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Call for membership

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**To: IFCC Full Member Societies' National Representatives
IFCC Affiliate Societies' Representatives
IFCC Corporate Members' Representatives**

Dear All,

As you might be already aware of, IFCC back in 2020 created a **Task Force on Global Lab Quality (TF-GLQ)**.

The TF-GLQ is dedicated to improve quality, particularly through the implementation of IQC- and EQA-programs, in Clinical Laboratories, with a primary focus on developing countries.

Scope & Mandate

The TF-GLQ is entrusted with the following key responsibilities:

- Develop IQC and EQA Programs for resource-limited IFCC member countries.
- Conduct on-site trainings / workshops in resource-limited IFCC member countries.
- Identify vendors (sponsors) of IQC- and EQA-materials and related software for such programs.
- Manage these IQC-and EQA-programs (develop written recommendations, monitor success and satisfaction, data analysis, learnings and provide such learnings to the global Clin Chem community).
- Development of the IFCC Quality Guidelines Database.
- Publish papers on general and specific Lab Quality topics (i.e., IQC, EQA, practise recommendation of standards).
- Develop IQC and EQA training materials for eAcademy, IFCC Webinars and other related publications.
- Become contact point for questions concerning Lab Quality related questions (general and IQC- and EQA-specific).

At the end of December 2026 Chair, Vice-Chair and Secretary and Members will finish their 2nd term. With this letter we are now calling for nominations for the positions below:

- 1 Chair
- 1 Vice Chair and Secretary
- 5 TF members
- 1 Corporate Member representative.

The Chair, Vice Chair and Secretary and members of the Task Force will be selected by the EB from among the nominees.

The candidates should have extensive experience in the area of work of the Task Force. For further information, please visit: <https://ifcc.org/executive-board-and-council/eb-task-forces/task-force-on-global-lab-quality/>

Much of the work of the Task Force is conducted by email, but TF-GLQ meets monthly via Zoom and in person once per year.

IFCC Full/Affiliate Societies and Corporate Members are invited to nominate experts in the field of GLQ to join this important Task Force. The 1st term of office will be January 2027-December 2029, with the possibility of renewal for a second term.

Nominations should be directly sent to Silvia Cardinale at the IFCC Office (cardinale@ifcc.org) by **July 10th, 2026**.

The information must include:

- A formal letter explaining the nominee's interest in the position and the contribution that can be expected from the candidate, particularly highlighting the issues which could be important for his/her selection;
- A short CV
- Support letter on behalf of the Full/Affiliate nominating Society or Corporate Member's Representative.

Task Force members will be selected from nominations received based on expertise in GLQ as demonstrated by high quality publications, activities, meetings attended/organized in the field. These are the most important criterion for selection of Task Force members. Candidates that have not been selected should indicate their will to become corresponding members of the Task Force.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tomris Ozben', written in a cursive style.

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IFCC President