

Marios Georgiou

It is an honour for me to stand up here and read the laudatio for my friend and colleague Marios Georgiou, as he has been awarded by the Board of Directors with Honorary Membership of the ERC.

Marios Georgiou, who currently works as a Director of Nursing in Cyprus, has supported the whole field of resuscitation science and resuscitation practice over the years - as a nurse, resuscitation officer as well as an academic. He has a long standing career within the ERC since 2004 when he became a member of the Executive Committee and then in 2011 when he became one of the Directors of the ERC Board.

Marios has made very important contributions to the development and growth of the ERC and led for example the campaign by the ERC in order to have a written Declaration from the European Parliament, which was the case in June 2012, calling for the establishment of European Cardiac Arrest Awareness Week. As a result the ERC established the first European Restart a Heart day on 16th October 2013 and since then this event has been every year on the same date and is now also recognised as a global initiative. Marios is the former chairman of the Cyprus Resuscitation Council and is currently the Secretary of the same Council. He has great engagement for resuscitation science and has a good academic career which is reflected in many publications on resuscitation in Greek and in English journals.

Having summarised his contribution to the Resuscitation world on a national, European and international level one can see that he has successfully made his effort in raising awareness of this important topic.

Within the ERC, Marios Georgiou currently holds the position of advising NRC representative, having been the Director of External Affairs for the last 8 years. I know he is still eager to work for the ERC and I have no doubts that his contribution will continue to be of great value to the ERC.

Dear Marios - I wish to congratulate you on being awarded with the Honorary Membership of the European Resuscitation Council.

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