INCOMING EULAR PRESIDENT PROF ANNAMARIA IAGNOCCO FOCUSES ON INCLUSION, CUTTING-EDGE EDUCATION, AND THE NEW EULAR STRATEGY

EULAR welcomes Prof Annamaria Iagnocco, Turin, Italy, as the new president of the organisation, succeeding Prof Iain McInnes, Glasgow, UK. Prof Iagnocco will focus on inclusion and diversity and will set the milestones for the future EULAR strategy from 2023.

Prof Annamaria Iagnocco is Head and Professor of Rheumatology at the Academic Rheumatology Centre – Department of Clinical and Biological Sciences, in the University of Turin - Italy.

Prof Iagnocco’s research interests include rheumatoid arthritis, psoriatic arthritis, osteoarthritis, therapy monitoring, and imaging of rheumatic diseases, with a special interest on ultrasonography and assessment of inflammation. She is involved in national and international clinical trials and imaging studies on rheumatic diseases and has authored over 290 peer-reviewed publications. She joined EULAR during her last year of specialisation in Rheumatology, has led many educational courses and task forces, and has been involved as a volunteer for the past 7 years, serving in various committee roles, leading the EULAR School of Rheumatology and serving the EULAR Board of Directors.

In her speech at the Opening Plenary session of the EULAR 2021 Virtual Congress (2 June), Prof Iagnocco addressed to people living with rheumatic and musculoskeletal diseases (RMDs) and rheumatology professionals, announcing the new EULAR membership to open in 2022, also for individuals, as well as the focus on inclusion of participants in various EULAR activities based on diversity with regards to gender, age and geography. Being the driving force behind the EULAR School of Rheumatology in the past, she will further concentrate on cutting edge education. “Regarding research I want to build on the success of my predecessor, Prof Iain McInnes, who will continue to support me as Past President, especially in the further development of the EULAR Research Centre”, Prof Iagnocco comments. “Another important part of my presidency is to further strengthen the international collaboration, especially with our partners from other continents.”

About EULAR
EULAR is the European umbrella organisation representing scientific societies, health professional associations and organisations for people with rheumatic and musculoskeletal diseases (RMDs). EULAR aims to reduce the burden of RMDs on individuals and society and to improve the treatment, prevention and rehabilitation of RMDs. To this end, EULAR fosters excellence in education and research in the field of rheumatology. It promotes the translation of
research advances into daily care and fights for the recognition of the needs of people with RMDs by the EU institutions through advocacy action.

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