

Dear all,

Since ESGO offers tremendous opportunity and invaluable experiences to network with colleagues across Europe, as well as learning practical strategies for treating gynecologic cancers, I appreciate the opportunity to participate in this committed and very interesting exchange of ideas. My objective is to promote the highest quality of comprehensive clinical care through education and research and establish plans to advance the prevention, early diagnosis and treatment of gynaecological cancers with ultimate goal to improve patient care. I believe that this process can be achieved through continuous improvement of training and education standards in Gynaecologic Oncology across Europe which will aim to promote and direct the needs, hopes, efforts and aspirations of subspecialty Gyn/Oncology trainees. Constant improvement of current knowledge can be achieved only through multidisciplinary training science and in this line I would like to welcome all colleagues of medical specialties involved in the clinical management of gynaecological cancer patients including medical oncologists, pathologists, radiation oncologists and nurses.

In order to achieve all the above and create an open European platform for subspecialty fellows dedicated to the care of women with gynaecological cancers, I would be very willing to support the education, research, advocate, communication and collaboration activities and help establish directions for the development of new strategic pathways that will help improve patient outcomes.

In order to further promote and improve the subspecialty of Gynecologic Oncology we should continue the exceptional job of our colleagues, by sharing ideas, expertise and knowledge, grow our previous experience, learn from others and respect other's ideas.

It is clear that the dedicated board, the talented staff and the exceptional members have guided the society toward great achievements. Since changes and new perspectives are vital for sustained growth and continued success, it would be a honor to work alongside dedicated and passionate professionals in the field of Gynecologic Oncology in order to advance patient care, research and education within the specialty.

I am very glad and honored in standing as a candidate for election of ESGO Council Members 2024-2028.

SHORT CV

Nikolaos Thomakos, MD, PhD, received his medical degree from the University of Athens and completed a residency in Obstetrics and Gynecology and later a subspecialty fellowship in Gynecologic Oncology at the 1st Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, "Alexandra" Hospital, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, a European Board and College of Obstetrics & Gynaecology (EBCOG) and an Accredited European Training Center in Gynaecological Oncology.

Dr. Thomakos is an accredited Gyn Oncologist by the European Society of Gyn Oncology (ESGO), since November 2013.

Previous experience and scientific background consists of a postdoctoral Clinical and Research Fellowship program at Baylor College of Medicine and at MD Anderson Cancer Center (Division of Gynecological Oncology and Gyn/Oncology-Immunology), Houston, Texas. Also, worked as senior SpR at the Northern Gynecological Oncology Center, Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Gateshead, U.K.

Dr. Thomakos has presented his work at numerous national and international meetings and published original research, reviews and case reports in peer reviewed journals.

He is a member of the European Society of Gynecological Oncology (ESGO) since 2003, and served for the Local Organizing Committees at the 21st International Meeting of ESGO in Athens, Greece, November 2019 and at the ESGO-ENYGO Masterclass in Gynaecological Oncology in Athens, June 2023.

Also member of the International Gynecologic Cancer Society (IGCS) since 2000 and of the Society of Gynecologic Oncologists (SGO) since 2010, volunteered on SGO International Committee (2013-2015).

His current position is Associate Professor in Obstetrics & Gynecology and Gynecological Oncology at the 1st Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, "Alexandra" Hospital, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens, while was on the faculty at the same department since 2006.

Dr. Thomako's research interest includes Fertility Preserving Surgery for young women with gynaecological cancer. He has a special clinical focus in perioperative care and postoperative management of Gyn/Oncology surgical patients and currently organizes the Enhanced Recovery Protocols of the Unit of Gynecologic Oncology with the aim of optimizing patient care. He has instituted several clinical and research protocols aiming to evaluate the impact of immunonutrition in frail patients as well as rapid mobilization of patients undergoing high complexity score operations for advanced gynecological malignancies

He is an invited Reviewer and member of Editorial Board in many medical journals.