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Since 2015 she is a President of Finnish Society for Clinical Cytology (SKSY). In 2009-2014, she was a secretary of SKSY. Since 2011, she has been a Finnish representative at EFCS. Since 2008 she has been active at the Board of the Association for European Cardiovascular Pathology, at the moment she is a Membership Councilor.

EFCS ideas for candidacy for EFCS Secretary General position

EFCS Secretary General is a team leader coordinating co-operation of cytologists in Europe: among national cytology societies, with cytotechnologists and pathology societies including ESP and its working group of cytopathology.

My main aim is to keep cytology as a visible discipline giving the diagnosis for better patient treatment. There is a tendency to use less invasive procedures at outpatient clinics for diagnostics, and for this purpose cytological techniques suits better than classical surgical methods. The cytology is thus central to the future of diagnostics: we can do more with less.

It is important to keep up educational sources and organize cytological meetings. We should attract young colleagues not only through tutorials.

Also science and new techniques are important on the field of cytology. EFCS can have a key role in coordination of scientific projects and help to implement new techniques through seminars.