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Dear ESAM Member,

my main scientific interest has always been space physiology, which I have been teaching at the Sapienza University in Rome for some 15 years until the activity of the Postgraduate School of Aerospace Medicine was "temporarily" frozen under the pressure of Italian financial crisis.

I have also served AIMAS (the Italian Association of Aerospace Medicine) as Vice-President for the last ten years and I am really happy and honoured to have a chance to share my interest in microgravity with many colleagues across the widest spectrum of ESAM community.

The other issue I have dedicated my professional career to for over 30 years is diabetes education and treatment and that's why during the last 10 years I have been trying to let EASA, and the layman as well, know that there is no need any more to qualify *a priori* as unfit insulin requiring pilots provided most recent progress in diagnostics and technology are complied with.

I have been serving as and EC member for two terms, the last as the Secretary General and I hope your vote will allow me to go for my third and last term either as the Secretary General again or in whichever position you prefer me to serve.

This way I might go on with the above mentioned activities within ESAM as well as grant experience and continuity to the EC now that new enthusiastic people are also expected to come in and provide ESAM with their valuable knowledge and skills.

Ad maiora!

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