

**To the Presidents and  
Secretariats of the national  
EULAR member  
organisations of people with  
arthritis/rheumatism**

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## **EULAR launches EDGAR STENE PRIZE COMPETITION 2012**

Dear friends and colleagues,

We are delighted to inform you about the launch of the Edgar Stene Prize Competition 2012. At the opening ceremony of the forthcoming European Congress of Rheumatology in Berlin, Germany, on 6 June 2012, the Edgar Stene Prize will be awarded for the essay topic

Annual  
European Congress  
of Rheumatology

**London, United Kingdom  
25–28 May 2011**

Berlin, Germany  
6–9 June 2012

Madrid, Spain  
12–15 June 2013

### **“Overcoming the challenges of getting around with a rheumatic or musculoskeletal disease”**

The theme has been chosen in connection with the overarching EULAR topic of “Physical activity and rheumatic and musculoskeletal diseases (RMDs)”. Essayists should tell the reader how they overcome challenges of moving around in their own house, how they get to work, how they participate in social life such as meeting with friends and family or how they go to the cinema or on holidays. We hope for many inspiring examples!

As in the past we would like our national EULAR member organisations to organise national competitions where people with a rheumatic or musculoskeletal disease (minimum 16 years of age) may participate. Competitors should submit an essay not exceeding 2 pages (A4) in their national language to their national EULAR member organisation by 31 December 2011.

Each national jury should submit the best entry (only one entry) by email to the EULAR Secretariat by 22 January 2012. A more detailed outline of the rules is attached to this letter and for your information. A jury will select the 2012 winner, to be announced by 15 March 2012. the jury's decision is incontestable. Information on the jury 2012 will be posted soon on [www.eular.org](http://www.eular.org)

In addition to the prize, € 2 000, EULAR provides the recipient with travel to Berlin and hotel accommodation in Berlin for up to 4 nights as well as an invitation to attend the opening ceremony and the gala dinner at the Congress.

The Edgar Stene Prize Jury 2012 looks forward to receiving many entries from all over Europe!

With kind regards



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