

ESPGHAN Newsletter 2020**Issue 99 February 2020**

A very busy societal meeting period, including the Annual Strategy Day and Winter Council Meeting, was concluded in the first week of February. In addition, the Scientific Committee has finalised the programme for the World Congress, which will take place in Copenhagen, Denmark on the 03-06 June 2020. Please visit the dedicated [congress website](#) to view the programme and all other relevant information.

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1. Key Points and Actions from the Winter ESPGHAN Council Meeting

Council agreed to and approved:

- The formation of a Committee for both Education and Research related issues, to ensure further progress is made in these fields arising from the ESPGHAN Strategy Day
- The creation of the Quality of Care Task Force that will take forward the initiative to implement the project set out in the 2019-2022 Strategy Plan
- The candidates for Council positions in 2020, with the voting set to be disseminated to Members in the first week of March
- The creation of an Endoscopy Fellowship which is now included in the ESPGHAN Rules and Regulations ([please click here for updated version](#))

2. Open Positions**Committee Positions for 2020**

Nutrition Committee; 1 position in the Nutrition Committee

Deadline for application is 30.03.2020

If you are interested in applying for the above role, please contact the office at office@espghan.org

3. Upcoming Events

Our event schedule for 2020 has been finalised. The full list and overview is available on our [Meetings and Events](#) section of the ESPGHAN website.

6th World Congress of Paediatric Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition

Date: **03-06 June 2020**

Venue: **Copenhagen, Denmark**

For more details [please click here](#).

ESPGHAN PEDTW International Workshop on Therapeutic Digestive Endoscopy in Children

Date: **17-19 June 2020**

Venue: **Rome, Italy**

Course Directors: **Luigi Dall'Oglio**

For more details [please click here](#).

ESPGHAN GI Summer School

Date: **24-26 June 2020**
Venue: **Jerusalem, Israel**
Course Directors: **Michael Wilschanski**
For more details [please click here](#).

ESPGHAN Eastern European Summer School

Date: **02-04 July 2020**
Venue: **St. Petersburg, Russia**
Course Directors: **Anatoly Khavkin, Julia Dimitrieva, Christina Hauer**
For more details [please click here](#).

4. Important Information for Members

NITE Masterclass Postponement

Due to the recent outbreak of CoV-19 infection, the decision was made to postpone the NITE Masterclass, scheduled for the 1st of April in Bergamo Italy, by six months. More information will be provided on the new date in due time.

Guideline Public Consultation

In accordance with our Rules and Regulations, Guidelines on the **Use of Probiotics on the Management of Acute Gastroenteritis are opened** for comments for a period of 10 days. The manuscript and the instructions for submissions of comments, can be found on the ESPGHAN Website by [clicking here](#).

Coeliac Disease Advice Guide

The new clinical advice guide for Coeliac Disease has been finalised and can be found on the ESPGHAN website ([please click here](#))

Request for Member input into Survey on Cerebral Palsy

The author group of the Guidelines on the nutritional and gastroenterological problems in children with neurological impairment have requested input for a survey on cerebral palsy (link: <https://s.surveyplanet.com/qJDh2B5Y>)

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