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Dear Colleagues,

In 2020, Milan will host the 57th ERA-EDTA Congress and, as every year, it will be the time to celebrate goals and achievements as well as explore new paths and be fascinated by innovations and developments which influence the world of nephrology.

The Italian city symbol of progress and change, venue of the EXPO in 2015, will welcome you to this great showcase. Therefore, you will not only enjoy all the events organised during the congress but you will also discover one of the most bustling cities in Europe.

The Scientific Committee, chaired by Prof. Peter J. Blankestijn, has worked very hard to guarantee an outstanding scientific programme that will hopefully meet the expectations of visitors and satisfy the nephrology community.

We look forward to experiencing this extraordinary edition of the 2020 ERA-EDTA Congress and to falling in love with the modern and fascinating city of Milan.

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### Deadlines

#### REGISTRATIONS
- **Early (individual and groups):** March 19, 2020
- **Regular:** May 14, 2020
- **Late:** June 4, 2020
- **Blank - name list (groups only):** May 21, 2020
- **Onsite:** June 5-9, 2020

#### ABSTRACTS
- **Abstract submission close:** January 17, 2020
- **LBCT abstract submission:** March 2-27, 2020
- **Notification of abstract acceptance/rejection:** March 25, 2020

### Congress Timetable

#### Friday, June 5 2020 - REGISTRATION DAY
- 11.00 - 19.00
  - Registrations

#### Saturday, June 6 2020 - CEPD/HANDS-ON COURSES
- 07.00 - 18.30
  - Registrations
- 08.00 - 08.30
  - Congress Opening
- 08.30 - 16.30
  - CEPD/Hands-on Courses
- 17.00 - 18.00
  - Welcome Ceremony
- 16.00 - 20.00
  - Exhibition open for visit
- 18.00 - 19.30
  - Welcome Reception in the Exhibition

#### Sunday, June 7 2020 - DAY 1
- 07.00 - 18.30
  - Registrations
- 08.00 - 09.30
  - Symposia Free Communications + Mini Lectures
- 09.30 - 10.45
  - Poster session and coffee break Industry Symposia and exhibition visit
- 10.45 - 11.30
  - Plenary Lecture 1
- 11.45 - 13.15
  - Symposia Free Communications + Mini Lectures
- 13.15 - 14.45
  - Industry Symposia
- 15.00 - 16.30
  - Symposia Free Communications + Mini Lectures
- 16.30 - 17.00
  - Poster session, coffee break and exhibition visit
- 17.00 - 18.30
  - Symposia Free Communications + Mini Lectures
- 09.30 - 17.30
  - Exhibition open for visit

#### Monday, June 8 2020 - DAY 2
- 07.00 - 18.30
  - Registrations
- 08.00 - 09.30
  - Symposia Free Communications + Mini Lectures
- 09.30 - 10.45
  - Poster session and coffee break Industry Symposia and exhibition visit
- 10.45 - 11.30
  - Plenary Lecture 2
- 11.45 - 13.15
  - Symposia Free Communications + Mini Lectures
- 13.15 - 14.45
  - Industry Symposia
- 15.00 - 16.30
  - Symposia Free Communications + Mini Lectures
- 16.30 - 17.00
  - Poster session, coffee break and exhibition visit
- 17.00 - 18.30
  - Symposia Free Communications + Mini Lectures
- 09.30 - 17.30
  - Exhibition open for visit

#### Tuesday, June 9 2020 - DAY 3
- 07.30 - 13.00
  - Registrations
- 08.30 - 10.00
  - Symposia Free Communications + Mini Lectures
- 10.00 - 10.15
  - Coffee break
- 10.15 - 11.00
  - Plenary Lecture 3
- 11.00 - 12.30
  - Nephrology Pearls
### June 6, 2020

**CEPD & HANDS-ON COURSES**

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PLENARY LECTURES
1) Sustainable healthcare  
   Nicholas Watts, London, United Kingdom
2) AKI, CKD and cancer: the costs of kidney repair  
   Paola Romagnani, Florence, Italy
3) Chronic Kidney Disease: two decades of progress and challenges for the future  
   Andrew Levey, Boston, MS, USA
4) Plenary lecture to be confirmed

MINI LECTURES
- Persistent underrepresentation of kidney disease in randomized, controlled trials of cardiovascular disease in the contemporary era
- Global challenges in end-stage kidney disease treatment
- ERBP hyperkalaemia guideline. Tools for clinical practice
- Genetic studies of CAKUT
- Learning from genetic testing in kidney disease: expanding phenotypes
- Using proteomics to define the molecular landscape of cell matrix adhesion in the glomerulus
- Proteinuria reduction, slope in GFR as surrogate end point in trials in nephrology
- Membranous nephropathy: biopsy or not?
- C3 glomerulopathy and aHUS. Are these two different entities or a continuum?
- Should I change my daily practice in the treatment of lupus nephritis with new drugs of SLE?
- Podocyte pathology in nephropathy - new opportunities
- What will nephrology look like in 10 years?
- The changing scenario of the Nephrology workforce
- Compliance with drug treatment in CKD and in hypertension
- Therapeutic inhibition of VEGF signalling and associated nephrotoxicities
- New perspectives in the development of antifibrotic drugs for chronic kidney disease
- A proteomics approach to identify the molecular determinants of hypertension

SYMPOSIA
SPECIAL SYMPOSIA
ERA-EDTA Registry
Late Breaking Clinical Trials
Nephrology Pearls (special closing session)
ASN Highlights

Combatting kidney disease in Europe: role of European Kidney Health Alliance (EKHA)
1. European Kidney Health Alliance (EKHA): influencing European kidney policy
2. The road towards a European kidney research agenda
3. Differences in European renal replacement (EDITH): measurement brings knowledge

Medicine in the digital age
1. Benchmarking process for artificial intel in health. FG-AI4H
2. How can ubiquitous availability of data help to advance knowledge. Exposome research.
3. Medical apps: do they work? A healthcare provider’s perspective
Track 1
FLUID & ELECTROLYTES, TUBULAR TRANSPORT, RENAL PHYSIOLOGY

Electrolytes and acid-base for the future
1. Acid base balance in kidney disease
2. Urinary electrolytes in the clinic: a still unexploited instrument
3. Do SGLT2 inhibitors protect the proximal tubular cells?

Track 2
HEREDITARY DISORDERS, DEVELOPMENT, PREGNANCY, PAEDIATRIC NEPHROLOGY

Paediatric nephrology
1. Access for paediatric dialysis, and ESPN guidelines
2. Fluid management in paediatric dialysis patients
3. Preserving the peritoneal membrane
4. Intensified dialysis for children - learning from adult studies

ADPKD - tolvaptan and beyond
1. Real world experience of tolvaptan – a global perspective
2. Whole genome sequencing for molecular diagnostics – when is it necessary?
3. Do we need new biomarkers in addition to Total Kidney Volume? Emerging concepts and therapeutic perspectives

Novel diagnostics and treatments for inherited kidney diseases
1. Orphan drugs: from bench to bedside
2. The role of Induced pluripotent stem cells in CKD
3. The use of next generation sequencing for the diagnosis of unsuspected genetic kidney diseases

Track 3
GLOMERULAR DISEASES AND GENERAL CLINICAL NEPHROLOGY

Big data and artificial intelligence in renal care
1. Acute kidney injury alerting – the UK experience
2. Renal pathology and artificial intelligence
3. Big data and development and evaluation of dialysis care

Advanced renal MRI - the non-invasive renal biopsy in 2020
1. Renal MRI application in research and in clinical practice
2. Renal MRI to detect tissue perfusion, oxygenation, inflammation and fibrosis
3. MRI: renal blood flow, the GFR and renal metabolism

Systemic diseases and the kidney
1. Recent challenges in amyloidosis treatment
2. Advancements in IGA disease
3. The kidney in SLE: an update
4. Addressing the challenges posed by pregnancy in CKD

Novel tools and target in renal fibrosis
1. CRISPR/Cas9 to attenuate renal fibrosis
2. Single-cell RNA sequencing in renal fibrosis
3. Virus-induced interstitial fibrosis – from mice to men

New immune therapies and onco-nephrology
1. New immune therapies and their mechanism
2. Recent and forthcoming treatments of membranous nephropathy
3. Are immune therapies allowed in kidney transplant?
4. What should the nephrologist know about onco-nephrology for everyday practice?
Track 4

**CKD - PATHOPHYSIOLOGY, EPIDEMIOLOGY, PREVENTION, PROGRESSION, AGEING**

**Anaemia treatment in CKD: a changing scenario**
1. Erythropoietin Stimulating Agents (ESAs) after thirty years: are there differences among ESAs?
2. High-dose proactive intravenous iron treatment in ESKD patients
3. Hypoxia-inducible factor prolyl hydroxylase inhibitors. Safer than ESAs?

**Refocussing clinical research in CKD**
1. The unique complexity of the clinical presentation of patients seen by nephrologists
2. Identifying and addressing symptoms most burdensome to persons with advanced CKD
3. Smoothing the transition to ESKD to improve early dialysis outcomes

**Cognitive impairment in CKD**
1. Progress in the understanding of cognitive problems in human diseases, from biomarkers to brain imaging
2. Cognitive impairment in CKD patients: the dimension of the problem
3. Organic brain damage in CKD patients

**The diversified world of nephrology: what the nephrologists do and how renal care is organised in different countries**
1. Nephrology organisation in the USA and Canada
2. The scenario of renal care in Asia and in Australia-New Zealand
3. Kidney care in Europe

