

Committee Report 2024 ESO Brain and Heart Council

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Report of the ESO Committees - Summary

Brain and Heart Council

- **Alan Cameron, UK (Chair)**
- Arne Lindgren, Sweden
- Ashkan Shoamanesh, Canada
- Barbara Ratajczak-Tretel, Norway
- Dimitrios Nikas, Germany (ESC representative)
- Jan Scheitz, Germany
- Jorge Pagola, Spain
- Mira Katan, Switzerland
- Michele Romoli, Italy
- Peter Vanacker, Belgium
- Zuzana Gdovinova, Slovakia

Report of the ESO Brain and Heart Council

- We held an in-person / hybrid meeting during ESOC 2024 which was a strong success in shaping our vision and strategic priorities for the next three years.
- Our three key priorities are:
 1. Building collaborations
 2. Supporting education
 3. Promoting engagement

Building Collaborations

- European Society of Cardiology (ESC)
 - Jorge Pagola will be ESO Representative to ESC Council on Stroke
 - Dimitrios Nikas presented at ESC Heart & Stroke 2024
 - We contributed a Joint Session at the ESC Congress 2024
- WSO Brain and Heart Council
 - We have developed strong links with WSO Brain and Heart Council
 - The links have led to collaborations on Position Papers, research publications and clinical trials

- European Stroke Organisation Conference 2025
 - ESO Brain and Heart Council Members will Chair and present sessions on Brain and Heart Interactions at ESOC 2025:
 - From heart to brain and back again - cardiac sources of embolism, cardiac complications and clinical consequences*
 - Cardioembolic stroke: time to think myocardial infarction!*
 - Prolonged cardiac monitoring in PFO associated stroke*
- eSTEP and ESO Summer School 2025
 - We plan to contribute sessions on Brain and Heart Interactions

Promoting Engagement

- Aim to raise awareness of Brain and Heart Interactions among stroke clinical and research communities
 - Focus on young stroke clinicians and researchers
 - Activities at ESOC, ESC and WSO meetings
- We will build a network of people interested in Brain & Heart Interactions
- We will encourage colleagues to visit Brain and Heart Centres of Excellence through the ESO Department to Department visit scheme