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## EFIM Endorsement Guidelines

### About EFIM

The European Federation of Internal Medicine is a scientific organisation founded in 1996 from the European Association of Internal Medicine. The Federation brings together the National Societies of Internal Medicine of different countries across Europe, representing over 40,000 internists. The purpose is to re-emphasise the importance of Internal Medicine in patient care in a world of increasing specialisation.

The Federation is registered under the Belgian Law as International non for profit association.

**EFIM National Society Members** There are currently 34 National Societies from 32 member countries. EFIM member societies join the mutual efforts to promote all aspects of internal medicine within Europe.

### External Events Endorsement

EFIM is often asked to endorse educational and scientific meetings. It is key to maintain certain standards of performance and scientific quality in every initiative where the Federation appears.

It assumes no responsibility for the organisational, planning, operational or financial aspects of the meeting. If requested, EFIM can/will offer professional and scientific advice, as appropriate.

The proposed meeting or course should be able to stimulate an attendance of a reasonable size with regard to the specific characteristics of the initiative (congress, workshop, course, etc.), treating one specific topic, and not in competition with the events organised by EFIM. The quality of the programme and faculty are important criteria to assess the relevance of the event.

Kindly note that the following criteria will be considered:

The event targets an international audience

The event programme is in line with EFIM educational and/or scientific standards

The event is not competing with other EFIM-organised activities

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The event programme is in accordance with academic standards / Accreditation (CME Accreditation)

The event involves International and European speakers

The event involves EFIM Members

The event is in line with the overall mission and values of EFIM

## PROCEDURE

The organiser/s must receive Endorsement approval from the local national society prior to applying for EFIM Endorsement.

The organiser/s must return the completed application form to the EFIM office 3 - 6 months prior to the event. This application will be forwarded to EFIM Executive Committee who will:

- review the proposed programme with particular regard to the objectives and the scientific quality of the programme;
- assess the interest of the EFIM in endorsing the educational/scientific event;
- provide inputs to the final decision's makers within 1 month

The EFIM decision (including major comments) will be sent to the event's organisers by the EFIM Secretariat.

EFIM will charge a fee for endorsement. The fee will be based upon several criteria. Sponsorship and the size of the meeting are the most important criteria. National congresses of EFIM members' societies will be Endorsed free of charge.

## ENDORSEMENT BENEFITS AND COLLABORATION

Upon approval, EFIM will:

- advertise the event on the EFIM website (LINK);
- Up to date the members of the national societies via EFIM communication channels;

Note that:

- EFIM endorsement does not involve financial or administrative support by the EFIM.

**In exchange the Organiser of the event should:**

- Mention "Endorsed by EFIM" with EFIM name and logo printed on the electronic document. A copy and links should be sent to EFIM Office prior to the event;

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- Submit the proofs of the Programmes to the EFIM Office;
- when possible, offer the possibility to EFIM for promotion onsite (stand, inserts distributed with meeting material, distribution of flyers, intersession slides, and other promotion channels available onsite);
- when possible, reduce the registration fees for EFIM Societies' Members.

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