**Ageing kidney and its implications**
1. Mechanisms of kidney ageing: methods for understanding senescence
2. Role of frailty assessments in aged ESKD patients
3. “Prepare for Kidney Care” Study: responsive management vs renal dialysis in advanced chronic kidney disease

**Mechanisms on CKD progression**
1. Glomerular hyperfiltration: relevant in the clinical scenario?
2. Relevance of dietary factors for CKD progression: focus on potassium, phosphate and magnesium
3. Ischaemic insults and CKD progression

**Environmental threats to kidney health**
1. Particulate matter, nitrogen dioxide and carbon monoxide with the risk of kidney disease
2. Chronic kidney disease of unknown aetiology: population-level detection strategies
3. CKD in agricultural communities

Track 5

**END-STAGE KIDNEY DISEASE, HEMODIALYSIS**

**Dietary approaches in CKD: promoting quality over quantify**
1. Can we liberalize the diet of patients on haemodialysis?
2. Interventions targeting serum phosphate to improve clinical outcomes in CKD: doable? Useful?
3. Personalizing the diet of end-stage kidney disease with transition to dialysis

**Wasting in CKD: targeting the muscle**
1. Wasting and malnutrition in the elderly, what do we need to take care of?
2. Reconciling geriatric and nephrology nutritional views in the elderly patient with CKD
3. Preserving and recovering skeletal muscle in CKD patients: the clinical nutrition perspective
4. Preserving and recovering skeletal muscle in CKD patients: novel mechanisms and upcoming therapies

**The uraemic toxins saga**
1. Uraemic toxins in end-stage kidney disease in 2020: clinically relevant or not?
2. The intestinal microbiota and uraemic solutes accumulation
3. Modification of uraemic toxins by nutrition, dialysis and drug therapy

**Pathways to arterial damage and calcification in CKD**
1. The multidimension scenario leading to arterial damage in CKD
2. Vitamin K: a special pathway conducive to arterial disease
3. Coronary calcification: disease-severity marker or causal risk factor?
4. New paradigms in the pathogenesis and progression of the renal osteodystrophy

**Green health care in practice**
1. Environmental impact of dialysis and how to reduce it
2. Towards carbon neutral hospital care
3. Adapting green targets in the healthcare system
Expanding the patient’s voice in nephrology with patient outcome measures
1. Aligning research with patient priorities: a SONG for harmonizing outcomes in trials
2. Expectations and hopes of a patient entering a chronic dialysis programme
3. Patient story
4. Debate and interaction with the audience

Everyday issues during haemodialysis
1. Assessment of dry weight in 2020
2. Organ ischaemia during HD: occurrence and prevention
3. Pruritus, restless legs, acidosis and insomnia: should we care more?

Track 6
HOME THERAPIES, PERITONEAL DIALYSIS

Towards more home and self-care
1. Current status of small dialysis machines: pros and cons
2. Journey towards a wearable or transportable dialysis machine
3. Home dialysis and the use of new technologies

PD strategies and outcomes
1. Optimal peritoneal dialysis access in 2020
2. Incremental peritoneal dialysis
3. How to stimulate PD programmes

Track 7
TRANSPLANTATION AND IMMUNOLOGY

How to manage maintenance anti-rejection treatment in the presence of relevant comorbidities?
1. Severe infections
2. Solid cancer
3. PTLD

Newer outcomes and strategies for implementing clinical trials in kidney transplantation
1. Non-invasive biomarkers of rejection
2. Molecular biopsy
3. Patient reported outcomes
4. Planning RCTs across different EU Countries: opportunities and threats

Track 8
HYPERTENSION, DIABETES, VASCULAR DISEASES

The inflammatory pathway in CKD: treatments at last?
1. The canonical Wnt/β-catenin signalling pathway is critical for kidney damage
2. Inflammasome-IL-1α/IL-1β-IL-1 receptor system blockade as a target in experimental models and in CKD patients
3. Circulating bacterial fragments as cardiovascular risk factors in CKD

Sympathetic overactivity as a major trigger of cardiovascular and renal outcomes in CKD
1. Sympathetic activity in CKD: high to detect, relevance and treatment
2. Renal denervation: where do we stand and what is the relevance to the nephrologist?
3. NPY signals a high risk for CKD progression and cardiovascular complications in CKD: a gut microbiome – nervous system connection?

Cardiovascular and renal protection - effects of SGLT2 inhibitors and GLP-1 receptor agonists in people with CKD and type 2 diabetes
1. Clinical outcome with new agents in DM 2
2. What are the specific effects of SGLT2-I?
3. What are the specific effects of GLP-1 RA?

The hypertension spectrum in CKD: pathophysiology and risk
1. Dissecting the role of hypertension in the high-risk scenario of CKD
2. New insights in the role of sodium in CKD
3. Measurements of arterial stiffness in CKD: better than BP metrics?

Track 9
ACUTE KIDNEY INJURY AND INTENSIVE CARE NEPHROLOGY

The AKI - AKD - CKD continuum
1. Global epidemiology and outcomes of AKI with respect to CKD
2. e-Alert and AKI detection: does it work?
3. The clinical continuum of AKI - AKD - CKD: what should we look for?

Current aspects of AKI prevention and treatment
1. Cost-effective prevention strategies for AKI
2. Nutrition in patients with AKI: does it matter?
3. RRT - when to start and what to choose?
Submission of Abstracts

SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS
Communications should concern all aspects of nephrology, the prevention and treatment of renal diseases and associated conditions and/or the scientific background to the study of the kidney.

GENERAL RULES
All abstracts must be submitted electronically through the congress website www.era-edta.org/en/milan2020. All abstracts must be received by January 17, 2020.

CONFIRMATION
You will automatically receive an email confirming our receipt of your abstract.

NOTIFICATION
The Presenting Author of each accepted abstract will be notified by March 25, 2020. If the Presenting Author is unable to present the abstract, another co-author can take his/her place. However, if this is the case, a letter from the Presenting Author about the change is requested and it must be received by the ERA-EDTA Operative Headquarters no later than April 20, 2020.

WITHDRAWAL / CHANGES
Submitted abstracts cannot be withdrawn or changed. No exceptions will be made.

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Submitted abstracts must describe unpublished work that is not already in press or awaiting possible acceptance by any other society that publishes its abstracts/proceedings.

LANGUAGE
All abstracts must be written in English.

PROCESSING FEE
A non-refundable processing fee of EUR 25.00 must be paid for each submitted abstract. The processing fee must be paid at the time of submission by credit card only. Major credit cards (MasterCard and Visa) are accepted for the secure online payment. All payments must be received by Friday, January 17, 2020 at 23.59 CET so that the submission can be finalised successfully. This fee is non refundable even if the abstract is rejected. Abstract processing fees are waived for submitters from countries with an official annual income (GDP - Gross Domestic Product per Capita) below USD 10,000 (source: World Bank). A list of eligible countries can be accessed through the abstract submission website.

HOW TO SUBMIT ABSTRACTS
Please go to the congress website www.era-edta.org/en/milan2020 and follow the instructions for abstract submission. Only submission through the congress website is possible. Abstracts sent by post or email will not be accepted. All authors of correctly written and successfully submitted abstracts will receive confirmation by email. Should you experience any unforeseen problems with the electronic submission system, please contact the ERA-EDTA Operative Headquarters at abstracts@era-edta.org.

FREE COMMUNICATIONS
The highest scoring abstracts will be presented as free communications, combined with mini lectures from world renowned scientists.

POSTERS
The ERA-EDTA will be introducing several novelties this year, to improve the experience of the poster sessions both for the authors and for the congress participants. Detailed information will follow but briefly, as part of an ongoing commitment to reduce its impact on the environment, there will be no printed posters at the ERA-EDTA Congress 2020 in Milan. All posters will be presented exclusively as e-posters and will be available for the entire duration of the congress as well as online afterwards. For the first time there will be several types of moderated poster session, poster awards and a dedicated poster e-pod. Authors will receive full details regarding the submission procedure in due course.

PUBLICATION
All abstracts accepted for presentation (either oral or poster) will appear in NDT as an official online supplement. No abstract book will be printed. Abstracts will appear exactly as submitted. Any abstract considered unsuitable for reproduction will not be published.

SPECIAL PERCENTILE CERTIFICATE
A special certificate will be distributed showing the percentile the abstract had reached. This is an exclusive benefit for authors of an accepted abstract (either oral or poster) that was presented during the congress.
Abstract Categories

A) Acid-base and electrolytes
C) Renal development and cystic diseases
D) Genetic diseases and molecular genetics
E) Renal pathology. Experimental and clinical
F1) Hypertension. Experimental
F2) Hypertension. Clinical
G) Nephrolithiasis and uric acid
H) Clinical nephrology
I) Glomerulonephritis
J1) AKI. Experimental
J2) AKI. Epidemiology and outcome
J3) AKI. Prevention and treatment
K1) CKD. Lab methods, GFR measurement, urine proteomics
K2) CKD. Pathophysiology, progression and risk factors
K3) CKD. Clinical epidemiology
K4) CKD. Anaemia
K5) CKD. Bone disease
K6) CKD. Nutrition, inflammation and oxidative stress
K7) CKD. Rehabilitation
L1) Diabetes. Basic research
L2) Diabetes. Clinical studies
M1) Dialysis. Extracorporeal dialysis: techniques and adequacy
M2) Dialysis. Peritoneal dialysis
M3) Dialysis. Cardiovascular complications
M4) Dialysis. Vascular access
M5) Dialysis. Anaemia
M6) Dialysis. Bone disease
M7) Dialysis. Epidemiology and outcome
M8) Dialysis. Health services research
M9) Dialysis. Protein energy wasting, inflammation and oxidative stress
N1) Renal transplantation. Experimental, immunetolerance of allogenic and xenogenic transplants
N2) Renal transplantation. Epidemiology and outcome
N3) Renal transplantation. Treatment and immunosuppression
O) Paediatric nephrology
P) History of nephrology
Q) Patient education research and training in nephrology

