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ExPAEDition 2026 | Support for Young Paediatricians from Your National Society

Dear EAP National Delegates, National Society representatives, and colleagues,

On behalf of the European Academy of Paediatrics (EAP) and Young EAP, we are pleased to announce that applications are now open for ExPAEDition 2026, a short observership exchange programme designed to support the professional development of young paediatricians across Europe.

ExPAEDition 2026 offers up to five paediatric residents the opportunity to complete a clinical observership at the Hospices Civils de Lyon, France, from 19–27 October 2026, followed by participation in CEPAS 2026 (28–31 October 2026), the joint biennial meeting of EAP and the European Society for Paediatric Research (ESPR).

Participants will observe clinical practice in a European healthcare setting, gain insight into different systems, connect with peers from across Europe, and attend CEPAS as part of the programme. The small group format makes this an extremely valuable and personalised experience.

While the observership is hosted by Hospices Civils de Lyon and CEPAS participation is included (with registration reimbursed by EAP upon successful completion of the programme), participants are responsible for travel, accommodation, local transport, and daily expenses. For many residents, these costs can be a significant barrier.

We would like to ask whether your society would be willing to support one eligible resident from your country through a shared funding model. The estimated support per participant is 1,000 €, with the proposed contribution shared equally between EAP and the National Society at 500 € each.

This grant would help cover travel, accommodation, and other related costs, while a modest personal contribution from the participant may also be encouraged.

We would be very grateful to learn whether your society would be interested in participating in this initiative and supporting the development of young paediatricians from your country at a European level.

Please do not hesitate to contact us should you require any further information.

With kind regards,

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