

Dear Young ESPID members,

Happy New Year! We hope you are all refreshed after a break and would like to take this opportunity to update you on the progress of various ESPID activities relevant to Young ESPID.

In this email we would like to advertise:

- Two YE posts available for self-nomination (deadline for both Jan 21st)
- YE country reps wanted!

And remind you that applications open for:

- Meeting Scientific and case abstracts (Jan 15th)
- ESPID Meeting Travel Award Scheme (Jan 16th)
- **Young ESPID Parallel Symposium**
- Walter Marget Workshop (Jan 17th)
- Research Masterclass (Jan 18th)

Young ESPID representative in the Research Networking Committee (CSAA)

The CSAA reviews the applications submitted for the many Fellowships and Awards given by our Society and so will give excellent insight into the process of what is involved in applying for these grants. Lilly Verhagen's term as Young ESPID representative is coming to an end in May 2019 and her post is now open for applications. We welcome applicants who have a commitment to paediatric infectious disease research and the passion to help us deliver our mission, develop new initiatives and to strengthen research within ESPID. To apply you need to be a YE member with a minimum of 7 good standing points. Send us a short biography followed by a few words explaining why you believe you should be chosen for this role to admin@espid.org by the **21st January 2019**

Young ESPID representative in the Educational Committee (CfE)

Raluca Lixandru's term as Young ESPID representative is coming to an end in May 2019. Her post is now open for applications. The CfE is a very active committee with a broad portfolio of activities. These include: organising and delivering the Walter Marget Workshop at the ESPID Annual Meeting, interactive monthly Case Rounds,

organisation and delivery of ESPID authored and tutored on-line courses and support for international and local training courses and workshops. To apply you need to be a YE member with a minimum of 7 good standing points. Send us a short biography followed by a few words explaining why you believe you should be chosen for this role to admin@espid.org by the **21st January 2019**

Young ESPID country representatives

We now have YE representatives from 35 countries. [LINK](#)

If your country is not yet listed and you are interested in taking on this task, please send us a short biography and letter of intent and you will be taken into consideration for this post. There is **no deadline**, we receive applications all year round but appoint people to start in May during the ESPID meeting for a 2 year term.

Of course you are planning on coming to Ljubljana in May so, don't forget to apply for the:

1. [Travel Award scheme](#) (deadline Jan 16th)
Economy class air and/or train travel to Ljubljana, 2-3 star accommodation for up to 5 nights, and free registration for the Meeting.
2. **Young ESPID Parallel Symposium**
New for this year in a mini form of the ESPID debate we will have a parallel Young ESPID symposium on "Controversies in respiratory infections". Six YE speakers each have 10 minutes to present (prepared) opposing positions (based on the literature) with the audience voting before and after each speaker. It's your chance to be Adam Finn vs Andrew Pollard! The topics are:
Should we drain pleural effusions in children with complicated pneumonia?
Should we do respiratory viral PCR panels in children with bronchiolitis?
Should we look for Mycoplasma in children with pneumonia?
To applying for this very stimulating task, please send us a short biography followed by a few words explaining why you believe you should be chosen for this symposium at admin@espid.org
3. [Walter Marget Workshop](#)
A brilliant day of clinical education with lectures and case presentations.

4. [Research Masterclass](#)

Fantastic research meeting – a mini ESPID for junior researchers to present their research and ideas in a safe supportive educational environment.

Please also have a look at all the other ESPID awards ([found here](#)), to see if you could be eligible to apply for them.

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

Fani & Robin

Young ESPID Board Representatives