LATE BREAKING CLINICAL TRIALS

The ERA-EDTA will consider abstracts related to unpublished clinical trials for a special “Late breaking clinical trials” session. The following trials will be considered for evaluation if they comply with the required characteristics:
- a prospective randomised intervention in renal patients (medication, education, dietetics, physiotherapy, etc…), including at least 100 patients;
- a prospective observational study, including at least 500 patients;
- approved by an institutional ethical committee;
- not previously reported or published.

Abstracts may be accepted as oral communications or posters, after being evaluated by the review committee. The LBCT abstracts must be submitted through the congress website www.era-edta.org/en/milan2020 from March 2 to 27, 2020. Abstracts that do not meet the above criteria will not be considered for presentation.
Also this year the ERA-EDTA will award 90 travel grants to the authors of the highest scoring abstracts in the various categories to attend the Milan Congress. The Presenting Authors must be 40 years old or younger on December 31, 2020.

All awardees will receive:
- a) Free ERA-EDTA membership (category C);
- b) A grant of EUR 500, except for the Presenting Authors of the best abstracts from each category who will receive a grant of EUR 1,000.

The Presenting Authors of the two best abstracts in each category, independently of age, will also receive a diploma. To apply, please fill in the appropriate fields during the abstract submission at www.era-edta.org/en/milan2020.

Help us help!
Also for the 2020 ERA-EDTA Congress in Milan, 4 special travel grants of EUR 600 will be given to 4 young authors of accepted abstracts, thanks to all congress members who bought ERA-EDTA branded mugs, t-shirts etc. at the ERA-EDTA shop during last year’s congress.

Your help is essential for helping young nephrologists grow!

We “ASQ” for your help for young nephrologists living in low income countries
ERA-EDTA has circulated an electronic feedback questionnaire aimed at collecting impressions, suggestions and remarks from congress members of the last six ERA-EDTA Congresses. Based on the final number of completed questionnaires completed following the 2019 ERA-EDTA Congress in Budapest, ERA-EDTA will offer congress grants to young nephrologists living in low income countries (GDP < USD 10,000) to attend the ERA-EDTA Congress in Milan. The winners will be chosen among those who have submitted an abstract that is then accepted for presentation at the Congress.

This initiative, known as Altruistic Support by Questionnaire (ASQ), has become part of the exclusive ERA-EDTA advantages for young nephrologists living in developing countries all over the world where there is a greater need for education and scientific updates.

The Presenting Authors must be 45 years old or younger on December 31, 2020.

To apply, please fill in the appropriate fields during the abstract submission process at www.era-edta.org/en/milan2020/.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR YOUNG ABSTRACT AUTHORS

ERA-EDTA STANLEY SHALDON AWARD FOR YOUNG INVESTIGATORS
If you are 40 years old or younger, and your abstract is considered one of the best ones submitted during the last three ERA-EDTA Congresses, you could win the ERA-EDTA Stanley Shaldon Award for Young Investigators. The winner will receive the award during the Welcome Ceremony of the annual ERA-EDTA Congress.

The award consists of a special invitation to participate in the ERA-EDTA Congress during which the award is given; 3 years of ERA-EDTA membership (category B); an ex-officio position in the Young Nephrologists’ Platform Board and a prize of EUR 10,000. Do not miss this unique opportunity to submit your abstract to the ERA-EDTA!

More information can be viewed here www.era-edta.org/en/about-era-edta/awards.

YOUNG NEPHROLOGISTS’ PLATFORM “FREE MEMBERSHIP PROJECT”
A 1-year free ERA-EDTA membership is given to 30 authors of an accepted abstract at an ERA-EDTA Congress. Only young people (<= 40 years of age) who are already ERA-EDTA members (category B) as well as YNP members can receive this free ERA-EDTA membership.

More information will be available during the abstract submission procedure.

Abstract and travel grant submission deadline: January 17, 2020
ADMISSION
Admission to the scientific sessions is strictly reserved to registered congress members. Minors cannot access the session halls, even if accompanied by a registered adult. The same applies to the Exhibition area. In order to be fully compliant with both the EFPIA and MedTech, ERA-EDTA does not extend hospitality in any way to persons other than the registered congress participants, i.e. healthcare professionals.

CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE
The certificate of attendance will not be printed onsite and will only be available after the congress. More information in due course at www.era-edta.org. The certificate of attendance will only include the days on which you have scanned your badge.

