need to form a network of regional SSOs if we want to better the position of the stroke survivors and the HCPs in our region.

What personal, expertise and professional strengths will you bring to SAFE and the stroke community? Mention any relevant experience.

Last 10 years, like a Neurologist with a special interest in the care and treatment of urgent neurologic conditions, mostly strokes, I work with stroke patients and their families and every day I can see their problems and needs. I am aware that if you are only doctor, you can't have enough wide pictures of all their problems and needs. On the other hand, last 8 years I am very active in Serbian Stroke Association. From that point of view I can realize all difficulties better and without modest I can see myself like warrior for patient's rights in my country (long-term rehabilitation, life after stroke, etc.) Last 3 years I had a pleasure to be a part of SAFE team (active role in SEAP, Angels Initiative, SSOF)

How would your election to the SAFE board benefit your organisation?

First, the clear benefit for my organization is possibility to people from my organization to be updated with many information from SAFE. During period of last three year, thanks to position BM of SAFE, we have achieved better contact with politicians and DM in my country.

Documents you need to submit together with your application	
<input type="checkbox"/>	A letter from your organisation agreeing to your application for board membership, and agreeing to allow the time for your board member duties
<input type="checkbox"/>	A recent curriculum vitae.

Curriculum Vitae

Ivan Milojević

1. **Family name:** Milojević
2. **First name(s):** Ivan
3. **Date of birth:** June 8, 1974
4. **Nationality:** Serbian
5. **Civil status:** Married, two children
6. **Address:** Kneza Mihaila 11, 35230 Čuprija, Serbia
7. **Contact details:** email: milojevici2002@yahoo.com; cell. +381 60 7465353

6. Education:

Institution From / To	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• University of Kragujevac, Faculty of Medical Sciences, PhD studies in Neurosciences (Oct2014 / present)• Neurological Clinic, Clinical Centre of Serbia, University of Belgrade (oct2005 / Oct2010)• University of Belgrade, Faculty of Medicine (Oct1993 / June2001)
Degree(s)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Specialist degree on neurology (Oct2010)• Medical Doctor (June 2001)

7. Language skills*

Language	A1-C2
Serbian	Native
English	B2
French	A2

According to "Common European Framework of Reference for Languages: Learning, Teaching, Assessment"

9. **Interests and public engagement:** NGO activist in field of stroke
Co-founder and Vice President of the NGO 'Serbian Stroke Association (Udruženje Moždani Udar);
www.mozdaniudar.org.rs
10. **Other skills:** MS Office,
Driving license since 1992
11. **Key Qualifications:**
 - Relevant experience in neurology, especially in cerebrovascular disease
 - Experience in NGO field, working in Serbian Stroke Association, work in a difficult environment, team work, creating a friendly working atmosphere within the team, negotiating skills, multitasking, acting positively, seeking pragmatic solutions, networking skills, easy-to-approach.
 - Clear setting of priorities, solving problems in a constructive way, experienced in delegating tasks to other members of the team, taking into consideration their roles in respective projects and assuring coordination and coherence of individual actions.

12. Professional experience:

Date: from / to	October 2010 - present
Location:	Ćuprija, Serbia
Company:	Department of neurology General Hospital Ćuprija
Position:	neurologist
Date: from / to	October 2017 - present
Location:	Ćuprija, Serbia
Company:	College of applied Health sciences Ćuprija
Position:	lecturer
Date: from / to	October 2005- October 2010
Location:	Belgrade, Serbia
Company:	Neurological Clinic, Clinical Centre of Serbia, University of Belgrade
Position:	resident

Date: from / to	June 2001 –September 2005
Location:	Ćuprija, Serbia
Company:	ER General Hospital Ćuprija
Position:	ER medical doctor

13. Other relevant information:

SAPE	2018, Munich, Germany
Anticoagulation Education Task Force.	2015, Mainz, Germany
PRačka (PR training)	2015, Belgrade, Serbia
PRIMUS study	2015 – 2018, Serbia
SETIS (SITS MOST) study	2010 – present, Serbia
EEG Education	2010-11, Belgrade, Serbia

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23.10.2019. godine u Beogradu

Dear Sir/Madam

Our organization will be honored with dr Ivan Milojevic application for board membership a we agree with that application.

Also, we will allow the time for his board member duties.

