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Dear Colleagues,

Hope this Newsletter finds you and your loved ones safe and in good health! COVID-19, now in multiple flavours, is unfortunately an integral part of our daily life and also shapes both clinical and academic activities. As many other societies around the Globe, ESPA tries to cope with the situation and to continuously adapt its mission as the pandemic unfolds. In this Newsletter, we would like to share with you the latest news of our Society alongside some plans for future webinars and (virtual) meetings.

Very best wishes and stay safe!

On behalf of the Executive Board,

Laszlo Vutskits
ESPA President

ESPA Annual Meeting 2021 Cracow, Poland CANCELLED

Given the raging pandemic all over the Planet and the numerous uncertainties on whether and how the situation unfolds during the next few months, we have decided to cancel our Annual Meeting initially scheduled for the end of September in Cracow, Poland. It was a difficult decision to take since this is the second year in a row that we can not get together due to the pandemic. We are planning to fill the gap by organizing a series of webinars during 2021 as well as, like last year, a virtual meeting (see below). We are all aware of the fact that these events will never be able to replace the magic of in person meetings and we are all very much looking forward meeting each other in the future.

ESPA 2021 Webinars and ESPA 2021 Virtual Meeting

We are planning to run **a series of webinars** in the upcoming months. The first will take place in collaboration with the SafeTots Initiative on *April 22nd 2021* and will highlight “Updates on pediatric blood pressure” (see announcement below). The making of a second webinar with a focus on pediatric anesthesia education is in progress and will be scheduled for June 2021. Based on the success of last year’s virtual meeting, we are also planning a 2-day virtual event at the beginning of September, including both talks and virtual workshops on several exciting topics of our specialty. Details will follow soon. In the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact us for suggesting potential topics of interest for future webinars/meetings. Contact email - info@euroespa.com.

ESPA Virtual Poster Presentations

We realize that the absence of live conference has a large influence in the traditional presentation of abstracts for (young) researchers. We think that abstracts are a crucial aspect of the conference ESPA. Offering a platform to share scientific projects and results is a core mission of our Society. Therefore, even if in a virtual format, we would like to revitalize this tradition and schedule **a virtual poster presentation during our virtual meeting in September**. The deadline for abstract submission is set at **July 15th 2021**. The presentation of the abstracts will be scheduled in a virtual meeting at **September 2nd, 2021 5-7 pm CET**. Each presentation will be maximum 10 min. including discussion. More detail for submission and presentation will be announced in the next newsletter and on our website soon.

ESPA Annual Meeting 2022 September 30th – October 2nd in Porto, Portugal

We truly hope that we will be able to get together and celebrate our Specialty by the 2nd half of 2022. Therefore, although tentatively, we have re-scheduled our ESPA 2020 Meeting at the same beautiful and exciting location for 2022. Stay tuned!

ESPA – SafeTots Webinar April 22nd 2021, 5 pm CET



SAFETOTS.ORG
Safe Anesthesia for Every Child

UPDATES ON PEDIATRIC BLOOD PRESSURE

Date

- Thursday, April 22nd, 2021 - 5 p.m. CET

Chair

- Karin Becke, Nurnberg, Germany

Speakers:

- **Jurgen de Graaff, Rotterdam**
 - Do we know what is the appropriate blood pressure in the OR?
- **Allan Simpao, Philadelphia**
 - Intraoperative blood pressure and fasting: is there a link?
- **Justin Skowno, Sydney**
 - Cerebral autoregulation – anything new?

OTHER EVENTS

Online Core Topics Manchester

22nd - 23rd April 2021, online webinar

<https://anaesthetists.org/Home/Education-events/Events/Event-Details/eventDateId/389>



1st virtual Principles of Pediatric Anesthesia and Critical Care Course

30th April - 2nd May 2021, live streaming

<https://www.pediatricanesthesiaconference.com/>



ESPNIC 2021

15th - 18th June 2021, virtual congress

<https://espn2021.kenes.com/>



ESAIC MEMBERSHIP

As an ESPA member you have the benefit to gain an associate membership for ESAIC. Below you can find a welcome letter from ESAIC for all associate members.

[ESAIC Welcome letter to Associate members](#)

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