

AEPC IMAGING WORKING GROUP EDUCATION GRANT – 2020-21

The Association for European Paediatric Cardiology (AEPC) Imaging Working Group (IWG) is offering 3 Educational Grants for Junior Members (JM).

AIMS

- To assist a JM in training to access an educational experience not available to them in their home institution.
- To increase collaboration amongst congenital cardiology centres across Europe.

ELIGIBILITY

The applicant must be an AEPC JM and member of IWG, in good standing. In addition, the applicant should have elected the IWG as their affiliated WG.

The project should involve education in CHD imaging and be hosted by a European centre other than applicant's home institution.

Applicants are accepted from within Europe only, and must intend to return to their home institution at the end of the project.

The applicant should obtain written agreement for the proposal from the proposed host institution prior to submitting application.

GRANT

The applicant with the best grant proposal will receive € 3,000 (1st prize). The 2nd best applicant will receive € 1,500 and the 3rd best will receive € 750.

This can be used to contribute towards subsistence, accommodation and travel costs.

The grant does not cover salary or any other costs.

The project should be completed within 1 year after the grant has been awarded.

A summary report from the project must be provided in writing to the IWG within 3 months of completion.

A completed AEPC IWG JM Grant application (Appendix 1) should be sent to the IWG Secretary by **30th November 2020**.

The IWG Board will evaluate all applications and award the grants. Candidates will be notified of the outcome by **31st December 2020**.

Centres in Europe offering free accommodation to applicant for the JM are preferred. However, the project can also be in a centre not offering free accommodation

EVALUATION CRITERIA

1) Candidate's background

Assessment of previous research and/or clinical experience. Does the candidate have an appropriate skill set to perform the project?

2) Merit of the project

Is the area of study not available in the applicant's home institution? Will the applicant return to their home institution with expertise that can be applied locally?

3) Practicality

Is the project achievable in the time frame allotted? Can the skills learned in the host institution be implemented in the home institution?

Each criterion scored from 1-5, maximum score 5 for each criterion, maximum total score 15.

GRANT APPLICATION – WHAT TO SUBMIT

- Application form (see appendix 1).
- Details of proposed educational activity, including weekly timetable.
- Curriculum vitae of applicant.
- Letter of support from applicant's supervisor or head of department in home institution. The letter needs to describe the skills of the candidate and guarantee continued employment at his/her home institution after finishing the travel fellowship.
- Letter of support and acceptance from applicant's proposed supervisor in host institution.

Appendix 1

**APPLICATION FORM FOR AEPC IMAGING WORKING GROUP EDUCATION GRANT
2020-2021**

Given Name

Family Name

Date of birth

AEPC membership - Yes / No Valid until: __ / __ / __

Imaging Working Group Member - Yes / No

Contact address:

Email Address:

Telephone:

Title of proposed project:

Short Description:

Home institution:

Current post:

Proposed Host institution:

Supervisor in Host Institution:

Email of Host Supervisor: