SPECIAL EDITION:
EMEUNET SUBGROUPS
AND ACTIVITIES
Dear young rheumatologists and researchers in rheumatology,

We are very happy to present you with a new issue of EMEUNews introducing the EMEUNET subgroups and their activities.

The EMEUNET Working Group represents the EMEUNET community, undertakes the organisational role, and currently has 47 members from 21 of the EULAR countries. The work is divided among 7 subgroups to cover the wide aims of EMEUNET. From education to peer mentoring, from country liaison to social media, EMEUNET subgroups ensure the growth of the EMEUNET community and promote interaction and networking among members.

The call for applications for the EMEUNET Working Group for 2018-2019 is now open! You can apply here, see page 3 of this newsletter for more details. If you have previously applied but have not been selected, this does not preclude you from applying again next year.

In this issue you will also find details about upcoming educational events.

If this is your first contact with EMEUNET, we invite you to explore more and join us via our website (http://emeunet.eular.org). If you are already part of our community, we kindly remind you that sharing is caring. Spread the word about our activities and work and help us reach more young rheumatologists and researchers.

We hope that you enjoy reading this newsletter and would be happy to receive any comments or contributions for future issues.

*Richard Conway on behalf of the EMEUNET Newsletter Subgroup*
APPLY TO THE EMEUNET WORKING GROUP

2018-2019

The EMEUNET Working Group consists of 40-50 young rheumatologists and researchers who are responsible for the core activities of EMEUNET for a 3-year period.

The Working Group includes 7 subgroups: education, country liaisons, social media, visibility, newsletters, peer mentoring and global affairs. Each Working Group member works within one subgroup but participation in other subgroups is also possible. To have more information on the different activities and on our current working group members check our latest working group newsletter.

To apply for Working Group membership, you must qualify to the following criteria:

1) Registered Member of EMEUNET (register here).
2) Maximum age = 40 (at time of application).
3) Country of residence in one of the member countries of EULAR.
4) Interest in research and/or education in rheumatology as indicated by your letter of motivation in the application form; this letter should also express your views about the future of EMEUNET and its activities.
5) Research active: at least 1 abstract as first author in an international congress or 1 first authorship of a manuscript in a peer-reviewed journal.

The yearly application process for membership into the EMEUNET Working Group is highly competitive. Selection is based on the letter of motivation, scientific merit, prior work as country liaison as well as geographic representation within the Working Group.

Please be aware that if you applied in the past and we could not accept your application due to the limited number of places you can re-apply this year!

Please note that your motivation letter is a highly valued part of your application. You should use it to demonstrate your interest in furthering the aims of EMEUNET and to provide your views about the future directions and specific activities that EMEUNET should develop in the near future.

With the growing EMEUNET activities on Social Media interest/skills in this domain will be also valued.

When applying, please consider that Working Group membership requires that you devote substantial time and energy to further the aims of EMEUNET on a regular basis.

The deadline to send in your application (click here to access the form) is March 7th 2018; please send your completed application form and signed letter of support (scanned) to: emeunet@eular.ch. Candidates will be notified in early April.

We look forward to your applications!