Dear Young ESPID members,

We hope you are all doing very well and would like to take this opportunity to update you on the progress of various ESPID activities relevant to Young ESPID.

1. Young ESPID elections:

   a) New Young ESPID board representative
   Elisa Fernández-Cooke’s term as Young ESPID board representative is coming to an end in May 2018 and her post is now open for applications. ALL young ESPID members will have an opportunity to apply (please note that YE representatives from other committees can also apply). If you are interested in applying for this very stimulating task and become part of the ESPID board, please send us a short biography followed by a few words explaining why you believe you should be chosen to admin@espid.org. Once the deadline for application has ended, YE representatives in all the committees and the board will assess the applications and will need final approval by the ESPID board to appoint the new YE representative. Candidates need to have a minimum of 7 good standing points to be considered.

   Deadline: 28th February 2018

   b) Young ESPID representatives in the Research Networking Committee:
   Paula Tähtinen’s term as Young ESPID representative is coming to an end in May 2018. Her post is now open for applications. ALL young ESPID members will have an opportunity to apply. If you are interested in applying for this very stimulating task and become part of the ESPID board, please send us a short biography followed by a few words explaining why you believe you should be chosen for this role at admin@espid.org. Once the deadline for application has ended, YE representatives in all the committees and the board will assess the applications and will need final approval by the ESPID board to appoint the new YE representative. Candidates need to have a minimum of 7 good standing points to be considered.

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2. MEET THE PROFESSOR (MTP) YE coordinators. APPLY NOW!!. Deadline 8TH MARCH
   Last year, for the second time, Young ESPID members took an active part in running the MTP sessions. The appointed Young ESPID member would arrange and coordinate the session together with the seniors.
   The purpose of the Young ESPID coordinator is to work with the topic “experts” and to plan and run the session. Part of this would be to identify the abstracts submitted to be presented at the MTP or, if none are suitable, to find and present a suitable case themselves.
   The chosen MTP coordinators with get waived registration to the ESPID 2018.

   If you are interested in becoming a MTP coordinator for any of the sessions listed below, please send an email to admin@espid.org with a list of 3 topics in order of preference, your CV and a short paragraph telling us why you choose this topic and your experience in the field.

   LIST OF MTP SESSIONS AND PROFESSORS THAT WILL CHAIR THE SESSION

   MTP 2: Infections indicating immunodeficiency.
       Johannes Trück & George Syrogiannopoulos
   MTP 3: Post - neonatal viral and other culture negative infections.
Philippe Henneke & Pinaki Panigrahi
MTP 4: Paediatric antibiotic stewardship.
    Annmarie van Rossum & Fredrik Resman
MTP 5: Diagnostics and treatments of congenital infection.
    Hermione Lyall & Sing Sing Way
MTP 6: Fever & the returning traveller.
    Shamez Ladhani & Kristina Elfving
MTP 7: HIV management decisions.
    Pablo Rojo & Oana Falup-Pecurariu
MTP 8: What the PID doctor needs to know about Chronic Fatigue.
    Esther Crawley
MTP 10: Test your vaccinology knowledge.
    Noni MacDonald & Tarik Derrough
    Uli Heininger & Marie Louise von Linstow
MTP 12: Viral Hepatitis in the clinic.
    Giuseppe Indolfi & Bjorn Fischler
MTP 13: Severe Pneumonia in children.
    Chrissie Jones & Federico Martinon Torres
MTP 14: Rational use of antibiotics (w/ Otitis media)-
    Fernanda Rodrigues & Ann Hermansson
MTP 15: Periodic fever.
    Annacarin Horne & Paul Heath
MTP 16: Tuberculosis management conundrums.
    Anna Turkova & Nicole Ritz

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We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible in Malmö. In the meantime, please get in touch with any queries or suggestions!

Elisa and Robin
Young ESPID Board Representatives