Call for Editor-in-Chief for the journal 'Pancreatology'

International Association of Pancreatology (IAP) invites applications for an Editor-in-chief for the journal *Pancreatology*. The term of the current Editor-in-Chief will end in December 2018 and the new editor-in-chief is expected to start working with the current editor from 1st July 2018 for a smooth transition. The selection of the editor-in-chief will be done by the executive council of the IAP. The position is anticipated for a 3-year term extendable to another 3-year term with mutual consent.

About the Journal: The journal *Pancreatology* is the official journal of the International Association of Pancreatology and the European Pancreatic Club. The journal is published by Elsevier and is the leading peer-reviewed journal in the field of Pancreatology. The journal is a multidisciplinary periodical dedicated to the understanding of pancreatic physiology as well as the pathogenesis, diagnosis and treatment of exocrine and endocrine pancreatic disease. It has steadily grown both in the number of submissions per year and various journal impact indices. Publication in Pancreatology is free of charge and its readership spans the entire globe. The Editors-in-Chief will therefore not only be performing a commendable service to their community, but also support the development of science.

Qualifications of the Editor-in-chief: The following qualifications/capabilities are expected of the applicant for the position of the Editor-in-chief:

- 1. Should have been either an editor or on the editorial board of a reputed peer reviewed international journal related to Gastroenterology/Pancreatology.
- 2. Should have a proven track record of peer reviewing of manuscripts for international journals.
- 3. Should have published excellent original research papers in reputed journals demonstrating his/her commitment to research in and deep understanding of pancreatic diseases.
- 4. Should provide a one page strategic vision for the future of the journal, which aligns well with the aspirations of the International Association of Pancreatology as the premier global association for pancreatologists worldwide.

Expectation from the new Editor-in-chief: The journal attracts a large number of submissions from around the world. The Editor-in-chief will be free to appoint 3-5 associate editors to help manage the submissions. He/she will oversee and manage the editorial process and, based on recommendations provided by the Associate Editors and referee reports, make final decisions on the submissions. He/she will also personally handle the peer-review process of a certain number of manuscripts within his/her area of expertise. In consultation with the Associate Editors, the future Editor-in-Chief will also be expected to continue to pro-actively develop the journal both in its scope and impact.

Editorial independence: The Editor-in-Chief and the team of editors will have complete autonomy in deciding the merits and demerits of the submitted manuscripts, and the IAP and the publisher will not influence in any way the decision to publish or not to publish any article.

Remuneration and secretarial assistance: The Editor-in-Chief will be provided a modest honorarium annually by the IAP. Elsevier will provide secretarial assistance in smooth running of the journal from

submission to its publication/final disposal. The work of the Editors is supported by an intuitive online submission and editorial management system, as well as by a Journal Editorial Office Assistant.

Benefits to the Editor-in-chief: The role as the Editor-in-chief will give him/her first hand insights into new discoveries and projects from around the world. It will also enhance his/her prestige in the pancreas community. It will help improve his/her global network beyond society-membership boundaries, as well as knowledge of the publishing business and its rapid development. The successful candidate will become familiar with the workings of one of the largest publishers i.e. Elsevier.

How to apply: Interested candidates may apply to the Honorary Secretary, International Association of Pancreatology with supporting documents. Application should comprise a letter specifying the applicant's qualifications and motivation for seeking the position, a curriculum vitae and a list of publications. A joint application by two candidates with complimentary strengths and pre-defined hierarchical roles will also be considered. The last date for applying is March 31, 2018. The application should be submitted as a PDF file by e-mail to: <u>info@internationalpancreatology.org</u>