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Interview with Ilija CURIC, RTT Alliance elected representative



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Congratulations on winning the elections as RTT Alliance representative. How do you feel?

Thanks. I am very happy and grateful to my colleagues who voted for me and showed their confidence in me in these elections.

What was your motivation when you submitted your candidature for this new role?

Continued cooperation with the European Society for Radiotherapy and Oncology (ESTRO), which has significantly boosted the position of radiotherapists (RTTs) in my country and region and actively partakes in the widening of the influence of the RTT Alliance.

Do you foresee any challenges for RTTs that will have to be addressed during your term as RTT Alliance representative?

Recognition of the title radiation therapist remains the biggest challenge. We need the same level of education and postgraduate studies across all European Union countries. Cooperation of national societies (NS) across the alliance and all European RTTs NS in the alliance must be strengthened, and this is a big challenge.

What has been your involvement in ESTRO, and particularly in the RTT community?

My first participation in ESTRO activities was in the ESTRO / International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA) train the trainers programme in 2008. I have been a member of the RTT Committee since 2017, and I participated in the editing of the RTT corner in the ESTRO newsletter.

What do you enjoy most about your activities as an RTT?

I enjoy the work and training young colleagues, adopting new techniques, gaining contacts and socialising with colleagues from other countries when we have the opportunity to do so.

How do you cope with balancing your undertakings in your department, ESTRO and of course your family?

I have great support and understanding from my family and my colleagues, and that makes it easy.