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### 1<sup>st</sup> EPNS Cambridge Master Class – ‘Paediatric Neurology meets Immunology meets Literature’

This event took place 17 - 19 September 2015 at Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, United Kingdom. We haven't yet had the opportunity to review the completed evaluation forms, but we feel confident enough to report back that it was a truly excellent event! A wonderful faculty team, inspiring speakers and all in the beautiful setting of Cambridge university! Thank you to all who attended and contributed towards making it such a special occasion. We will let you have more feedback once it is available, but in the meantime here is a photo of all our participants! <https://twitter.com/EPNSnews/status/645885008666853376/photo/1> (also attached if you are unable to open this link via Twitter).

### European Reference Networks (ERNs)

On 11/9/15, Professor Lieven Lagae sent an email to all members of the EPNS to announce that next year the European Commission will launch a call to organise “ERNs” : European Reference Networks for rare diseases, basically to improve clinical care and expertise in Europe and to promote collaboration between (clinical) centres. At this stage this is a scheme for members of the EU. The EPNS would like to ensure that childhood neurological disorders will be represented in some of the networks. Thank you to those members who have been in touch. Professor Lagae will be attending the 2nd conference on European Reference Networks next month in Lisbon.

**EPNS Training Courses 2015-2017: Budapest, Hungary *save the dates! Programmes are now being finalised!***

- 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

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

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

### **11th EPNS Congress: 27-30 May 2015 *read all about it!***

[http://intercongress.de/english/Latest\\_News/2015/epns.php](http://intercongress.de/english/Latest_News/2015/epns.php)

### **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. Below, please find details of a vacancy currently being advertised:

- Temporary Consultant Paediatric Neurologist : Type B post – 39 hours per week at Our Lady's Children's Hospital, Crumlin, Dublin 12, Ireland. <http://www.epns.jmre.es/job-vacancies/>

### Impact of paediatric regulation on clinical care guidelines

The European Medicines Agency have written to the EPNS. The EU Paediatric Regulation entered into force in 2007 with the aim to improve the health of children by increasing high quality, ethical research into medicines for children, increasing the availability of authorised medicines for children and increasing information on medicines. The regulation stipulates that the development of medicines for children should follow a prospectively agreed paediatric investigation plan (PIP) outlining all of the studies to be conducted. The European Medicines Agency is starting to collect data to measure the impact of the regulation, that must be submitted to the European Commission to fulfil the legal reporting requirements.

The number of (new) paediatric clinical care guidelines that refer to data of studies conducted in the context of a PIP will be one of the indicators. **If you are aware of a (new) paediatric clinical treatment / care guideline that makes reference to results / data from study(ies) which were performed in accordance with a PIP, please complete the attached questionnaire and return to [irmgard.eichler@ema.europa.eu](mailto:irmgard.eichler@ema.europa.eu) <http://www.ema.europa.eu/ema/>**

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

[www.icnc2016.org](http://www.icnc2016.org) **website now open for early registration & hotel bookings**

Important upcoming dates:

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, here are some meetings which have been added recently:**

- 12-13 February 2016: **Workshop on Childhood Dystonia** Ljubljana, Slovenia  
<http://www.epns.jmre.es/wp-content/uploads/2014/07/International-symposium-on-dystonia.doc>
- 29 April 2016: **International symposium on "Is Autism a treatable disorder?"** in Rome, Italy  
<http://www.ptsroma.it/autismtreatment/>

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

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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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