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To the ILAE-Latin America community

Dear colleagues and friends,

I am willing to serve as a member of the ILAE-Latin America 2021-25 regional commission to help the best I can the ILAE carry on its mission.

I am an epileptologist and director of a comprehensive epilepsy program that serves as a referral center for about four million people and a Professor of Neurology, involved in teaching and training undergrad and graduate students as well as neurology residents. I work full-time in a public university hospital that offers free medical care for the population, including complex treatments such as epilepsy surgery.

I have been involved in several activities in the ILAE over the years, including the Diagnostic Commission and in the local Brazilian chapter of ILAE. I am currently the Treasurer of the Brazilian League Against Epilepsy, a member of the ALADE Task Force, ILAE Education Council, ILAE eLearning Task Force, Epilepsy surgery education task force, FCD Classification Task Force, Imaging Task Force, and the Finance Committee (<u>https://www.ilae.org/fernando-cendes</u>), and I chaired the Diagnostic Commission of the ILAE from 2009 to 2013.

I have also been participating actively as a teacher and helping with the Latin American Summer School of Epilepsy (LASSE) organization since its beginning 13 years ago.

I coordinate an Epilepsy Surgery Program, which offers Fellowship training for young neurologists from several countries in Latin America since 1997.

My service as an educator in epilepsy goes beyond the University of Campinas, in the form of numerous lectures, teaching seminars, and invited conferences worldwide.

I have the commitment, expertise, and background necessary and will be honored to help in the ILAE-Latin America region commission.

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