Dear All,

The IFCC Executive Board recently launched a very important new program to develop and disseminate best practice recommendations/guidelines in all areas of clinical laboratory medicine and facilitate implementation in clinical laboratories worldwide. After extensive consultation with IFCC Divisions and a steering advisory group, a document detailing the program’s Objectives, Scope & Mandate was distributed to IFCC functional groups (see Appendix 1, attached).

IFCC is issuing a call for nominations to create a new Task Force on Laboratory Medicine Practice Guidelines (TF-LMPG), being formed to act as a steering group, provide program oversight, act as a review panel to assess proposals received from functional groups and as last step, forward their recommendations on guidance documents to the IFCC Executive board for final approval.

Membership: The Taskforce will consist of a chair and at least 4 full members. Corporate representatives from interested companies can also be members. Term of office: 3 years with the possibility of renewal for a second term pending performance evaluation.

Meeting Arrangements: Monthly or bi-monthly virtual meetings as well as 1-2 in person meetings per year, possibly coinciding with an IFCC Congress (EuroMedLab/WorldLab or other events).

Reporting: The Taskforce will report to the IFCC Executive Board quarterly with a document summarizing progress made within that quarter.

IFCC National Societies and Corporate Members are invited to nominate experts, sending the documents listed below to Paola Bramati - paola.bramati@ifcc.org at the IFCC office by November 30th, 2023:

- A support letter on behalf of the IFCC Society or Corporate Member, explaining the nominee’s interest in the position and the contribution that we can expect from the candidate;
- A short CV.

Taskforce members will be selected from nominations received from national societies and corporate members; however, expertise in areas related to “best practice and preparation of guideline documents” will be considered as an additional criterion for selection of Taskforce members. Nominees that have not been selected can apply to become corresponding members of the Taskforce.

We look forward to receiving nominations from national societies and corporate members around the world.

With kind regards,

Prof. Khosrow Adeli
IFCC President