

## Future activities

Proposals and decisions regarding future activities in ESCIF are affected by the fact that there will be a new President elected at the congress in Prague. The Executive wants to leave room for that person to lead the work and the planning of future activities.

### Ambassador program

In January 2018, ESCIF launched the Ambassador program. A priority the coming period will be to focus on the Ambassador program. We aim to evaluate the first stage and together with the members develop and improve the Ambassador program. The idea with the program is to form a closer relationship between ESCIF and its members to improve the internal communication and to learn from one another. This also improves ESCIF efforts to be an organisation "with, for and together" with the members so that ESCIF can act according to the member's needs.

### "With a little help from your friends" - project

ESCIF has had the ambition to start a project that focuses on the learning of and support from the different ESCIF members. Some organisations have existed for a very long time while others have recently been founded. Some organisations have developed in and focused on specific areas and other organisations have developed and focused on other areas. The idea with the project is to pair up different organisations so that we can better learn from each other.

We will start this project during the congress in Prague with a workshop so that we can develop the idea together.

### New website

ESCIF has been working on a new website for a while and during the coming period ESCIF will launch the site.

### Ageing well section on ESCIF's website

The Ageing well working group has almost finished their work. Together with ESCIF, the work is moving forward to launch all the result on ESCIF's website. The Ageing well will have a separate section on the website in a similar way as the Research section has.

## ESCIF 2019 in Gothenburg



For the first time ever the ESCIF congress will be held in a Scandinavian country. The Swedish organisation in collaboration with the SCI centre Gothenburg will be the organisers in collaboration with ESCIF. The congress will be 27-29 May 2019. The theme of the congress is *Empowerment – Knowledge is power.*

The congress website will open in September/October and at the same time we will make a Call for abstracts.

## ISCoS scientific meeting in Sydney

The 57<sup>th</sup> Annual Scientific Meeting of ISCoS will be held in Sydney in October. The Consumer workshop is now part of the section Discipline Meetings during which the different medical professions have separate meetings. Together with other organisations ESCIF has applied for the workshop "Partnering with Regional SCI Consumer Networks".

It is customary that ESCIF doesn't attend the ISCoS congress if the venue is outside Europe. We will therefore not attend the congress but the Vice-President will participate via a video-link and present what ESCIF is and how we would like to collaborate with other regions of the world.