



### **Amanda Bok, Chief Executive Officer (CEO)**

Amanda Bok has been CEO of the European Haemophilia Consortium (EHC) since late 2012.

Amanda first became involved with haemophilia when she joined the World Federation of Hemophilia (WFH) in 2009 in a communications capacity and later managed their international advocacy program.

Prior to this, Amanda focused her efforts on international humanitarian aid and human rights issues, particularly child rights, in times of armed conflict. She worked for the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) in Geneva and in New York. First she helped coordinate the delivery of humanitarian aid with the United Nations (UN) agencies in Geneva. Later she represented the ICRC in meetings and negotiations of the UN General Assembly and Security Council in New York. She also previously worked for the European Commission's Humanitarian Aid Office, Brussels-based think tank Friends of Europe and a US regional newspaper.

Born in Bolivia, Amanda grew up in Colombia, Mexico, the United States, Switzerland and the Netherlands. She has a German passport and speaks English, French, Spanish, German and Dutch.

Amanda has a Master's degree in Environment and Development from the London School of Economics and Political Science (UK), and a Bachelor's degree in International Relations and English Literature from Austin College (US).

### **Jo Eerens, Office Manager**



Jo joined the EHC in 2010 as its first staff member. As such he set up the office and worked towards implementing and developing EHC activities. Since 2013, Jo is the office administrator and deals with administrative and accounting tasks as well as supporting the smooth running of the office and its activities.

Jo is Belgian and a patient himself, having mild haemophilia. Prior joining the EHC he worked for the Belgian Haemophilia Society as their Director.

Jo studied philosophy in Munich, Germany and theology in Leuven, Belgium. He spent much of his professional career working in areas such as education, social and pastoral work with a particular focus on working with people with disabilities.



### **Kristine Jansone, Inhibitor Programme Officer**



Kristine Jansone comes to the EHC with ten years of work experience in the not-for-profit sector with a focus on youth engagement and volunteering. Prior to the EHC, Kristine led for six years, the work of the Ecumenical Youth Council in Europe (EYCE), a Brussels-based Christian youth network working towards bringing together young Christians from different denominations to overcome issues such as nationalism, xenophobia, social exclusion and proselytism.

The sole employee of EYCE, Kristine was led to work independently and has gained much experience in managing multiple projects including the organisation of events, youth trainings, multi-annual campaigns as well as communication projects. She has a background in education, communication and marketing.

A Latvian national, Kristine speaks Latvian, English and Russian as well as some French and Swedish. Kristine has an academic background in theology, pedagogy and management of culture.

### **Raia Mihaylova, Communications Officer**



Raia Mihaylova joined the EHC team in January of 2017. She holds the position of Communications Officer and helps manage the organizations' ongoing growth of activities and reach.

Previously, Raia has worked as a journalist for the Bulgarian National Darik Radio, as well as various other American and European publications. It is her passion for helping and strengthening communities that brought her to the EHC.

Raia was born in Bulgaria but grew up in the United States, speaking both languages fluently. She holds a Masters' degree in Financial Journalism from City University of London, United Kingdom. Her Bachelor degree is in Journalism and Mass Communications, which was completed at the American University in Bulgaria.

### **Saskia Pfeyffer, Office Assistant**



Saskia Pfeyffer joined the EHC in 2016 as the Office Assistant and deals with administrative and accounting tasks as well as supporting the smooth running of the office and its activities.

Prior to this, Saskia has worked for more than ten years in the field of women's health and rights. She worked for the European Parliamentary Forum on Population and Development (EPF) and for Care international.

Saskia is Dutch and speaks English, French and Dutch and has a bachelor degree in European studies from the University of The Hague, the Netherlands.



## Laura Savini, Communications and Public Policy Officer



Laura Savini joined the EHC in 2014 as Communications and Public Policy officer. Prior to the EHC, Laura worked in a Brussels-based pharmaceutical trade association.

A dual Belgian and Italian national, Laura has lived both in Belgium and Italy and is fluent in French, Italian and English.

Laura holds a Masters' degree in Information Management from Aberystwyth University in the United Kingdom as well as a Bachelor's degree in management assistance from a secretarial college in Brussels.

