



EUROPEAN FEDERATION OF CLINICAL CHEMISTRY
AND LABORATORY MEDICINE



Memorandum of Understanding

between EFLM and ACLCY

for automatic registration of individuals in the EFLM Academy

This document has been prepared to define a collaborative working relationship between the European Federation of Laboratory Medicine (hereinafter referred to as EFLM) (AISBL, Egmontstraat 11, 1000 Bruxelles, Belgium) and "Association of Clinical Laboratory Directors, Biomedical and Clinical Laboratory Scientists (ACLCLY)" (hereinafter referred to as National Society) (13 A&B Vasilis Michaelides Str., 3026 Limassol, Cyprus) for the block enrolment of National Society Members in the **EFLM Academy** (hereinafter referred to as "Academy") and to define the responsibilities of each part.

The EFLM Academy is a package of professional benefits for individual members of EFLM National Society/Association Members.

The aims of EFLM Academy are:

1. To provide a web domain comprising an information and communication platform;
2. To support education, training and continuous professional development of laboratory medicine practitioners;
3. To raise the profile of EFLM.

The benefits at the time of this agreement are listed here below:

- Unlimited access to all documents (laboratory standards) of the CLSI (Clinical and Laboratory Standards Institute) database;
- Free on-line subscription to CCLM, the official EFLM journal, and some further International Journals (updated list available [here](#));
- Free access to EFLM Syllabus Course
- Regular e-mail notifications of all EFLM activities, programmes and opportunities;
- Eligibility to apply for EFLM travel grants* (subordinated to application's criteria of each specific EFLM initiative)
- Eligibility to apply for the EFLM Award
- Reduced registration fee to all EFLM conferences and courses**
- Free access to EFLM webinars;
- Enrolment in the EuSpLM Register for those who meet the Educational and Training EFLM Equivalence of Standards (subordinated to the evaluation of the requested documentation by the EFLM Committee "Profession").

* Please note that starting with January 1st 2020, those who are not members of the EFLM Academy do not have the access to EFLM webinars and do not have the opportunity to apply for EFLM Travel grants.

** This applies to: EFLM Preanalytical conferences, EFLM Strategic Conferences, CELME Symposium, but does not apply to congresses/conferences organized in collaboration with other organizations, such as EuroMedLab.

The annual fee at the time of this agreement is EUR 15.00 per person.

The role of the National Society during the period of this agreement

The National Society is responsible for:

1. collecting the name of individuals to register in the Academy and submit them to the EFLM Office through the appropriate software;
2. pay on an annual basis the invoice from EFLM for the registration fees.

The role of EFLM during the period of this agreement

EFLM is responsible for:

1. providing the National Society with all necessary supporting information and advice;
2. processing the names provided by the National Society through the software managing the Academy; collected data may be transmitted to third parties but limited to the purpose of providing the services requested by the user (for example, the access to the CLSI website). However, in any case, third-party companies are not authorized to transfer these data to other companies, institutions or persons.
3. providing one annual invoice to the National Society (the annual fee x n. of members to register);
4. providing by e-mail to each National Society registered member a certificate of registration to the Academy and personal credentials to log-in the software.

Extension for the EuSpLM certificate

please tick one:

YES

NO

In furtherance of their mutual interest in supporting the case for recognition of Specialists in Laboratory Medicine under EU Commission Directive 2013/55/EU (the Recognition of Professional Qualifications), the National Society hereby request the extension for the EuSpLM certificate (European Register of Specialist in Laboratory Medicine) for those National Society's members meeting the Equivalence of Standards as set by EFLM.

No additional cost is foreseen for this extension.

This possibility is subordinated to the recognition by the EFLM Profession Committee of the Equivalence of Standards in Education and Training in the National Society's country as defined in the "EFLM syllabus for postgraduate education and training for Specialists in Laboratory Medicine: version 5 - 2018", i.e.:

- Minimum 9 years (ideally 10) years academic (4/5 years) and specialist (4/5 years) training;
- Education and training to standards set in the EFLM syllabus
- A Master's degree (or equivalent) in Medicine, Pharmacy or Science;
- An exit qualification (postgraduate certificate) which meets the EFLM "Equivalence of Standards" as indicated below in the curriculum requirements;
- Evidence of participation in continuous professional development (CPD).

It requires curriculum content to include:

- General chemistry of at least 35%;
- General chemistry plus haematology of at least 65%;
- Flexibility as to the remaining 35%, including general chemistry, haematology, microbiology, and genetics and IVF in a proportion consistent with the requirements in the country of destination.

The role of the National Society during the period of this agreement

The National Society is responsible for:

1. ensuring that only individuals meeting Equivalence of Standards are submitted for the EuSpLM certificate;
2. collecting the name of individuals requesting the EuSpLM certificate and submit them to the EFLM Office through the appropriate software;
3. providing the requested documentation to the EFLM Committee "Profession" on occasion of audit to check that submitted individuals meet the EFLM Equivalence of Standards.




The role of EFLM during the period of this agreement

EFLM, through its Profession Committee and WG-Register, is responsible for:

1. providing the National Society with all necessary supporting information and advice to ensure registration of bona fide specialists;
2. the EFLM Committee "Profession" organizing occasional audits to check that submitted individuals meet the EFLM Equivalence of Standards;
3. processing the names provided by the National Society through the Academy software (section EuSpLM certificate); collected data may be transmitted to third parties but limited to the purpose of providing the services requested by the user (for example, the access to the CLSI website). However, in any case, third-party companies are not authorized to transfer these data to other companies, institutions or persons.
4. providing by e-mail to each National Society registered member an EuSpLM certificate (in addition to the certificate of registration to the Academy and personal credentials to log-in the software).

Duration of agreement

This memorandum will be valid until one or both of partners will make the statement on withdrawal of cooperation for reasonable reasons (failure to comply with the obligations under the contract).

President of EFLM Prof. Tomris Ozben 	Chair of the EFLM Profession Committee Prof. Evgenija Homsak 	President of the National Society Charis Charilaou 
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