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concerning candidacy boardmember IMAGO 2021

dear reader,

the election committee has asked me to write a few words regarding my candidacy for board member.

since the present board and chair offered their resignation, it feels awkward to set out positive and enthusiastic plans for IMAGO's future. it maybe too big a task to find out what went wrong, but they deserve tons of respect for their determination and their belief in the association.

I do hope at least some of them will come back to guide IMAGO - again.

I would like to propose the following;

IMAGO deserves a sort of a reset. a reset not in rules, regulations and formalities...but going back to the roots; simply said; friendship.

I would propose to first work on unity among colleagues. establish an environment that has no barriers and focus on communication, in all aspects and for all involved; president, board, members, societies and most of all the connected DP's.

if it will be decided that we first should focus on statutes and other regulations, I don't think I am the right person to step in at this moment. as I see IMAGO not as an adapted NATO-organization...in my humble opinion; politics is the last thing IMAGO should be bothered with right now.

another suggestion is to wait with presidential election. at this moment it is maybe not right to give one person such a responsibility, so much weight on the shoulder. why not giving a team (board) a certain amount of time to go for the future and for positive vibes; setting up the basics in terms of unity and friendship. establish a simple but effective communication-system. let's not make our goals too complicated. IMAGO is not UNITED NATIONS, it's just a group - a large group - of peers/colleagues/friends/comrades.