



To the EAA member societies,

Dear member society board,

Since this is the first message of the new EAA board after the elections in May, we would like to start by expressing our appreciation of the confidence that you have put in us for leading the EAA.

One of our main focus will be the branding of EAA with all acousticians in Europe through strengthening our conference and symposium series (starting with FA next year) and by increasing our presence in social media.

Today, we would like to draw your attention to a few points of immediate concern:

1. The call for the position of permanent secretary has been launched. You will find the announcement and requirements in the attached document. We would appreciate if you could circulate this to potential candidates.
2. The former EAA board has created a mentoring program (<https://euracoustics.org/products/mentoring/>). We would like to strengthen this program to provide young researchers and professionals with an effective support in their professional path, from early to advanced stages. We are thus encouraging Senior Members of the EAA to make themselves available for this role, of which duties and application procedure are detailed on the aforementioned website.

The enrollment in the mentoring program is encouraged in view of the 10th Convention of the European Acoustics Association, Forum Acusticum 2023, which will be held in Turin, from the 11th to 15th of September 2023. Therefore, we would really appreciate to receive a wide response to this call for enrollment.

The Convention will be the occasion to meet in presence the mentees, thanks to a booking service organized by YAN. The deadline for candidacy to be a mentor in time for us to organize a meeting in Turin with one or two mentees, is the 30th of April 2023. Please access the EAA website and fill in the form. You will be informed by the 31st of August 2023 about the schedule of your meetings with maximum two mentees, which will take place during the Forum Acusticum 2023.

3. Finally, we would like to remind you of the calls for proposals for Euroregio 2024 and Euronoise 2025. In particular if you are considering proposing for Euronoise 2025, we would appreciate a prior call to explore the opportunity for extending the scope of the conference.

On behalf of the board,
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