



Dear Colleagues,

This year, an agreement was signed between the Gesellschaft für pädiatrische Pneumologie e.V. (GPP) and the European Respiratory Society (ERS). We would like to jointly provide you with a short summary of the scope of this important and innovative agreement.

All GPP members can become ERS members with all associated benefits and rights, as follows:

- a. Electronic access to the following journals: the *European Respiratory Journal* (ERJ) including ERS Congress Abstracts and proceedings supplements of the ERJ, *European respiratory Review* (ERR), *Breathe* and the *Monograph*
- b. Receipt of the ERS Weekly newsletter
- c. Possibility to order printed copies of the ERS publications at a special discounted price
- d. Opportunity to participate at the scientific program of the annual congress of the ERS
- e. Preferred access to ERS Educational Services online and Events
- f. Opportunity to apply for endorsement of GPP Educational Services
- g. Opportunity to participate and vote in the constitutional meetings of the ERS
- h. Opportunity to become a candidate for elections of ERS Assemblies up to Assembly Head without any residence restriction
- i. Opportunity to become a candidate for elections of the Executive Committee, up to ERS Presidency, provided they have their main residence in Europe
- j. Opportunity to apply for the prestigious academic distinction of "Fellow of the ERS" (FERS)

In order to make all ERS membership benefits available to GPP members, GPP must disclose some of your personal data to ERS for the sole purpose of creating a database of GPP members, which will be used only under the terms of our joint agreement.

One of the key points of this agreement which we wish to highlight is the reduced ERS membership fee for GPP members, as follows:

- Fee for GPP member aged under 65 years of age wishing to become an ERS member: €20 per year
- GPP member aged 65 years and over wishing to become an ERS member: €0 The ERS offers <u>free</u> membership to all GPP members aged 65 years and over.

We hope this agreement proves advantageous to GPP and of mutual individual and corporate benefit for our two societies.

Kind regards,

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