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### EPNS Honorary Member: Professor Jean François Marie Aicardi (1926-2015)

We are deeply saddened to hear the passing of Professor Jean François Marie Aicardi in Paris. A world-renowned physician and child neurologist, Professor Aicardi had friends, students and patients from all over the world. A true giant of Paediatric Neurology, his passing is indeed a great loss to the world of child neurology and to the countless friends and colleagues all over the world.

### European Journal of Paediatric Neurology (EJPN)

The [European Journal of Paediatric Neurology](#) is the official Journal of the EPNS. It is a multi-disciplinary journal publishing exciting clinical and experimental research in this rapidly expanding field. High quality papers written by leading experts encompass all the major diseases including epilepsy, movement disorders, neuromuscular disorders, neurodegenerative disorders and mental retardation.

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### EPNS Training Courses 2015-2017: Budapest, Hungary *save the dates!*

- 8-9 March 2016 'Epilepsy and other paroxysmal disorders' ( moderator Professor Katalin Hollódy)
- 10-11 March 2016 'Behavioural, psychological and psychiatric aspects of neurology, including autism and learning difficulties' ( moderator Dr Peter Baxter)

### **EPNS Research Meeting *save the date!***

28-29 October 2016: Essen, Germany

### **EPNS Fellowship 2014: feedback**

For your information, we were recently delighted to receive feedback from Dr Carmen Sandu from Romania who was successfully awarded an EPNS fellowship in 2014. Her fellowship was undertaken at Great Ormond Street in the UK, and this is what she had to say:

I had a special interest in complex epilepsy service with focus on the ketogenic diet. This fellowship gave me the opportunity to understand what a proper ketogenic diet service means, not only the way the service is organised but also getting inside the clinical and theoretical aspects of ketogenic diet. My main target was at the end of this training to be able to implement and manage ketogenic diet in our patients and I think this was achieved. The experience was absolutely great giving me the opportunity to access ketogenic diet clinics, in close contact with the patient, observing the way they are managed from the beginning, the way the ketogenic diet is implemented for each patient and also the way they are supervised.

I also had the opportunity to complete an audit project regarding the ketogenic diet service for patients enrolled in the last 2 years. There are of course the established connections with professionals I can always rely on if I have further questions in what I want to do. I was also very fortunate to access other complex epilepsy clinics, epilepsy surgery clinics, telemetry, neurology clinics and also neurosciences meetings with various topics, all at very high standard and extremely important.

### **12th EPNS Congress: week commencing 20-24 June 2017, Lyon, France *save the date!***

The new EPNS Congress 2017 website has now been launched, and plans are already well underway! Please visit [www.epns2017.com](http://www.epns2017.com)

### **EPNS Cambridge Master Class – ‘Pediatric Neurology meets Immunology meets Literature’ Taking place next month! Fully subscribed**

17 - 19 September 2015 at Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, United Kingdom

### **EPNS 2015 annual subscription fee payments are now due!**

Thank you to the many members who have already kindly paid this year's subscription fee. If you haven't yet had the opportunity to pay, why not pay today?! The easiest way is to pay your subscription fee is by debit/credit card by logging onto our website <http://www.epns.info/> If you have any questions about your payment, please do not hesitate to contact Sue on [info@epns.info](mailto:info@epns.info)

### **EPNS Certificate of Membership**

This can now be requested by an EPNS member who has paid their 2015 annual subscription fee. Please email Sue on [info@epns.info](mailto:info@epns.info) to request a certificate.

### **New EPNS membership**

We are always looking to welcome new members to our society and therefore we have been delighted to have seen so many new members join us over the last few years. Please continue to encourage your colleagues to join us. A convenient on-line application form is available on our website <http://www.epns.info/> For more information email [info@epns.info](mailto:info@epns.info) . Many thanks.

### **EPNS Trainee membership**

Our annual subscription rates are good value and the 2015 trainee annual subscription fee is the lowest it has ever been at an affordable 20 Euros for the full year! This membership payment gives on-line only access during 2015 to the Society's Journal (the European Journal of Paediatric

Neurology (EJPN) <http://www.ejpn-journal.com/> ) If you are a trainee, this is an opportunity not to be missed... please spread the word!

### EPNS on Twitter!

Please follow us. Our Twitter name is @EPNSnews

### EPNS website: Job vacancy section <http://www.epns.info/index.php?c=12>

If you would like to advertise a vacancy for a paediatric neurologist role, please email [info@epns.info](mailto:info@epns.info) with the following information:

Link to the official job advertising site, name, email address and phone number of the person to contact regarding the role together with deadline for applications.

### ICNC2016: 1-5 May 2016: Amsterdam, The Netherlands

[www.icnc2016.org](http://www.icnc2016.org)

Important upcoming dates:

1 September 2015: deadline for submission of lunch symposia

1 September 2015: website open for early registration & hotel bookings

1 December 2015: deadline for submission of abstracts

15 February 2016: deadline for early bird registration fee

Please visit the 'meetings' page of our EPNS website <http://www.epns.info/> for a list of other meetings which might be of interest to you.

### And finally... here is a summary of some important EPNS meeting dates for your diaries:

EPNS Master Class – Cambridge, UK: 17-19 September 2015

EPNS Training Courses 2016: Budapest, Hungary:

- 8-9 March 2016 'Epilepsy and other paroxysmal disorders'
- 10-11 March 2016 'Behavioural, psychological and psychiatric aspects of neurology'

EPNS Research Meeting 2016: Essen, Germany: 28-29 October 2016

EPNS Training Courses 2017: Budapest, Hungary

12<sup>th</sup> EPNS Congress: Lyon, France: 20-24 June 2017

13<sup>th</sup> EPNS Congress: Athens, Greece: 2019

EPNS Training Courses 2018-2020: Spain

As ever, please do not hesitate to contact me at [info@epns.info](mailto:info@epns.info) if you have any queries about your EPNS membership.

With kind regards

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