CEPD (Continuing Education and Professional Development) & Hands-on Courses - Participation and Certificate
The CEPD/Hands-on Courses are exclusively for members who regularly attend one of our congresses. In order to participate, register online at www.era-edta.org/en/milan2020/. Certificate of attendance and UEMS CME credits will be available after the congress. More information in due course at www.era-edta.org.

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The ERA-EDTA is only insured against claims arising from incidents caused by the organisers and their equipment. Participants, exhibitors and visitors are therefore strongly recommended to be properly insured against accidents that could occur when travelling to and from the Congress and during the Congress itself.

LANGUAGE OF THE CONGRESS
The official language of the Congress is English. No simultaneous translation will be provided.

PRESS CENTRE
For accredited journalists only. Full press working facilities and activities, including press conferences, press releases and services for press will be available at the MiCo - Milano Convention Centre during the Congress. For more information contact the ERA-EDTA Press Office at press@era-edta.org.

SOCIAL MEDIA

UEMS CME CREDITS
An application will be made to the European Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (EACCME) for CME accreditation of the 57th ERA-EDTA Congress and pre-congress CMEs. The EACCME is an institution of the European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS). Congress members receiving certificates for ECMEC credits must contact their National Accreditation Authority to have the credits recognised (or converted) in their country of practice.

EACCME credits are recognised by the American Medical Association (AMA) towards the Physician’s Recognition Award (PRA). To convert EACCME credit to AMA PRA category 1 credit, you should contact the AMA directly. The total number of CME credits given to the ERA-EDTA Milan Congress will be posted on the website www.era-edta.org/en/milan2020 as soon as they are available.

HOW TO RECEIVE UEMS CME CREDITS
ERA-EDTA will daily track the attendance of congress members at the MiCo - Milano Convention Centre. Regularly registered congress members must self-scan their badge at the kiosks at the entrance of the lecture rooms (at registered congress members’ own responsibility). The UEMS certificate reflecting the actual attendance (based on the scanning done) can ONLY be available after the congress. More information in due course at www.era-edta.org. The UEMS CME Credit certificate shall NOT be sent by post.

VENUE
MiCo - Milano Convention Centre
Piazzale Carlo Magno, 1
20149 Milan - Italy
www.micomilano.it

Beware of Unofficial Websites!
Please be aware of unofficial websites not linked to the ERA-EDTA when searching online for housing and registrations for the 57th ERA-EDTA Congress. Please make sure to book your congress membership only through the official 57th ERA-EDTA Congress website at www.era-edta.org/en/milan2020 and your accommodation through AIM Group International, the officially appointed housing agent, email: eraedta2020.hotel@aimgroup.eu.
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- Congress and course E-Materials and live streaming
- Special discount of 35% on Oxford University Press books
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CONGRESS MEMBERSHIP & CEPD/HANDS-ON COURSES FEES AND DEADLINES

CEPD/HANDS-ON COURSES (June 6, 2020)
1) In order to attend the CEPD/Hands-on Courses you must be registered for the congress days, the only exception being the 1 Day registration on June 6, 2020.
2) Limited availability (first come first served).

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1 Day ERA-EDTA Member (categories A and B) (CEPD/Hands-on Courses included if you register for June 6) | Not available | EUR 160.00 June 6 or 7 or 8 or 9 | EUR 160.00 June 6 or 7 or 8 or 9 | EUR 160.00 June 6 or 7 or 8 or 9 |
1 Day Non Member → ERA-EDTA Member category C (CEPD/Hands-on Courses included if you register for June 6) | Not available | EUR 200.00 June 6 or 7 or 8 or 9 | EUR 200.00 June 6 or 7 or 8 or 9 | EUR 200.00 June 6 or 7 or 8 or 9 |
2 Days ERA-EDTA Member (categories A and B) (CEPD/Hands-on Courses included if you register for June 6) | Not available | EUR 290.00 June 6-7 or 7-8 or 8-9 | EUR 290.00 June 6-7 or 7-8 or 8-9 | EUR 290.00 June 6-7 or 7-8 or 8-9 |
2 Days Non Member → ERA-EDTA Member category C (CEPD/Hands-on Courses included if you register for June 6) | Not available | EUR 370.00 June 6-7 or 7-8 or 8-9 | EUR 370.00 June 6-7 or 7-8 or 8-9 | EUR 370.00 June 6-7 or 7-8 or 8-9 |
Student/Trainee (29 years or older) | Not available | EUR 300.00 | EUR 300.00 | EUR 300.00 |
Student (28 years old or younger) | Not available | FREE | FREE | FREE |
Patient | Not available | FREE | FREE | FREE |
General Practitioner, Dietitian, Nurse, Dialysis | Not available | EUR 100.00 | EUR 100.00 | EUR 100.00 |

THE MEMBERSHIP FEE INCLUDES:
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1. **ERA-EDTA Member Category A-B**
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2. **Low Income Countries**
   - **ERA-EDTA Member Category A-B**
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3. **Non Member**
   automatically becomes an ERA-EDTA Member, category C.
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4. **Blank group membership** (minimum of 10 or more delegates): booking and payment must be received by the early deadline of March 19, 2020. The final list of names must instead be submitted by May 21, 2020. IMPORTANT NOTE: The membership fee of EUR 500.00 per person for the “Blank group” also includes the CEPD/Hands-on Courses on June 6.

