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Announcement of Newly Elected RDI Council Officers

We are pleased to announce the results of the recent RDI Council elections. The newly elected officers are as follows:

- **Chair: Kirsten Johnson (Fragile X International)**
- **Secretary: Ritu Jain (DEBRA International)**
- **Treasurer: Yann Le Cam (EURORDIS – Rare Diseases Europe)**

Kirsten, Ritu, and Yann will bring strong leadership and dedication to their respective roles, helping to advance RDI's mission to be a strong common voice on behalf of Persons Living with a Rare Disease (PLWRD) around the world, to advocate for rare diseases as an international public health priority, and to represent RDI members and enhance their capacities at regional and national levels.

We would also like to extend our deepest gratitude to Durhane Wong-Rieger for her nearly 10 years of service to RDI as Council Chair. Under her leadership, RDI has grown significantly, championing the needs and rights of individuals with rare diseases globally. Her unwavering focus and tireless efforts have made a lasting impact on the organization and the community we serve.

Please join us in welcoming the new officers and in thanking Durhane for her decade of exemplary commitment and vision.