N. Nikolic



Nenad Niloić
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Application for position of board member of The Stroke Alliance for Europe



Full name: Derya ULUDUZ.
Name of member organisation: BEYINDER
Country of member organisation: TURKEY.

What contribution do you hope to make to SAFE and the stroke patient community as a member of the board?

I can provide better insight to SAFE into specifics of my country and region, thus contributing to more effective communication, campaigning and implementation of various actions/ projects.

As a stroke medical professional, I can also contribute by reviewing medical information in materials that SAFE is producing, like I did in the SAFE Angels project in 2018/19.

What personal, expertise and professional strengths will you bring to SAFE and the stroke community? Mention any relevant experience.

I strongly believe that increasing the awareness, primary prevention, life after stroke is as important as acute management including thrombolysis and thrombectomy and I definitely want to do some actions and activities on patients side as well as increasing population awareness.

I am both a University professor and a patient advocate- I know the story from both ends and I know how to convince people to take action.

I have exceptionally good relationship with Turkish Ministry of Health.

I believe new ways of communication are very important for reaching wider audience, so I am very active in social networks. I have 18.500 followers on Instagram, 22.000 on Facebook and 2.682 on Twitter as well.

Our organisation already started with a health education programme in the eastern part of Turkey, where they are really enthusiastic and will continue to educate public. I am about to start a TV show about influencing public for primary prevention in brain health particularly stroke.

Beinder will also start School for children about brain health and various stroke educational programmes in other Turkish cities.

How would your election to the SAFE board benefit your organisation?

Our organisation, BEYINDER, will get more international visibility for our projects. My participation in SAFE Board would increase the profile of our organisation both in our country and abroad. We will be able to access important information right from the source, rather than hearing about it in second-hand.

CURRICULUM VITAE / BIBLIOGRAPHY

Derya ULUDÜZ, M.D

Last update: 08.05.2019



1. PERSONAL INFORMATION:

Date of birth: January,11, 1973
Place of birth: TURKEY
Citizenship: Republic of Turkey

2. PRESENT ACADEMIC RANK AND POSITION:

Prof MD-Neurology department-Algology Division /Vascular Neurology Division

3. PAST RESEARCH AND ACADEMIC EXPERIENCES:

YEAR(s)	INSTITUTION AND LOCATION	DEGREE	FIELD
1991 – 1997	Medical school and Internship Istanbul University, Istanbul School of Medicine	M.D.	
1999 - 2004	Residency Istanbul University, Cerrahpasa School of Medicine	Neurologist (in Turkey)	Neurology
2004- 2011	Istanbul University, Cerrahpasa School of Medicine	Consultant in neurology	
2011-2017	Istanbul University, Cerrahpasa School of Medicine	Ass Prof	Neurology
2017-	Istanbul University, Cerrahpasa School of Medicine	Prof MD	Neurology
2013-	Cerrahpasa School of Medicine Neurology	Vascular neurology certificated Algology Certificate	
2013-	Cerrahpasa School of Medicine Neurology		

4. CLINICAL PRACTICE, INTERESTS, AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Stroke
Headaches

5. POSTAL ADDRESS

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Past Assignments and Areas of expertise

In 2012, has conducted studies in the field of cerebrovascular diseases as a fellow at United States University of Minnesota Vascular Neurology.

Professional Positions and Tasks

2011 - İstanbul University Cerrahpaşa Faculty of Medicine, Department of Neurology
2013 - İstanbul University Cerrahpaşa Faculty of Medicine, Department of Vascular Neurology
2014 - 2015 İstanbul University Cerrahpaşa Faculty of Medicine, National Medical Education Accreditation (UTEAK) Self-Evaluation Board Committee Member
2014-2015 European Union Projects (Horizon 2020) Member of the Evaluation Committee for Child Neurology Projects
2015 - 2019 Turkish Journal of Cerebrovascular Diseases editorial board membership
2015 - Turkish Journal of Clinics editorial board membership
2016 - 2019 İstanbul University Cerrahpaşa Faculty of Medicine, Commission Chair of National and International Relations
2016-2019 İstanbul University Cerrahpaşa Faculty of Medicine, ERASMUS Coordinator
2016 - 2019 İstanbul University Cerrahpaşa Faculty of Medicine, Neurology 5th Term Undergraduate Education Coordinator
2016 - 2019 İstanbul University Cerrahpaşa Faculty of Medicine, Neurology 3001 Board Undergraduate Education Coordinator
2016 - Turkish Neurology Society Editorial Board Member
2018- European Stroke Association -Committee board member of Public relations
2019- Active member of EAST group of European Stroke Organisation (ESO)
2017- Founder and still chair of Türkiye İnme Hasta Derneği BEYİNDER (Stroke Patient Association for Turkey).
2017- International Headache Society- Director of Lifting the Burden Subgroup
2019- Turkish representative in European Headache Society
2019-Board member of the national headache society