5. **1 Day membership** is available online from March 20 until June 9, 2020. You can register online also during the congress or directly at the MiCo - Milano Convention Centre, from June 5, 2020. This type of membership allows admission to the session, poster and exhibition halls only on the date mentioned on the congress badge. It is also possible to make two one-day memberships if you are only able to attend for 2 non-consecutive days.

6. **2 Days membership** is available online from March 20 until June 9, 2020. You can register online also during the congress or directly at the MiCo - Milano Convention Centre, from June 5, 2020. This type of membership allows admission to the session, poster and exhibition halls only on the dates mentioned on the congress badge.

7. **Student/trainee membership**
   The birth year must be from 1985 to 1991 (included).
   Online registration available from March 20 to June 4, 2020. During the online procedure you must upload a photocopy of your picture ID (passport, identity card, driving license with birth date), a photocopy of your original student’s card to prove your status. ERA-EDTA reserves the right to verify all declarations. From June 5, 2020 you can only register onsite at the MiCo - Milano Convention Centre. If you register onsite at the MiCo - Milano Convention Centre you must show the documents mentioned above to the hostess at the New Registration desk.

   **IMPORTANT**: Please note that congress Members category C will not be entitled to reimbursement if, at a later stage, they become Members category A-B or if, despite being active Members category A-B, they incorrectly register as category C Members. Once the registration has been processed it cannot be changed or reimbursed.

   **PREScribing Professionals**
   Prescribing professionals will have a different type of badge; it will thus be possible to distinguish them from the other healthcare professionals.

8. **Student membership**
   Reserved to students up to 28 years old - the birth year must not be earlier than 1992. Online registration available from March 20 to June 4, 2020. During the online procedure you must upload a photocopy of your picture ID (passport, identity card, driving license with birth date), a photocopy of your original student’s card to prove your status. ERA-EDTA reserves the right to verify all declarations. From June 5, 2020 you can only register onsite at the MiCo - Milano Convention Centre. If you register onsite at the MiCo - Milano Convention Centre you must show the documents mentioned above to the hostess at the New Registration desk.

   **IMPORTANT**: If the badge is used, there cannot be any refund. Blank group registrations have different policy for refunds. For more information please contact registrations@era-edta.org.

**CANCELLATION POLICY**

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<td>75% of the amount paid, net of bank charges.</td>
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**IMPORTANT NOTE: NO NAME CHANGES FOR INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATIONS ARE POSSIBLE.**

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**TRANSPORTATION**

**MiCo – Milano Convention Centre**

MiCo – Milano Convention Centre has excellent connections to the city centre and the airport via ground transportation. The main metro stops next to the venue are: Portello, Lotto and Amendola stations.

**By air**

**Linate airport**

Take bus no. 73 in the "National Arrivals Exit" area all the way to the terminal in Via Gonzaga / Piazza Diaz (Underground M1 Duomo – Red Line). Enter the Metro and get on the Red Line (Line 1 towards Rho Fiera Milano). Get off at the “Amendola” stop (700m from the Congress Centre), or at “Lotto” (approximately 800m from the MiCo – Milano Convention Centre).

**Malpensa airport**

The “Malpensa Express” train service will take you directly from the airport to the centre of Milan in 40 minutes, arriving at “Cadorna” station. From here, take the Red Line Metro (Line 1 towards Rho Fiera Milano). Get off at the “Amendola” stop, (700m from the MiCo – Milano Convention Centre), or at “Lotto” (approximately 800m).

**Orio al Serio airport**

The “Autostradale” or “Air Pullman” bus service will take you directly from the airport to Milan Central Station in 60 minutes. From here, take the Green Line Metro (Line 2 towards Abbiategrasso) and get off at “Cadorna” station.
From here, take the Red Line Metro (Line 1 towards Rho Fiera Milano). Get off at the “Amendola” stop, (700m from the MiCo – Milano Convention Centre), or at “Lotto” (approximately 800m).

**By train**

**Central Station**
Take the Green Line Metro (Line 2 towards Abbiatengrasso) and get off at “Cadorna” station. Then get on Red Line Metro (Line 1 towards Rho Fiera Milano). Get off at the “Amendola” stop (700m from the MiCo – Milano Convention Centre), or at “Lotto” (approximately 800m).

