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EXCELLENCE CENTRES

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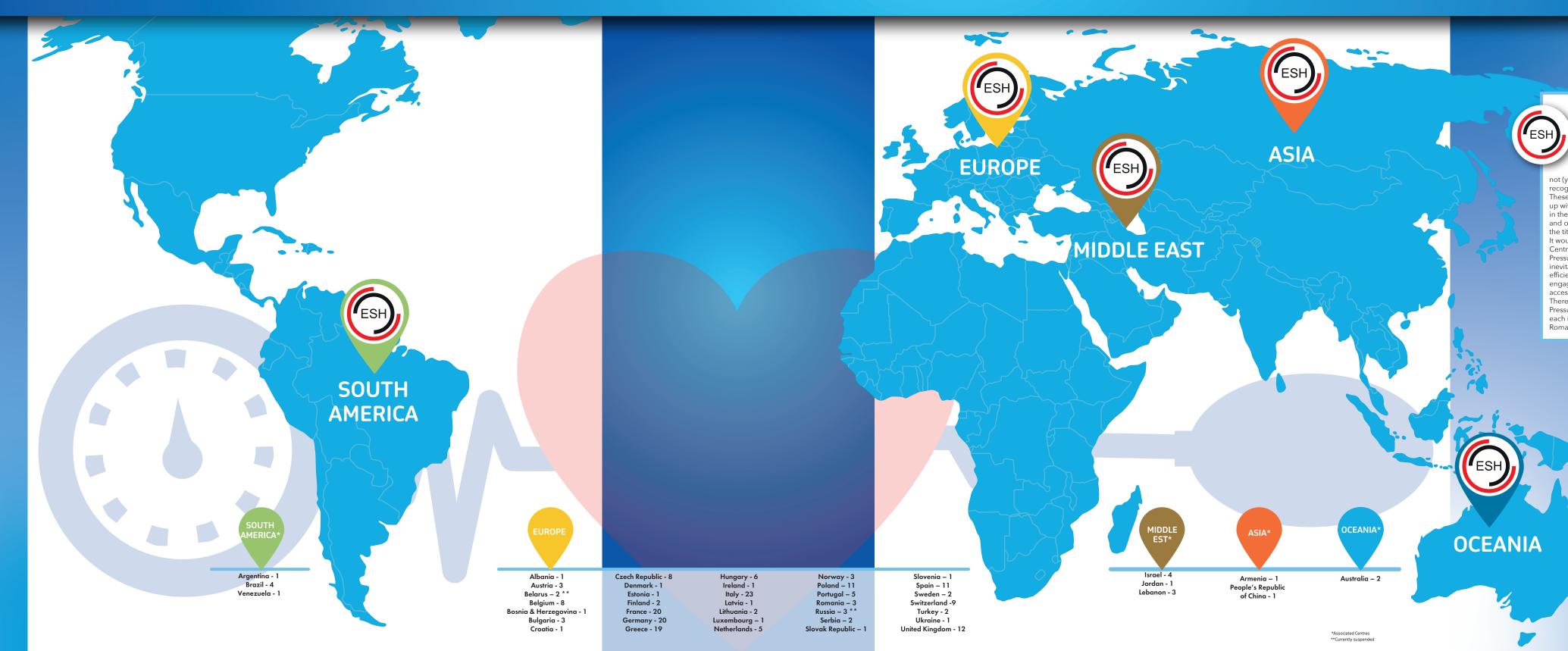
The European Society of Hypertension (ESH) makes continuous efforts to manage the burden of hypertension in Europe by stimulating scientific exchange related to knowledge about hypertension and supporting and building organizations committed to work for the control of hypertension.

Total number of approved Excellence Centres is 210 (17 of them are associated centres). The Excellence Centres are located in 36 European countries and the associated centres in 8 non-European countries (Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, People's Republic of China, and Venezuela). The list of newly approved ESH Excellence Centres is published in the journals endorsed by the ESH (*Journal of Hypertension and Blood Pressure*) and listed in the Directory of Excellence Centres.

The applications are reviewed regularly by the Excellence Centre Coordinators and officially confirmed during the ESH Annual Meeting. Please note that applications should be made using the **online application form** and supported by a letter of endorsement from the National Hypertension Society. Applicants will be notified of acceptance and will be invited to attend the ESH Annual Meetings to receive their diploma.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

All Leads of the Excellence Centres must be ESH Members in good standing.



BLOOD PRESSURE CLINICS

The ESH Council welcomes interest for cooperation from Blood Pressure and Cardiovascular Risk Services that do not (yet) have the critical mass to be recognized as ESH Excellence Centre. These Services are encouraged to team up with a nearby ESH Excellence Centre in the form of a hub and spoke model

and on successful review will be granted the title "ESH Blood Pressure Clinics". It would be of value for Excellence Centres to consider partnering Blood Pressure Clinics to augment capacity, as inevitably it will be attractive and more efficient for large-scale programs to engage with larger Centres who offer access to a large patient base. There are a total of 16 approved Blood

Pressure Clinics; 11 in France, and one each in Greece, The Netherlands, Romania, Serbia, and Switzerland.