Memberships in Scientific Organizations:

International

European Stroke Association (ESO)
European Stroke Association-Member of the Executive Committee of Public Relations
European Stroke Association- Active member of the EAST group
Stroke Alliance For Europe (SAFE)-National representative of Turkey
International Headache Society
International Headache Society- Director of Lifting the Burden
International Headache Society- Pediatric Subgroup Board Member
European Headache Federation- Active member and a national representative of Turkey

National

Founder and still chair of Türkiye İnme Hasta Derneği BEYİNDER (Stroke Patient Association for Turkey).
The Turkish Neurological Society
The Turkish Neurological Society, Turkish Society Against Epilepsy
The Turkish Neurological Society, Headache Working Group

Turkish Neurology Society, Vice President of Child Neurology Working Group
Turkish Neurological Society, Epidemiology Working Group



BEYİNDER

BEYİN DAMAR HASTALIKLARI
HASTA DERNEĞİ

22 Oct 2019

To Stroke Alliance for Europe (SAFE),

We as BEYİNDER inform you that we are supporting Prof Deniz Uludağ for the application for position of Board member, and agree to allow the time for her board member duties.

BEYİNDER Board



BEYİNDER Board

Sümer Mahallesi

Prof Dr Turan Güneş Cd No2
Zeytinburnu İstanbul Turkey

**Application for position of board member of
The Stroke Alliance for Europe**



Full name:	Hrvoje Jurlina
Name of member organisation:	Croatian Stroke Society
Country of member organisation:	Croatia

What contribution do you hope to make to SAFE and the stroke patient community as a member of the board?

As a stroke survivor, a main care giver to a stroke survivor (my father) and as a Family Physician I have specific insight regarding stroke itself and to the stroke survivors needs. I hope that my personal experience as well as my education can be effectively used to promote the rights of stroke patients and their families in order to achieve biopsychosocial wellbeing for all stroke survivors and their families.

What personal, expertise and professional strengths will you bring to SAFE and the stroke community? Mention any relevant experience.

My experience, expertise and professional strength regarding stroke can only be described as a highly specific three-dimensional view on stroke itself. Five years ago I survived my own hemorrhagic stroke. Two years ago I became my fathers' main care giver /stroke advocate after he survived a massive stroke and became bedridden. He passed away ten months after his stroke due to complications related to the stroke itself. Finally, as a Family Physician one of my main goals is the prevention of illnesses through the promotion of health. Being at the primary health care level I am the first level of contact for individuals, family members, and the community and as such I address the main health problems in the community, providing health promotion, preventive, curative and rehabilitative services according to their specific needs. This puts me on the front lines and in constant contact with stroke survivors and their families.

How would your election to the SAFE board benefit your organisation?

The Croatian Stroke Society was founded in 1997 and from that moment our task has been to prevent the onset of stroke in high risk individuals, to improve the diagnosis of stroke through modern up to date diagnostic methods, as well as creating a medical/ social system that will provide adequate treatment/ support and rehabilitation for stroke survivors and their families. My election to the SAFE board would only strengthen our organizations resolve to provide a means for all stroke survivors to achieve their true biopsychosocial potential.

Documents you need to submit together with your application

<input type="checkbox"/>	A letter from your organisation agreeing to your application for board membership, and agreeing to allow the time for your board member duties
<input type="checkbox"/>	A recent curriculum vitae.

