**Academia Europaea announce the election of a President**

October 20th

Following a membership –wide ballot, the Board of Trustees have been pleased to announce that **Professor MARJA MAKAROW** has been confirmed as the next President of the Academy.

Professor Makarow will take up the role of President-elect during December and will assume the Presidency in October 2021.

Professor Makarow will be the seventh President since the establishment of the AE in October 1988.

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 Professor Makarow is a Molecular Cell Biologist and is the Director of [Biocenter Finland](https://www.biocenter.fi/index.php). She has been Director of Research of the Academy of Finland, Vice-rector of the University of Helsinki and was a former CEO of the European Science Foundation. Professor Makarow continues to serve on a number of high-level European committees and on Research and Education institutional boards across Europe.

Prof. Makarow was [elected as a member of the Academia Europaea](https://www.ae-info.org/ae/Member/Makarow_Marja) in 2011.