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# Affiliation and Association Program





# ESH and National Societies

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- Joint activities
  - Annual Summer and Winter Schools, Specialist programme, Travelling Master Courses, Network of Excellence Centres, Research fellowships
- New developments
  - Forum for National Societies, participation in ESH Meetings and Activities
- Affiliation and Association program



# Affiliation and Association Programme: Objectives

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- To strenght links with National Societies
- To help the National Societies in the development and activities
- To increase ESH visibility across Europe and in front of the EU authorities
- To expand educational and scientific activities



# Affiliation: Definition

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- Official recognition to the National Societies of the European Region which would like to be part of and participate in the regular activities of the ESH
- Purpose is to promote the interests of science through definite and formal cooperation with all European scientific societies



# Affiliation: Rationale

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- To be officially recognized as part of ESH
- To ensure continuity and unity in the purpose and aims with the ESH
- To facilitate working relationships in the pursuit of the ESH goals
- To define the basic protocols of the affiliates' working relationship with ESH, the latter being the umbrella organization
- To promote mutual encouragement, stimulation, and perspective in research and clinical care of hypertension and hypertension-related vascular risk



# Affiliation: Benefits for the National Societies

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- Annual Meetings of the National Societies which fulfil the criteria of the ESH, even national activities, can be given the endorsement of the ESH.
- National Societies can use the ESH logo in their documents
- Representative persons from the affiliated can invited to participate in the Annual Meeting of the ESH
- One representative of the affiliated Societies will be selected and incorporate to the Council
- Others to developed



# Affiliation: Which Societies can apply

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- National Hypertension Societies of the European Region including middle and east-European countries registered in their own country
- National Vascular risk Societies of the European Region including middle and east-European countries registered in their own country



# Affiliation: Requirements

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- Letter of Application for ESH Affiliation addressed to the ESH Secretary and signed by the current President with the agreement of the National Board.
- Copy of Constitution and By-laws
- List of Officers and Members
- List of Programmes and Activities





# Affiliation: Procedures

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- Submission of the required documents to the ESH Secretary.
  - The Officer reviews the completeness of documents and forwards the application to the ESH Council.
  - The Board of ESH Council reviews and evaluates the application. The Board may require additional information to the applying party as they deem necessary. If no additional requirements are necessary, the Board will communicate to the National Society the decision that should await confirmation by the General Assembly.
  - The preliminary approval by the Board will receive formal approval in the annual General Assembly
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# Affiliation: Withdrawal

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- Affiliation can be resolved by the decision of the National Society or the ESH Scientific Council

# Association: Definition

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- ESH Association is an official recognition given by the ESH to the National Societies, their Federations or Alliances or other International Organizations devoted to hypertension-related vascular risk which would like to participate in the regular activities of the ESH

# Association: Rationale

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- To be officially recognized as associated to ESH
- To ensure continuity and unity in the purpose and aims with the ESH
- To facilitate working relationships in the pursuit of the ESH goals
- To promote mutual encouragement, encouragement, stimulation, and perspective in research, clinical care and education on hypertension and hypertension-related vascular risk

# Association: Benefits for the National Societies

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- Activities of the National Societies which fulfil the criteria of the ESH, even for national and regional activities, can be given the endorsement of the ESH
- National Societies can use the ESH logo with the inscription of “associated to ESH” in their documents
- Others to develop

# Association: Which Societies can apply

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- National Hypertension Societies from outside Europe registered in their own country
- National Vascular risk Societies from outside Europe registered in their own country
- Federations or Alliances of National Hypertension Societies or National Vascular Risk Societies, or other recognized International Organizations devoted to hypertension-related vascular risk from outside Europe

# Association: Requirements

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- List of Programmes and Activities

# Association: Procedures

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  - The Officer reviews the completeness of documents and forwards the application to the ESH Council.
  - The Board of ESH Council reviews and evaluates the application. The Board may require additional information to the applying party as they deem necessary. If no additional requirements are necessary, the Board will communicate to the National Society, Federation, Alliance or recognized International Organization the decision that should await confirmation in the General Assembly
  - The preliminary approval by the Board will receive formal approval in the annual General Assembly
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# Association: Withdrawal

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- Association can be resolved by the decision of any of the counterparts