NOMINEES FOR THE ASSISTANT CHAIR ROLE

Chile

National Secretary



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TOP SURGICAL PROCEDURES:

Blepharoplasty, Facial Rejuvenation, Breast Surgery, Body Contouring, Transgender Surgery.

TOP NON-SURGICAL PROCEDURES:

Botulinum toxin, face and body fillers, biostimulators, regenerative therapies.

ACADEMIC POSITIONS HELD:

Academic Professor of Universidad de Los Andes, Universidad de Chile and Universidad Católica de Chile.

TEACHING INVOLVEMENT WITH PLASTIC SURGERY RESIDENTS:

Head of the Specialist Training Program in Plastic Surgery, Universidad de Los Andes. Academic Advisor of the Plastic Surgery Residency Rotation at the Military Hospital of Santiago, for Universidad de Chile and Universidad Católica de Chile.

ABOUT ME:

Chief of the Plastic Surgery Service, Hospital Militar de Santiago Director and Partner at Clínica Áurea
Member of FILACP, ASPS, ACS Languages: Spanish, German and English

HOBBIES AND INTERESTS OUTSIDE SURGERY:

Travel, Dance Tango

ISAPS ROLES:

Board of Directors 2022-2024 Certification Committee 2022 till now

NATIONAL SOCIETY ROLES:

Past - President of Sociedad Chilena de Cirugía Plástica Safety Committee Member

SUPPORTING STATEMENT FOR ELECTION

I am a board-certified Plastic, Reconstructive, and Aesthetic Surgeon from Chile and have been ISAPS member for the past 14 years. ISAPS has played a fundamental role in my professional development by providing outstanding education, international collaboration, and lifelong learning opportunities. It has been a privilege to give back to the Society through active service and leadership.

My involvement with ISAPS became more active during my term as President of the Chilean Society of Plastic Surgery (2016–2017), when I had the opportunity to strengthen the relationship between our national society and ISAPS while promoting greater engagement of Chilean plastic surgeons in the Society's educational and scientific initiatives. This experience led me to serve as the South American Representative for the ISAPS Continental Communication Committee (2018–2020), fostering communication and collaboration across the region. Since 2020, I have had the honor of serving as the ISAPS National Secretary for Chile, working to strengthen the connection between ISAPS and our national community while encouraging active member participation and international collaboration.

From 2022 to 2024, I served on the ISAPS Board of Directors as Member-at-Large and Chair of the ISAPS Patient Safety Committee. This experience allowed me to collaborate with colleagues from around the world, contribute to strategic initiatives, and lead projects focused on patient safety, quality improvement, and excellence in aesthetic plastic surgery. I currently serve on the ISAPS Certification Committee, reinforcing my commitment to maintaining the highest standards of education, professionalism, and surgical practice.

I am Chief of the Department of Plastic Surgery at Hospital Militar de Santiago, Director of the Plastic Surgery Residency Program at Universidad de los Andes, faculty member at both Universidad Católica de Chile and the University of Chile, and Partner at Clínica Áurea. These roles have strengthened my passion for education, mentorship, leadership, and international collaboration.

I am applying to the role of National Secretaries Co-Chair because I believe it offers a unique opportunity to further strengthen one of ISAPS' greatest assets: its global network of National Secretaries. Having served in different leadership roles, I understand how essential National Secretaries are in connecting members with ISAPS, strengthening engagement, and bringing the perspectives and needs of each country to our international community.

If entrusted with this responsibility, I will work to strengthen communication across regions, empower National Secretaries in their role, expand access to world-class educational opportunities, foster meaningful collaboration, and continue advancing patient safety as a defining value of ISAPS. Also enhancing communication between National Secretaries and the Board, growing our global network ,supporting innovation, diversity, professional excellence, and member engagement. Fluent in Spanish, English, and German, I value the importance of communicating across cultures and building meaningful international relationships. It would be a privilege to continue serving ISAPS and help building even more connected, collaborative, and forward-looking international community in this leadership role.

Montserrat Fontbona, MD
National Secretary, Chile

FULL CV

CURRENT PROFESSIONAL POSITIONS

* Department of Plastic Surgery, Military Hospital, Santiago, Chile
* Clínica Aurea, Santiago, Chile

ACADEMIC AND MEDICAL EDUCATION

* Specialist in Aesthetic and Reconstructive Plastic Surgery, Universidad de Chile
* Specialist in General Surgery, Universidad de Chile
* Medical Doctor (M.D.), Universidad de Chile, Universidad de Chile

CURRENT LEADERSHIP POSITIONS

* Head of the Department of Plastic Surgery, Military Hospital of Santiago
* Head of the Plastic Surgery Specialist Training Program, Universidad de los Andes
* Partner, Clínica Aurea
* National Secretary for Chile, ISAPS – International Society of Aesthetic Plastic Surgery
* Vice-Director, Aesthetic Surgery Chapter, FILACP – Ibero-Latin American Federation of Plastic Surgery

POSTGRADUATE DIPLOMA PROGRAMS

* Diploma in Dermatocosmiatry, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, 2020
* Diploma in Health Sciences Education, Universidad de los Andes, 2024–2025

INTERNATIONAL TRAINING

* Oculoplastic and Post-Bariatric Surgery, Department of Plastic Surgery, Dreifaltigkeits-Krankenhaus, Wesseling, Germany, 2008–2009
* General Plastic Surgery, Department of Plastic Surgery, Hospital Vall d'Hebron, Barcelona, Spain, 2006

POSITIONS IN SCIENTIFIC SOCIETIES

* Vice-Director, Aesthetic Surgery Chapter, FILACP – Ibero-Latin American Federation of Plastic Surgery
* Board Member, ISAPS – International Society of Aesthetic Plastic Surgery, 2022–2024
* Chair, Patient Safety Committee, ISAPS, 2022–2024
* National Secretary for Chile, ISAPS, 2020–Present
* Board Member, American College of Surgeons – Chilean Chapter, 2022–2024
* Board Member, Chilean Society of Surgery, 2021–2022

* Past President, Chilean Society of Plastic Surgery, 2016–2017
* Member, FILACP – Ibero-Latin American Federation of Plastic Surgery
* International Member, American Society of Plastic Surgeons (ASPS)
* International Member, Argentine Society of Aesthetic and Reconstructive Surgery (SACPER)

ACADEMIC APPOINTMENTS

* Assistant Professor, Universidad de los Andes
* Associate Professor, Universidad de Chile
* Faculty Member responsible for the Plastic Surgery rotation, Military Hospital, for Plastic Surgery residents from Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile
* Faculty Member, Diploma Program in Dermatocosmiatry, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile

LANGUAGES

* Spanish
* English
* German