



Dear ESPN members, friends and colleagues,

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

## **New ESPN Website**

The [ESPN website](#) has been redesigned. The slider on the home page will be used to promote forthcoming relevant meetings as well as important news items. For most, clicking on the image will take you to a relevant website or document for more information. As well as a re-formatting, there are some new sections, including links to national paediatric nephrology societies and links to patient information (by condition and by language). There are also new pages with important paediatric nephrology links and pages for industry sponsors. If you know of links or information that is missing, please let me know. Similarly any comments or suggestions are gratefully received. I hope you like the new style. There have been some initial login difficulties, but these should now be resolved. If you haven't already done so, please try logging in, using the password reset function if you need to. I strongly encourage you to use this opportunity to change your password which will be encrypted on this new platform.

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## **ESPN council and educational committee activities**

ESPN council and Educational committee have recently updated the European Paediatric nephrology training syllabus (<https://www.espn-online.org/training/>) and are trying to organize a new European Paediatric Nephrology Certification after a Board Examination prepared together with UEMS and EAPS. Your comments and new ideas are very important to us, so a [new survey](#) was prepared to seek your opinion on this project.

## Welcome to IPNA congress in Venice

The 18<sup>th</sup> IPNA Congress will take place October 17-21<sup>th</sup> 2019 in the unique city of Venice, Italy. The congress will be held on Venice Lido, a peaceful barrier island that separates the Venetian Lagoon from the Adriatic Sea. It is located a few minutes from Venice's historic centre by Vaporetto, the boat-bus. It is still possible to register. ( <https://ipna2019.org/venice/> )

## IPNA-ESPN Master for Junior Classes

The Third IPNA-ESPN Master for Junior Classes in the second cycle will take place on **15-16<sup>th</sup> October**, just before IPNA Congress, also on Venice Lido. We have prepared a two-day course specially dedicated to acute renal failure, dialysis, transplantation and chronic renal disease. The scientific program is available on [ESPN website](#).

This IPNA-ESPN educational program is especially dedicated to Paediatrics residents, Paediatricians with special interest in Paediatric Nephrology, fellows in Paediatric Nephrology and young Paediatric Nephrologists. The whole program includes three meetings in three consecutive years. Full attendance will give you the IPNA-ESPN Master. A **CME certificate** is distributed after the meeting, also for those who have not been able to accomplish the whole cycle.

This course is completely booked, more than 100 students from more than 30 countries have confirmed attendance, 20 will receive the IPNA-ESPN Master diploma.

## Welcome to ESPN General Assembly in Venice

Our general assembly will take place on October 19<sup>th</sup>, Sala Grande, Venice Lido.

Please look at our preliminary agenda. (<https://www.espn-online.org/> )

## Call for ESPN congress in 2021

The host city for the next ESPN meeting in 2021 will be decided in Venice during our general assembly.

## ESPN President and ESPN Assistant President election

The electronic voting for ESPN President and ESPN Assistant President is already ongoing, please look at your email and links to vote. Electronic voting is open till 18 hours on 17/10/2019

(first day of the IPNA 2019 congress). Results will be announced in Venice at the ESPN General Assembly.

## **ESPN 2020 in Ljubljana**

The 52nd ESPN Meeting will take place **in Ljubljana, Slovenia, on 16-19<sup>th</sup> September 2020**. An outstanding scientific program together with very attractive social activities are being prepared for you. Ljubljana is a peaceful and beautiful old town with a more than 1000-year history. Please mark this date in your calendar already now.

## **Call for membership**

May we remind you to pay the membership fee. You can do that as a joint membership with IPNA and with that also get our excellent journal. (<https://www.espn-online.org/become-a-member/> )

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