

Free access to the EULAR Congress for rheumatologists in training

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EULAR offers to wave the registration fee for a maximum of 5 rheumatologists in training per EULAR member country. The selection of these 5 rheumatologists in training is by the (scientific) National Society of Rheumatology from the individual country.

The following rules apply:

- The candidate should be in training to become a rheumatologist or has finalised her/his training in the preceding 12 months.
- The candidate has submitted an abstract for the EULAR Congress (the outcome of this submission doesn't play a role in the selection).

Of note: A National Society can decide to allocate one or more of these places to a health professional in training, who has submitted an abstract for the EULAR Congress.

The following timelines apply:

October: EULAR will send this notification to the (scientific) National Societies of Rheumatology from the EULAR countries.

October – December: the (scientific) National Societies of Rheumatology will communicate this possibility to their members (in training)

December – January: interested candidates will send in their abstract to the EULAR Congress and their request for waving of the Congress admission fee to their National Society

February – March: each (scientific) National Society of Rheumatology will follow its own process to select the (maximum) 5 candidates.

April 1st: each (scientific) National Society of Rheumatology will send the list of (maximum) 5 candidates to the EULAR office, attention EULAR Congress Department: congress@eular.org ; this list should include:

- Name and e-mail address of candidates
- Proof of traineeship, or finalization within last 12 months (from 1 May preceding year)
- Copy of submitted abstract.
- Add abstract submission number

After confirming these 3 items, EULAR will waive the congress fee for these persons, and register them as delegates for free. In case the registration fee for a selected individual has already been paid, EULAR will reimburse this amount.

NB: travel and lodging costs are not included; only congress admission is.

The application process should be as follows:

1. Invites to be sent out to the National Societies by EULAR (with SG cc'ed). To Do: Patrizia Jud
2. The application will be organised by the National Societies.
3. Beginning of April with the names submitted by the National Societies, the EULAR Congress Department will inform the respective applicants.
4. Finance will be notified accordingly for not collecting admission fees or reimbursement of paid registration fees.