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CALL FOR NOMINATIONS: UEGF EBM Practice Course 2011

UEGF Education is pleased to announce the 1st UEGF EBM (Evidence Based Medicine) Practice Course (to be held from Thursday till Saturday, December 1-3, 2011 in Vienna, Austria) and calls for nominations of suitable participants. The aim of the UEGF EBM Practice Course is to teach EBM principles and their practical application to both, junior and senior physicians in the field of GI throughout Europe.

UEGF invites all National GI Societies to nominate up to two junior and two senior gastroenterologists with great interest in Evidence Based Medicine, its transfer into clinical practice and application during daily routine. By doing this, UEGF aims for enhancing and bringing forward collaborations between young trainees and established specialists in the field.

Programme

The programme has been elaborated by the newly created UEGF EBM task force consisting of eight experts in the field and combines interdisciplinary clinical cases with questions of diagnosis and therapy. Search strategies will have to be formulated by the meeting participants to answer the questions raised; the transfer of EBM into clinical practice will be discussed and EBM learning opportunities identified. The course delegates will be guided by tutors and stimulated with short input lectures. Consequently, they will be asked to work in break-out groups and report back the results achieved.

Nomination

National GI Societies are asked to complete the appropriate Nomination Form and send it to Verena Marlovits from the UEGF Secretariat by e-mail or fax. Nominations by email incl. all personal data of the nominee(s) will also be accepted. **Deadline for nomination: September 30, 2011**

Selection

A maximum of 48 nominees will be invited. The selection will be done on a first-come, first-served basis. Besides the envisioned balance of experience in form of junior and senior gastroenterologists, no other criteria for acceptance or qualification will apply. So early nomination is being encouraged.

Notification

Notification of invitation to participate will be provided by e-mail as soon as the first 48 participants have been selected, by beginning of October at the very latest. UEGF offers travel grants up to € 300, two nights' of accommodation, dinners and group meals throughout the duration of the course. A registration fee of € 150 has to be paid by the delegates to confirm their participation in the course.

Please note that **nominations can only be submitted by National GI Societies.** Interested persons are asked to contact their National Society and individual applications will be forwarded to the responsible society. **National GI Societies are asked to hand in a maximum of 2 junior and 2 senior nominations.**

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to call or email Verena Marlovits from the UEGF Secretariat <u>v.marlovits@medadvice.co.at</u> and to visit the UEGF website <u>www.uegf.org</u> for further information.

Kind regards,

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