



Agreement
Between the Vascular Access Society (VAS) and the European Dialysis and Transplant Nurses Association/European Renal Care Association (EDTNA/ERCA)
(EDTNA/ERCA)

Purposes

This agreement is entered into for the purposes of mutually benefiting and contributing to the development of both the Vascular Access Society (hereafter called VAS) and the European Dialysis and Transplant Nurses Association/European Renal Care Association (EDTNA/ERCA) (hereafter called EDTNA/ERCA)

In view of the current ongoing collaboration between and VAS and EDTNA/ERCA, the two societies have decided to sign an updated general agreement based on the points outlined below

PART I - Ambassador exchange program at the VAS Meeting and the EDTNA-ERCA

- a. Develop a partnership for the annual/biennial meetings.
 - i. Organise a Vascular Access Session; endorsed by the two societies. The scientific content is to be agreed on by the 2 societies
 - ii. The host society will invite one person or two persons (one or two board member) from the other society:
 1. This invitee will receive travel reimbursement, accommodation and congress registration by the host organization based on the host organization's rules. The VAS annual congress takes place every other year, the EDTNA ERCA meeting takes place every year, invitations and reimbursements for both societies will take place therefore every other year. If VAS would organise a meeting in a year without congress the invitations can be discussed also for that specific year.

PART II - Promotion of the EDTNA-ERCA Congress (held every year) and the VAS Meeting (held every two years) and the respective organizations.

- a. A link/banner of the respective congresses/meetings will be placed on each of the organization's websites.
- b. A link/banner of the respective organizations will be placed on the respective websites.
- c. Exchange of advertising in different media, like congress Final programme booklet, congress bag, congress website, society website or similar.
- d. Facilitate the possibility of discounts for meeting registration reciprocally.

PART III – Other collaborations.

- a. Support of VAS to educational projects organized by EDTNA-ERCA.



- i. Facilitate that Both societies have shared copyright of publications, books or other scientific documents. These works will be offered to members in the login area of the website.
 1. *Specifications of the copyright will be discussed between both societies if needed*
- b. Collaboration for joint scientific initiatives (i.e. epidemiological research; guidelines; etc.).

Amendment and Enforcement of this agreement

This formal agreement of collaboration will start from 17 September 2019 until December 2019. It will then be automatically renewed, for a 12 month period, each year, at December 31.

Each society may withdraw from the agreement (in one, more or all of its points) by giving the other society 6 months' notice.

As agreed,

Date: 16.09.2019

Place: Prague

Date:

17.09.2019

Place:

Barcelona

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