

Letter from the President



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Dear EAHIL Colleagues,

This is the time of year when you look back on what happened during the year and try to look ahead at what the new year might bring. The very successful Trondheim event was one of my professional highlights of 2023. Among the things you'd instead not remember, I'd put our recurring website problems. For unknown reasons, the web goes down repeatedly, and our hosting company has not been able to solve it. In addition, the company has informed us that they will change their offer – and price – “in the near future”. The EAHIL Executive Board has been looking at an alternative solution. At the time of writing, we have ongoing discussions with a web provider. We will hopefully be able to migrate the website and additional services from the old hosting company shortly.

This year, the EAHIL mentoring program has been launched. We are delighted that the program has attracted much interest, and it will be interesting to follow how it develops.

Looking into the future, we have an exciting 2024 ahead of us, with the event in Riga in June. The IPC and the LOC are working hard to make it a successful event. The conference's theme is "Small Step and a Giant Leap: Reorienting Towards a New Environment" and builds on the inspiring ideas of EAHIL 2023 in Trondheim. Please visit <https://eahil2024.rsu.lv/> for more information. I would also like to remind you to apply for a scholarship to attend the conference. The scholarships will be announced in our usual channels.

Next year is also an election year. During spring, we will elect the President and Board members, and in the autumn, we will elect Council members. Information about the election process will be forthcoming, but it's not too early to start thinking about who you'd like to see on the Board for the coming 2-4 years. Perhaps it is your contribution we need!

Last but not least, I'm delighted to announce that we now have a host for the 2025 event, which will be held in Lodz, Poland.

We still need to secure locations for the EAHIL events from 2026 onwards. Since our yearly events are our Association's main activities, and the planning timeline for an event is approximately two years, it's time to start considering submitting an expression of interest. It should be sent to EAHIL-SECR@LIST.ECOMPASS.NL. Please refer to <http://eahil.eu/events/arrange-conference/> for event guidelines, and feel free to contact other Board members or me for discussion and support.

I am looking forward to hearing from you.

With wishes for a happy and healthy 2024!