



To: National Nurses Associations of Europe / EFN member associations

From: European Nursing Students Association - board

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Invitation of students of National Nurses Associations to European Nursing Students Association Annual General Meeting and Conference

Nursing students represent the future of the nursing profession and we will have an extensive role in shaping the profession, promoting health and wellbeing in Europe. There is currently quite a bit of interest in engaging students and novice nurses in the work of the European Union, the World Health Organization and other international organizations. That shows that nurse students voice around Europe and even world need to be heard.

The Year of the Nurse and The Midwife and Nursing Now campaign is an opportunity for us to increase the status and profile of nurses globally. It is important that this work starts already when we are students. We want to strengthen the voice of nursing students in Europe by engaging with the European Nursing Students Association.

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As representatives of nursing students and novice nurses around Europe want to invite you to encourage your student nurses to take part in ENSA's Annual General Meeting and Conference, this year exceptionally held online via Microsoft Teams.

We want to show future nurses, that their voice is significant in raising the profile of nursing and that by their involvement they can create the world as they want to live in, work in, and contribute toward.



Initially, the ENSA Board planned to organize its Annual General Meeting in Tallin in parallel with the General Assembly of the European Federation of Nurses Associations on 15th – 16th October 2020, but because of COVID-19 we had to change the form of AGM.

This year, our agenda is focused on the engagement of student nurses on a global level and empowering those who do not have one to create their own national nursing students associations and network with their international peers. We believe, that it would result in cooperation between NNSAs and increase meaning them in creating nursing around Europe.

Involvement student nurses in fighting with COVID-19 inclines us to raise the discussion how it affected on their education and perception of nursing. We want to hear their stories.

Like every year at the ENSA AGM an election of the new Board will be held. We encourage nursing students to stand for election.

Details of the online AGM and Conference can be found on the Royal College of Nursing's website by following this link: <https://bit.ly/34jZ7JN>

The online AGM and Conference will be held on **Tuesday 13th October 09:00-16:00 (London time)**. Please also find attached the programme of the Conference and also that of the AGM.

The ENSA Conference is open to all Nursing Students in Europe.

The ENSA AGM is open to National Nursing Students' Associations in countries that are members of the Council of Europe.

A few important URL addresses:

RCN website with full conference details (open to **all** nursing students in Europe):
<https://bit.ly/34jZ7JN>

Registration form of AGM participants: <https://bit.ly/2HXeQa5>

Registration form for elections to the 2021 ENSA Board: <https://bit.ly/3iBHomr>

We are kindly asking for your support by sharing the information with your nursing students. Should you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the 2020 ENSA Board president-ensa@outlook.com .

Sincerely yours,

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Bartosz Pryba

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