

Dear new member of the EuGMS – ECGI (Early-Career Geriatricians Initiative),

Thank you for joining us!

We invite you to take a few moments to read hereafter and get introduced to our Group.

At the end of 2019 the EuGMS Executive Board decided to launch a new initiative to help early-career geriatricians play a greater part in the life of EuGMS. Main goals are:

- To help and support networking amongst early-career geriatricians and create suitable opportunities for early career congress-participants from across Europe to meet and get to know each other
- To ensure that the Boards of EuGMS hear the voice, concerns, and aspirations of early career colleagues
- To get more early-career attendees to the congresses
- To actively support the EuGMS Social Media Group

In addition, with support from the EuGMS Special Interest Groups -SIGs ([Special Interest Groups - EuGMS](#)) we hope to:

- Increase research activities done by early career geriatricians
- Attract more early career geriatricians to join the EuGMS SIGs
- Initiate a channel for senior support to early career researchers

To this day, the Group proved to be very active and 5 Working Groups -WG- have been activated:

1. WG on ECGI Blog: this Group writes and reviews short texts for the blog and keeps an eye on news about geriatrics in the world: [BLOG | ECGI Blog \(eugms-ecgi-blog.com\)](#)
2. WG on ECGI Map: this WG is mapping communities of young geriatricians in the member countries of the EuGMS.
3. WG of EuGMS Reporters: this WG allows its members to attend other scientific Congresses (congresses of societies the EuGMS has active Memorandum of Understanding with) and to report about interesting points of these congresses, possible connections with younger colleagues of these societies and suitable opportunities for younger congress-participants from across Europe to meet and get to know each other.
4. WG for ECGI Paper on "The experiences of early career geriatricians throughout Europe during the COVID-19 pandemic": this WG was in charge of writing and submitting a research paper. The paper has been published on EGM in October 2021.
5. WG on Videologs (Vlogs): the Group produces video materials concerning EuGMS activities to be shared through EuGMS Social media

In addition, since 2020, we have implemented a special classification for abstract submitted by early-career geriatricians at the EuGMS annual congress. We are proud to inform you we have received a great response to this initiative! and we did not stop there: 3 best ECGI abstracts will receive the **Stefania Maggi Award** and a free registration for the next EuGMS Congress.

We are sure the ECGI will create an inclusive and creative atmosphere to support colleagues at the earlier stages of their career and foster geriatric medicine in Europe.

For more information about the EuGMS – ECGI please visit [Early Careers Geriatricians Initiative - EuGMS](#)