Dear ESPN members, colleagues and friends,

We are pleased to inform you about recent developments and upcoming events.

**Research Call 2016**

Call for research proposals 2016 on pediatric kidney disorders has recently been announced. The aim of the call is to stimulate collaboration between pediatric nephrologists in Europe and to promote clinical or basic projects pertinent to children with renal disorders. *Applicants should be ESPN members working in Academic or Hospital Centers in Europe.* Applications on behalf of the ESPN working groups or collaborative projects on behalf of the individual researchers out of at least three European countries will be considered.

Successful projects will be funded to a maximum of 20 K €. *Please note that closing date for submission is April 30, 2016.* For more information and application form click “[Research Call 2016](#).”

**Continuous Medical Education (CME)**

Our CME Team has now set up the “Clinical Quiz” in the Open Access area of our website and hope that many more of you can participate. The Clinical Quiz” includes a clinical question or image (clinical / radiology / biopsy) with multiple choice question presented each month to challenge and stimulate our younger members. *The two trainees with the largest number of correct answers for the year (& the first to respond) will be given free registration to the next ESPN meeting!* We hope you find the quiz educational and fun.

Visit [ESPN website](#) to reach the quiz. Members can also reach to [the presentations of the First and Second IPNA-ESPN Junior Classes](#).
World kidney day (WKD)

The item for this year was “Kidney Disease & Children: Act Early to Prevent It”. Many colleagues from pediatric nephrology centers and societies have joined WKD on March 10, 2016 with different activities to encourage and facilitate education, early detection and a healthy life style starting in early childhood to combat the increasing risk of preventable kidney damage. Visit our website to see the centers who participated and their activities on our WKD 2016 map.

The Third ESPN/IPNA Master for Junior Classes

The Third ESPN/IPNA Master for Junior Classes will be held in Leuven-Belgium, on October 28-30, 2016. The scientific program will be announced soon.

IPNA Congress 2016

Iguaçu, Brazil will host the 17th Congress of the International Pediatric Nephrology Association, IPNA 2016, from September 20 to 24, 2016. The Congress will be preceded by workshops (Critical Care, Rare Diseases) and courses (Renal Pathology, ICCS-IPNA Nephrourology Course, Dialysis, IPHA-IPNA Hypertension Course, and Research methods).

Early Registration deadline expires on July 15, 2015.

ESPU Congress 2016

27th Annual Meeting of European Society of Pediatric Urology (ESPU) will take place in Harrogate, UK between the dates 22-25th of June 2016. There will be special sessions with ESPN on Friday the 25th and Saturday the 26th of June 2016 on highly relevant topics for both societies. ESPN members have a special reduced registration rate. Please check congress website for further information.

Other Meetings

6th South Eastern European Pediatric Nephrology Working Group (SEPNWG) Meeting will be held on June 10-12, 2016, in Skopje, Macedonia. You can send your abstracts through the Congress web site: www.mzndtvo.wix.com/en

Dates for the 2017 ESPN Congress in Glasgow will be 7-9 September 2017; website has been activated. Please save the date.

For other upcoming “Renal Meetings” and “Pediatric Meetings” please click “Events” on our website.

Young Paediatric Nephrologists Network

In 2016 ESPN has launched a platform for Young Paediatric Nephrologists to stimulate networking, teaching and collaboration of future generation colleagues.
Please check ESPN website for more information.

Membership

If you still have to renew your ESPN membership 2016, please click here and enjoy the benefits of membership.

Please visit our new website!

Best wishes for a great spring!

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