To the Presidents and Liaison Officers of
National EULAR member organisations of People with
Arthritis/Rheumatism (PARE)

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EULAR launches the Edgar Stene Prize competition 2022

Dear colleagues and friends,

The EULAR President, the EULAR PARE Vice-president, the EULAR PARE Committee Chair and the EULAR PARE Editorial Board Leader, are delighted to announce the launch of the EULAR Edgar Stene Prize essay competition 2022 on the topic

“How treating my RMD has influenced my hopes for the future”

We are calling EULAR PARE member organisations to open the competition at national level, to encourage persons living with RMDs (minimum of 18 years of age), to participate and write about their personal experiences on the competition topic, answering the questions:

- What were the biggest challenges and what motivated you along your journey?
- What were your hopes then (in the past) and today?
- Who accompanied you on your journey – family, doctors, and/or friends?
- Taking the opportunity as well to express expectations, hopes and even visions into the future.

See the detailed application guidelines for more information about how to enter, including the full brief and submission requirements.

The competition closes on 20 January 2022. The winners will be selected by the 2022 Edgar Stene Prize Jury, to be announced by 15 March 2022, then awarded at the Opening Plenary session taking place at the EULAR European Congress of Rheumatology, EULAR 2022, 1 June.

The competition has a first prize money of EUR 1,000, including a travel bursary (to attend the Opening Plenary session) and an invitation to the EULAR Congress dinner*. Second and third prizes are awarded with prize money of EUR 700 and EUR 300 respectively.
We thank you in advance for supporting this exciting and important competition, joining us in the aim to reduce the impact of rheumatic and musculoskeletal diseases (RMDs) on the individual and society and to improve the social position and the quality of life of people with rheumatic and musculoskeletal diseases in Europe.

We look forward to receiving your competition entries to complement the commemoration of the EULAR 75th Anniversary at EULAR 2022!

With kindest regards,

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Chair, EULAR PARE Committee

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*Should the EULAR Congress 2022 be still impacted by the pandemic or be held as a virtual event for any other reason, all Congress destination related activities to come with the Stene Prize (travel to the EULAR Congress 2022, accommodation, participation in the on-site Congress and the Opening Plenary Session, EULAR Congress Networking Dinners) will be cancelled. There is no right to receive any of these related activities as monetary refund nor will they be moved to a later point in time. Please note: the Stene Prize money will still be awarded and not be impacted.