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Dear Prof. Reusz Gyorgy,

We are glad to inform you that the **ERA-EDTA Fellowship Programme** is continuing and that the **next deadline to apply is September 1st 2012.**

As you probably know, this Programme gives the opportunity to young investigators and clinicians to increase their contribution towards the development of Nephrology, Dialysis and Transplantation in their countries as well as to increase the exchange among European Nephrology Centres.

From 2006 till 2011 53 short term fellowships and 64 long term fellowships have been attributed and, starting from September 2009, the Programme is no more restricted to exchanges among different European Countries, but is also allowed within the same Country; nevertheless, priority will be given to Fellowships exchange among different Country.

The Fellowship Programme is open to all young investigators and clinicians living in the geographical area of ERA-EDTA, including all European Countries and Countries bordering Europe and the Mediterranean Sea: *Albania, Algeria, Andorra, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Egypt, Estonia, Finland, FYRM of Macedonia, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Kazakhstan, Latvia, Lebanon, Libya, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Moldova, Monaco, Montenegro, Morocco, The Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, San Marino, Serbia, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, Switzerland, Sweden, Syria, Tunisia, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom.*

ERA-EDTA supports two different kinds of fellowships:

- 1 LONG TERM FELLOWSHIPS**, intended for advanced training through research;
- 2 SHORT TERM FELLOWSHIPS**, intended for:
 - a)** promoting a research collaboration between two institutions;

b) training in specific clinical techniques (e.g. renal biopsy and pathology, epidemiological skills, renal ultrasound and so on...).

The applicant can propose to have the fellowship in any centre within the ERA-EDTA geographical area. Moreover, in order to help the applicants to find a receiving centre, the Association invited Clinical and Research centres within its geographical area which are willing to receive a fellow to manifest their availability and created two lists. You may find the lists as well as all details concerning the centres at the following links:

CLINICAL CENTRES: http://www.era-edta.org/dati/pagine/allegato_201207060341.pdf

RESEARCH CENTRES: http://www.era-edta.org/dati/pagine/allegato_201207060454.pdf

We kindly invite you to inform as many young doctors as possible about this opportunity. All information is available in the Fellowship Programme section of our official web site (<http://www.era-edta.org/page-9-50-0-50-fellowshipprogramme.html>).

With our best regards,

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