

## Information to EAHL members regarding the 2026 EAHL Conference

EAHL received four applications to host the 10<sup>th</sup> EAHL conference within the deadline of 30 November 2024.

The board followed the decision-making procedure, which was approved at the General Assembly (GA) held in Warsaw on 19 September 2024. In accordance with the association's procedures, board member Santa Slokenberga abstained from participating in the evaluation process due to her affiliation with one of the applicants. According to the decision by the GA, the EAHL board evaluated the applications based on six criteria:

- a) relevance of conference topic for the promotion of health law research, teaching and practice throughout Europe
- b) potential of conference topic to attract health lawyers from all over Europe
- c) appropriateness of the proposed program with a view to scientific exchange and networking
- d) availability of (strong) cooperating partners at conference venue (e.g. to form a local organizing team)
- e) attractiveness/reachability/suitability of conference venue
- f) experience from hosting similar events (both scientific and administrative)

The board members independently scored the applications based on a scale from 1 to 7 (where the latter is the highest), without knowledge of other member's evaluations, and submitted their scores to the EAHL administration. According to the decision by the GA, the final decision by the board was then taken based on the overall assessment and not necessarily as an automatic outcome of the scoring.

Following the initial review, the Board held a detailed discussion on the strengths and weaknesses of all four applications. After careful consideration, the Board decided to offer Uppsala the opportunity to host the 10th EAHL Conference in 2026.

The board would like to thank all candidates for submitting such high-quality applications and congratulates the team in Uppsala. The board emphasizes that all candidates submitted very interesting proposal for hosting an international health law conference. Thus, the board encourages applicants that did not succeed this time, to re-submit applications for upcoming EAHL-conferences or -events.