

Programme Committee

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Supporting Statement:

Election Statement – BCS Programme Committee Member

I am a cardiology registrar and Clinical Research Fellow at the NIHR Barts Biomedical Research Centre, Queen Mary University of London. I am standing for the BCS Programme Committee to leverage my strong background in medical education and leadership and passion for innovation in shaping the Annual Conference that genuinely reflects the needs and aspirations of our cardiovascular community.

Education and Leadership:

Education has always been at the heart of my career. I completed a competitively-funded Postgraduate Certificate in Medical Education and during my role as an associate college tutor, I have led multiple teaching initiatives, including “IMT Application Support” and “MRCPrep Club”—programmes recognised at national conferences for their impact on trainee development. As an Acting Member of the British Society of Echocardiography (BSE) Membership Resources Committee, I am actively involved in enhancing the society’s online education platform, skills I will apply to integrate hybrid learning tools into the BCS Conference setting.

Global Perspective & Crisis Response:

I also bring a unique international perspective. From 2021 to 2022, I served as lead organiser of the online education programme for the displaced Myanmar medical students, supported by NHS consultants, on behalf of the National Unity Government. These sessions have attracted hundreds of students each week and sustained education during a time of national political crisis. This role has allowed me to develop valuable transferrable skills such as project management, collaboration with consultant bodies and the attendees, and curriculum and session designing which will be assets for successful conference planning.

Research & Collaboration:

As a PhD candidate in cardiac imaging and cardio-rheumatology at the Queen Mary University of London, I am actively involved in cross-disciplinary cardiovascular research and committed to promoting academic engagement. I have presented at 10+ national and international conferences, including the European Society of Cardiology Congress, and am passionate about amplifying early-career voices. I aim



to promote trainee-led sessions, mentorship initiatives, and the inclusion of emerging fields such as cardio-rheumatology to enrich and diversify the conference programme.

Vision for BCS:

1. Innovation & Inclusivity: Introduce hybrid sessions (e.g., virtual case discussions, AI in cardiology workshops) to engage global audiences. Prioritise accessibility through diverse speaker panels, and content addressing health inequities.

2. Empowerment: Expand platforms for trainees and early-career professionals to present research, network, and lead sessions.

3. Training & Development: Champion trainee engagement by incorporating their voices and opinions in conference planning, and create dedicated sessions to address training issues, enhance quality, and support career progression.

Why Me?

I bring a unique blend of educational leadership, crisis-tested adaptability, and research expertise. My work with the BSE committee and international education bodies has honed my ability to collaborate across disciplines and deliver impactful content.

If elected, I will bring enthusiasm, creativity, and a strong commitment to shaping a dynamic and forward-thinking BCS Annual Conference that empowers and inspires the next generation of cardiovascular professionals. It would be a privilege to contribute to this vision as a member of the Programme Committee.

Thank you for your support.