Personal Information

Name: **Hrvoje Jurlina, dr. med.**

Address: **Ulica Ive Serdara 52 , 10000, Zagreb, Croatia**

Email: hrvjurlina@gamil.com

Phone: **00385 91 5318737**

Citizenship: **Croatian, Canadian**

Date and place of birth: **21.03.1975. Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada**

Work Experience

2017- : **Second Vice President of The Croatian Stroke Society**

2012- : **Coroner for Zagreb County**

2009- : **Doctor of Family Medicine, Community Health Center Zagreb County**

Educational Background

2015-2019: **Residency program in Family medicine** (Specialized doctor of family Medicine)

1995-2008 : **M.D. degree, School of Medicine, University of Zagreb, Croatia**

1993-1995 : **Faculty of Science, Bachelor of Science, Simon Fraser University, Burnaby, B.C., Canada**

1988-1993 : **Notre Dame Regional Secondary School, Vancouver, B.C. , Canada**
(Ministry of Educations Honours Standing Award)



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Zagreb, October 28th, 2019.

SAFE BOARD ELECTIONS – HRVOJE JURLINA

I, Hrvoje Budinčević, president of The Croatian Stroke Society, hereby agree to allow dr. Hrvoje Jurlina, second vicepresident of The Croatian Stroke Society to submit his application for board membership elections to be held in Porto during the SAFE Working Conference and General Assembly 2019 and hereby agree to allow the time needed for board member duties, if elected.

Hrvoje Budinčević

President of the Croatian Stroke Society (HDPMU)



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Election of the Officers of SAFE

Anita Arsovska, Vice President

Marina Charalambous, Secretary

Application for officer position for The Stroke Alliance for Europe



Full name:	Anita Arsovska
Name of member organisation:	Macedonian organization for a fight against stroke
Country of member organisation:	North Macedonia

What officer position are you applying for on the SAFE Board?

I am applying for a position of a Vice-President.

Have you read the job description for this position?

Yes, I have read the job description for this position.

What personal, expertise and professional strengths will you bring to this position? Mention any relevant experience.

I am a Neurologist, Head of Department for Urgent Neurology at the University Clinic of Neurology and Professor of Neurology at the Medical Faculty, University Ss Cyril and Methodius in Skopje, North Macedonia. I am applying for the position of Vice-President of SAFE 2019-2022. As this position requires passion, motivation, creativity, dedication, social, communication and leadership skills and with my three years of identical work experience serving as a SAFE Board member, I am confident in my abilities to provide the utmost level of services to this position in SAFE. Since 2011, I have been serving as a President of the Macedonian Neurology Society and have organized many scientific meetings, workshops, teaching courses (for example Regional Teaching Course of the European Academy of Neurology-EAN) and two Neurology congresses with international participation. I am one of the co-founders of the Macedonian organization for a fight against stroke- a stroke support organization, active member of SAFE. Together with my colleagues and stroke survivors, I have done many public activities for raising stroke awareness (campaigns, interviews, articles etc). Since 2012 I have been actively involved in organizing and promoting public activities on the occasion of World Stroke Day, supporting the World Stroke Campaign and European Stroke Day, respectively. My skills were brushed even more when I became member (in 2016) and afterwards Fellow of the European Stroke Organization (ESO) (in 2017). My position as a member of the Public Relation Committee, Membership Committee and Trials Alliance

Committee enabled me to actively communicate and interact with colleagues, share mutual experience and widen my horizons. It helped me to enhance my knowledge and my skills in all areas regarding stroke (from primary prevention to life after stroke). As a matter of fact, as a representative of SAFE, I was a member of the Domain group "Management for Acute Stroke", one of the 7 working groups that wrote the Stroke Action Plan for Europe 2018-2030 document. Last year, during the ESO Conference in Gothenburg, Sweden, I was awarded a Gold Status by ESO Angels Awards Q1 2018 on behalf of the University Clinic of Neurology Skopje, as an acknowledgement for individual&team commitment to quality improvement in stroke practice and establishment of a continued monitoring of stroke care. If I am selected for the position of a Vice President of SAFE, it will give me an opportunity to gain new experiences on my own but also will give me a brilliant chance to participate in activities to accomplish the SAFE's mission and vision. I would like to avail this opportunity and to bring out the best of the skills and confidence in me so I can represent the voice of the stroke survivor with dignity.

**Application for officer position for
The Stroke Alliance for Europe**

Full name: MARINA CHARALAMBOUS

Name of member organisation:
CYPRUS STROKE ASSOCIATION

Country of member organisation: CYPRUS

What officer position are you applying for on the SAFE Board?

SECRETARY

Have you read the job description for this position?

YES

What personal, expertise and professional strengths will you bring to this position? Mention any relevant experience.

I have replaced the position of the SECRETARY from December 2018 until now at the Board, therefore I have experienced the obligations of this position

