We are pleased to announce the launch of a new and exciting mentorship programme founded by ESPID and WSPID. This programme aims to match established faculty in Paediatric Infectious Diseases with junior colleagues to provide mentorship and guidance for career development. The mentorship will last for a total of 12 months and includes 3 (virtual) 1-hour meetings over this period. The purpose of this programme is to provide mentorship for a junior colleague to achieve a specific goal, e.g., ESPID/WSPID abstract application, small grant application, career mentoring, etc.). At the end of the programme, we will ask you to complete a short evaluation form.

This first call aims to recruit **mentors**. A call for mentees to apply will be released later this year. Please do not apply now if you wish to be mentored. A separate email will be sent out for mentees.

While we may not be able to move forward with all applicants at this time, please be assured that we will keep your details on file and may reach out should we be able to have another round. Please let us know if you do not want us to retain your details.

*Please note that this initiative focuses on mentorship and is not intended for seeking collaboration on research projects or conducting job interviews.

*Please note that there is no funding or compensation associated with this role.

MENTOR APPLICATION FORM

- 1. Title
- 2. First Name
- 3. Last Name
- 4. Organisation
- 5. Position
- 6. Email
- 7. Country of residence
- 8. Professional status e.g. Consultant / Researcher / Physician-Scientist
- 9. Which language(s) are you comfortable to mentoring in?
- 10. Have you participated in a mentorship programme previously? Yes / No
 - a. If yes, how many mentees have you mentored in the past 5 years?
- 11. Mentees will be asked to apply for a specific goal to be achieved by the mentoring (examples below), what is the expertise you could provide in this role (max. 200 words)?
 - Abstract presentation at WSPID or ESPID: This would include preparation of the abstract based on an existing research project.
 - Presentation of a journal article at an international journal club
 - **Plan a research project**: This would include discussion of specific aims of the project, and feedback on the general strategy.
 - Apply for a WSPID or ESPID research grant (or an equivalent grant mechanism): This should only support small, limited grants and should provide feedback on grant proposal.
 - Career mentoring: Mentees will also be able to request career mentoring with the explicit understanding that career mentorship is not about assistance in getting jobs overseas

- 12. How many mentees would you be willing to mentor at one time?
- 13. In addition to this application form please also include your CV (2 pages max) to help mentee matching.

Terms and conditions

I agree that:

- I am an active member of WSPID and/or ESPID
- I commit to meet (virtually) with my mentee at least 3 times during the 12 months mentorship period.
- I will complete a post-mentorship feedback survey.
- I will adhere to the Mentorship Code of Conduct.

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Signature		