Dear ESCMID and Affiliated Society Members

Today's ESCMID Online News focuses on Society news, on the upcoming ECCMID 2008 in Barcelona and on the latest European funding opportunities.

1. **Call for ESCMID Awards, Grants and Fellowships 2008**
The application and nomination deadline for the 2008 awards, grants and fellowships is approaching: 1 November 2007. We are looking forward to receiving your submissions! [Details here](#)

2. **Minutes of Assembly of Members 2007**
The Assembly of Members 2007 was held during the 17th ECCMID in Munich on 1 April 2007. [Details here](#)

3. **ESCMID Call for Images**
ESCMID is seeking attractive pictures to be used in printed matter and on the website. [Details here](#)

4. **18th ECCMID Barcelona 19-22 April 2008**
The Preliminary Scientific Programme is now online. Please register now and benefit from the early registration discount for ESCMID members.

5. **European Funding Opportunities and Reports**

   - **European & Developing Countries Clinical Trials Partnership (EDCTP) Calls are Open**
     These calls for proposals are in support of studies for the treatment and prevention of malaria in pregnancy (Call 1) and to conduct phase II studies for the treatment of malaria (Call 2)
     Deadline for both calls: 26 November 2007

   - **FP7 European Research Council (ERC) Advanced Investigator Grants**
     The ERC will fund frontier research in all scientific and technological areas carried out by individual teams. This call targets established top researchers in basic research. The first call is expected to be launched before the end of 2007.
     Deadlines are planned for spring 2008

   - **European Commission Launches Green Paper on Bio-preparedness**
     Stakeholders are invited by the European Commission to comment on the Green Paper, which examines all aspects of bio-preparedness, including prevention, protection, prosecution, surveillance, response and recovery.
     Deadline: Responses should be sent by 1 October 2007 to Biopreparedness@ec.europa.eu

   - **European Cooperation in Science and Technology (COST) Call for Proposals is Open**

**Forthcoming ESCMID Events**

- **7-11 October 2007**
  3rd Conference on New Frontiers in Microbiology and Infection - *Streptococcus pneumoniae*
  Villars-sur-Ollon, Switzerland
  Registration still possible for a small number of participants on first-come basis.

- **22-24 October 2007**
  GRACE Workshop LRTI - Current Concepts in Pathogenesis, Microbiology, Epidemiology and Economic Impact
  Prague, Czech Republic
  Registration closed when course capacity is reached.

- **7-9 November 2007**
  Bacterial Adaptation Mechanisms: Biofilms, Hypermutability and Antibiotic Resistance
  43rd ESCMID Postgraduate Technical Workshop and Symposium
  Palma de Mallorca, Spain
  Registration still possible for a small number of participants on first-come basis.

- **10-13 November 2007**
  ESCMID/SHEA Training Course in Hospital Epidemiology
  Prague, Czech Republic
  Registration closed when course capacity is reached.

- **18-20 November 2007**
  2nd ESCMID Conference on *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*
  Barcelona, Spain
  Registration deadline:
COST is an intergovernmental network which finances networking for nationally funded activities. Deadline: 30 September 2007

ECDC Call for Tender on "Adverse Events Following Immunization (AEFI) in EU: Systems Evaluation, Epidemiological Investigation, Training and Risk Communication"
Deadline has been extended to 28 September 2007

Best regards,
ESCMID Executive Committee