**Garibaldi Station**
Take the Lilac Line Metro (Line 5 towards San Siro) and get off at “Portello” stop. Exit the metro station and you will be able to reach the MiCo – Milano Convention Centre on foot.

**Cadorna Station**
Take the Red Line Metro (Line 1 towards Rho Fiera Milano) and get off at the “Amendola” stop, (700m from the MiCo – Milano Convention Centre), or at “Lotto” (approximately 800m).

**Domodossola Treno Nord Station**
Take the Lilac Line Metro (Line 5 towards San Siro) and get off at “Portello” stop. Exit the subway just a few feet walk from the MiCo – Milano Convention Centre.

**Public transport**

**Buses**
Bus No. 78 – Get off at Eginardo/Colleoni stop

**Metro**
- Lilac Line (Line 5): Get off at the “Portello” stop (80m from the MiCo – Milano Convention Centre).
- Red Line (Line 1): Get off at the “Amendola” stop (700m from the MiCo – Milano Convention Centre), or at “Lotto” (approximately 800m).
- Green Line (Line 2): Get off at “Cadorna”, then change to Red line (Line 1 towards Rho Fiera Milano) and get off at the “Amendola” stop (700m from the MiCo – Milano Convention Centre), or at “Lotto” (approximately 800m).
- Yellow Line (Line 3): Get off at “Duomo”, then switch to Red line (Line 1 towards Rho Fiera Milano) and get off at the “Amendola” stop (700m from the MiCo – Milano Convention Centre), or at “Lotto” (approximately 800m).
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- find out whether, depending on your citizenship, country of long-term residence and the duration and reasons for your stay, you need a visa to enter Italy
- find out which documents are required in order to apply for your visa.

ATTENTION
Is your attendance to the conference related to your professional activity (Business class visa) or to tourism? Do select the correct type of visa.
Visa application may require up to 120 days.
Visa application fee goes from EUR 25 to EUR 116 per person to be paid at application, in local currency, directly at the Consulate or Embassy.
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We will be pleased to assist you if you need additional documents to support your VISA Application. Feel free to contact us at visa@aimgroup.eu.

Invitation Letter
The Official Invitation Letter to obtain an entry visa for Italy can be downloaded from the congress website www.era-edta.org/en/milan2020/AFTER your registration is accepted and paid. No support can be granted when registration has not yet been accepted.
The Invitation Letter does not legally and/or financially oblige the Organizing Secretariat in any way. All expenses incurred in relation to the conference are the sole responsibility of the delegate.
If you are asked to enclose additional documents/forms despite the standard invitation letter, please email us at visa@aimgroup.eu once registered for the congress and we will be happy to issue the necessary forms.

Guarantee Letter for Chinese Citizens
If you are a Chinese citizen (RPC - 中华人民共和国 - 中华人民共和国), in accordance to the agreements between the Authorities, you are demanded to obtain an additional guarantee letter issued by AIM Group (Local Agent of the Conference). The guarantee letter will be sent to you by express courier. Please contact us at visa@aimgroup.eu for more instructions. Costs will be charged to the applicant.
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Hotel Accommodation

For any information and/or reservation please contact the Official Housing Bureau and Travel Agency of the congress:

**AIM Group International - AIM Italy - Milan Office**
Via G. Ripamonti, 129
20141 Milan
Italy
Phone: +39 02 566011
Fax: +39 02 56609043
E-mail: eraedta2020.hotel@aimgroup.eu

Rooms at preferential rates have been reserved in Milan for the period of the Congress.

Please ensure that your hotel reservation is made by **May 16, 2020**. After this date, room availability is not guaranteed.

**IMPORTANT**

A minimum stay of 2 nights is requested.

**Guarantee/Payment of Hotel Reservation**
The total amount for the stay will be charged on credit card upon confirmation of the booking. AIM Group International - AIM Italy - Milan Office will issue an invoice for the amount charged. Please keep in mind that EU citizens will be asked to fill in their Tax Nr in accordance to EU regulations.

**Cancellation Policy**
Any change or cancellation of the hotel reservation must be sent to AIM Group International - AIM Italy - Milan Office by written letter.

- written cancellation within January 2, 2020: no penalty, total refund of paid amount.
- written cancellation between February 2, 2020 and April 2, 2020: 30% of payment will be kept as a cancellation fee and the remaining amount will be refunded.
- written cancellation from April 3, 2020: no refund will be provided for any change or cancellation.

The booked rooms will be available to participants for the first reserved night. In case of no-show, reservations will automatically be cancelled, rooms will be reassigned and the hotel will not refund the payment received.

**Milan City Tax**
City tax is not included in the rates (it goes from EUR 4 per person per night for guests staying at 3-star hotels to EUR 5 per person per night for guests at 5-star hotels). City tax will be charged up to a maximum of 10 nights per stay.

**GROUP ACCOMMODATION**
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