The role of President of the European Heart Network (EHN)

General rules:

- The President of the Board represents the Board, without having to justify to third parties the powers which are conferred by virtue of the statutes (article 15 of the statutes).

- The President shall preside at the meetings of the General Assembly and of the Board. In the case of Board decisions, the President has a second and casting vote.

- The President shall see to it that all orders and resolutions of the Board are carried into effect in close cooperation with the Director (see job description for Director).

Duties include:

- Provide leadership and direction to the Board.

- Drive the establishment of overall long and short term goals, objectives and priorities for the organisation, in collaboration with other Board members and the Director and in meeting the needs of the association.

- Address the Annual General Assembly.

- Chair the Board and its meetings and:
    - in conjunction with the Director, set the agenda for Board meetings
    - ensure that the members of the Board receive in good time all information required for the proper conduct of their tasks
    - ensure there is sufficient time for the Board to discuss and make decisions.

- Encourage executive directors of middle group contributors from large European economies to serve on the Board

- Be the spokesperson for the EHN to the public at large and EHN membership and represent the organisation to public authorities, including EU institutions, when required.

- In conjunction with the Board, provide guidance and leadership to all the EHN members.

- Arrange for the Vice President to chair meetings in his/her absence.

- Coordinate the contact between the Board and the Director.

- Monitor and evaluate the effectiveness of EHN's actions and services through a regular review of programmes and services.

- Submit the Director to a performance review each year and report to the Board.

- Adhere to general duties outlined in the duties and responsibilities of the Board members.