Dear ESPN members, colleagues and friends,

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

**50th Anniversary Meeting of ESPN, 6-9 September 2017**

The 50th Anniversary Meeting of ESPN will be held in Glasgow on 6-9 September, 2017. The theme is “What have we learned in the past 50 years and where will we go in the next 50 years?” The scientific program is online and includes state-of-the-art plenaries, several joint sessions with other societies (ESPU, ERA-EDTA, and EWOPA). Each of the 7 ESPN Working Groups will present on the past, present and future for their area. There will be a separate Young Paediatric Nephrologists’ session.

Moreover, an exciting social program is awaiting you in Glasgow.

Abstract submission has just ended. Deadline for early registration is 15th June 2017!

**Capturing the history of paediatric nephrology in Europe**

Heather Maxwell (Congress President), Richard Coward (Chair Scientific Committee) and Martin Christian (Chair Local Organizing Committee) would be grateful if you or your local colleagues could interview past members about the past 50 years of ESPN. You can locate and conduct video interviews with retired European paediatric nephrologists and patients in the 1970s. These historical records will be edited into a 20-minute film to be shown at the opening celebrations of ESPN 2017. Please visit website for guidance.
IPNA –ESPN Master for Junior Classes

2nd Cycle 1st IPNA –ESPN Master for Junior Classes will be held in Glasgow – Scotland, September 5-6th 2017 (just before 50th ESPN Annual Meeting). The program will comprise the first year of the masterclass syllabus.

This IPNA-ESPN educational program is especially dedicated to Pediatrics residents, Pediatricians with special interest in Pediatric Nephrology, fellows in Pediatric Nephrology and young Pediatric Nephrologists.

We will accept up to 50 applications. Deadline for applications is May 20th 2017. Please visit website for application procedure.

Election for ESPN Council

Six ESPN Councilors will accomplish their terms (2014-2017). A candidate for Council may (with his written consent) be proposed in writing to the Secretary General (Elena Levchenko) by any three members. Candidates have to provide a motivation letter indicating their choice of responsibilities (more than one responsibility can be chosen), curriculum vitae and letters of recommendation by at least three ESPN members. Deadline for applications is June 5, 2017.

Vacant responsibilities for the new Councilors will be as follows:

Education-CME, Young Nephrologist Platform, ESPN Council Communication/News Letter, Relation with National Societies for Paediatric Nephrology, World Kidney Day, Organizing Website Content, and Liaison function to one of ESPN Working Groups.

We are currently working on “electronic voting system” which will be used for the Election of the Councilors.
Candidates for IPNA Council as ESPN Representative
In 2017 there is one vacant position for ESPN in the IPNA Council.
Candidates can apply by writing to the ESPN Secretary General and by providing their motivation and Curriculum Vitae. Deadline for applications is June 5, 2017. The decision will be taken by the ESPN Council.

Bids for ESPN Congress 2020
Bids for ESPN Congress 2020 can be submitted to the Secretary General and will be voted during the ESPN General Assembly meeting in Glasgow. Deadline for applications is June 5, 2017.

Working group membership
ESPN working groups (WGs) are actively functioning in various fields, you will find their programs and projects in their individual areas. You can join them with your proposals and ideas. Consider that you can enter the WG Board, if you are actively working in these areas and if you want to be a leader of a new initiative. To see the ESPN Working Group Regulations please click here.

Continuous Medical Education (CME): ESPN Quiz Winner 2016
We hope that you are enjoying the “Clinical Quiz” in the Open Access area of our website.
Please participate and email your answers to CME@ESPN.org
We congratulate Dr. Secil Arslansoyu Camlar (Izmir, Turkey) who is the “ESPN Quiz Winner 2016”, and will be given free registration for ESPN 2017!

Joint Symposium at ERA-EDTA Congress
There will be an ESPN/ERA-EDTA Joint Symposium at 54th ERA-EDTA Congress which will be held on 3rd-6th June 2017, in Madrid. ESPN will be presented by Moin Saleem, Bristol, UK “Molecular stratification of idiopathic nephrotic syndrome: from childhood to adulthood” ; Rosanna Coppo, Turin, Italy “Clinical and histological risk factors for progression of IgA nephropathy in children and adolescence” and Rukshana Shroff, London, United Kingdom “Guidelines on the management of CKD-MBD in children “
Other Meetings

- EAP (European Academy of Paediatrics) Congress and Master Course: 12-15 October 2017, Ljubljana, Slovenia.

Membership benefits and renewal

By becoming a member of the ESPN you will enjoy all the initiatives of the association with an extremely favorable cost and benefits (Click Here).

If you still have to renew your ESPN membership 2017, please click here and enjoy the benefits of membership.

Please visit our new website! (ESPN Website)

Best wishes for a great spring!

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