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### Dear colleagues, dear ESPA members,

The ESPA meeting from **29 September** to **1 October 2022** in Lisbon, Portugal is approaching soon.

The preparations for the conference are going well. We truly believe that the future of our society and pediatric community is based on social interaction. We feel that this conference will be a magnificent moment when everyone can finally meet each other again and enjoy our friendship and start new initiatives for collaborations in clinical practice and research.

We hope to see you all in Lisbon!

On behalf of the Executive Board,

Laszlo Vutskits, ESPA Past President  
Jurgen de Graaff, ESPA President



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We would like to kindly inform you that the time for the ESPA membership renewal has come. Keep your benefits and gain a significant discount rate for the ESPA Congress 2022 registration (the Congress registration fees overview can be found [here](#)) and please note, that the Early Bird Special ends on 14 August 2022.

To renew your ESPA membership, click [here](#) for direct access to our membership platform.

Shall you need any further assistance, contact our Secretariat at: [info@euroespa.com](mailto:info@euroespa.com).

## Abstracts´ deadline extended!

The abstract submission deadline has been extended until **21st July 2022**. Abstracts may include original research, systematic reviews, case series and case reports. After the success of the abstract walks in Rotterdam we have decided to go again with **paper posters**, since we feel that the old-fashion paper posters offer the best opportunities for the researchers and public to stimulate the discussion with the audience.

Furthermore, the best ten abstracts will be selected by the scientific team for oral presentation in the main lecture hall at Friday afternoon in the “best abstract competition”.

## Detailed Scientific Program

The conference will be organized in the Centro de Congressos de Lisboa which is located near the riverfront between the city center of Lisbon and the historical district of Belem. We think that we are offering you a very interesting program on state-of-the-art pediatric anesthesia with topics including updates in fasting and resuscitation care, neuromonitoring, periprocedural care, burns and scalds, current controversies in pediatric anesthesia (video laryngoscopy, end of life, sedation, postoperative pain). Furthermore, we will have the classical *editor picks* (Danial Luca, Suellen Walker and Andrew Davidson), *my worst nightmare* (Nigel Turner), *best abstracts session* and *poster rounds* (with traditional paper posters).

For further information, please visit: <https://www.espacongress.com/programme/>

## Problem based learning session

To stimulate interaction and sharing of knowledge among participants of the conference, we offer Problem Based Learning sessions. This is a format in which a maximum of 8 participants will initiate the discussion of clinical approaches to cases presented by the lead moderator. We have a large variety of topics

- Epidermolysis bullosa for repeated hand surgery
- IV access, what line for what patient?
- Mediastinal mass
- The art of detubation

- Spinal Cord injury
- Laparotomy for 600g; locoregional?

## Workshops

We will have two workshops in which two faculty members go into the details of:

- Teach the teacher: simulation training in your own hospital, how to get started. Eva Schaffrath & Nigel Turner
- How to get your paper published: Andrew Davidson & Susan Goobie

## Social activities

There will be plenty of time to visit the exhibition booth, socialize and meet again during the extra-long coffee and lunch breaks and *welcome reception* (Thursday) and *conference dinner* (Friday). We also will organize a *morning run* along the riverfront to the Torre de Belém (Friday morning).

All information will be available soon on the conference website:

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

The full program is available at:

<https://www.espacongress.com/social-events/>



## ESPA mentoring program

At the upcoming ESPA conference in Lisbon, ESPA will start a mentoring program which enables linking junior paediatric anaesthesiologists (mentee) to more senior paediatric anaesthesiologists (mentor) on a one-to-one basis. This program aims to stimulate (international) sharing of knowledge and collaboration to improve clinical practice, science, education, and management within the paediatric anaesthesia community. The participants can decide on how to implement the program themselves. This can range from drinking a

collaboration:

- Clinical practice
- Science
- Education

Junior and senior paediatric anaesthesiologists who are willing to participate are requested to register their interest in this commitment at the registration website of the 2022 ESPA conference (<https://www.espacongress.com/>) and are requested to prepare a short resume (max 300 words) of what they are looking for as mentees or what they can offer as mentors. A selection of the ESPA board will then match the mentors and mentees according to their preferences and specificities. Before the conference, we will facilitate the mentor-mentee contacts. The kickstart of the program will be the ESPA conference in Lisbon at which the mentors and mentees will meet.

We think that this mentoring program will be inspiring for both junior and senior anaesthesiologists. Mentees will be matched with experienced mentors who can help guide their mentee in a career they yearn for. Furthermore, mentors will be matched with young eager mentees who want to learn and succeed. Giving back feels good but it can also give a fresh perspective and obviously together we are stronger.

Do you want to be a mentee and...

- Expand your skills?
- Receive one-on-one guidance you can custom design to support your professional growth?
- Establish your own goals and take ownership of your learning?

Would you like to share your expertise as a mentor and...

- Provide guidance to those interested in developing their skills?
- Share your insights as a current or past volunteer?
- Support those who want to advance their career in the professions?

Disclaimer: ESPA cannot cover any financial expenses for arrangements made by the mentor/mentee.



# Mentoring

**OTHER EVENTS**

**PROSA 2022**

September 8-9, 2022, Maastricht

<https://www.prosaconference.com/>**European Paediatric Airway Symposium (EPAS) T-Rex Investigator Meeting**

September 9-10, 2022, Genoa

<https://centroformazione.gaslini.org/evento.php?IDE=311>**ESPA SUPPORTING PARTNER 2022****PRIMEX**  
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