

## **Request for Proposals (RFP) to Host Annual EAHAD Congress 2030**

### **Introduction**

The European Association for Haemophilia and Allied Disorders (EAHAD) is a multidisciplinary association of healthcare professionals who provide care for individuals with haemophilia and other bleeding disorders. Its members include haematologists, internists, paediatricians, nurses, physiotherapists, laboratory scientists and researchers from across Europe.

Since its establishment in 2007, EAHAD has worked to improve the situation of people living with haemophilia and other bleeding disorders.

### **Congress Information**

The EAHAD Annual Congress provides an opportunity to increase the community's knowledge and better understand the most recent scientific advances, while showcasing the latest findings and being a forum of interaction between physicians, nurses, physiotherapists, psychosocial professionals and all other caregivers involved in our field.

The congress has significantly grown since its establishment in 2007 to reach a peak of 2'600+ delegates.

The Annual Congress takes place over 4 days in early February. The pattern over the congress days is as follows:

- Monday: Setup.
- Tuesday: Setup finalisation and Allied Health Professionals Day (AHP Day) with three streams dedicated to nurses, physiotherapists, and psychosocial professionals respectively.
- Wednesday: Reserved for the Multidisciplinary Educational Session, Oral Communications, and the Industry Satellite Symposia.
- Thursday and Friday: Main congress sessions and presentations.

The peak nights for hotel accommodation are Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

### **The EAHAD Annual Congress does not have an Exhibition Area.**

EAHAD have appointed a core PCO (Professional Congress Organiser) that will be closely collaborating with the chosen congress destination, venue, appointed Congress President for the fulfilment of the congress.

## Applicant criteria

The applicant:

- Must be a clinician working actively in the haemophilia and bleeding disorders field.
- Must be an EAHAD member under the Ordinary Category (more information [here](#)).

The applicants can collaborate with the destination's city conference bureau, if they choose to do so, when submitting their application.

The successful applicant is appointed to serve as Congress President.

## Congress Destination and Venue

The Congress Destination is selected based on:

- Where previous congresses have been held (effort to move to different parts of Europe).
- Centralised location of the congress venue in relation to the hotels (walking distance or easy availability of public transportation).
- Ease of access (flight and rail connections).
- Political stability of the host destination country.
- General security level of the host destination country.
- Support by the destination (financial or in-kind).
- Local clinical community.
- Sustainability: EAHAD is committed to reducing the environmental impact of its congresses<sup>1</sup>.
- Available information on local pharma regulations or restrictions imposed to industry participating and supporting the EAHAD Annual Congress.

Once a destination is selected, the venue is selected by the Congress President with the assistance of the core PCO.

Venue requirements:

- Three rooms for the AHP Day, one with 250 seats and two with 100 seats (for Tuesday).
- Plenary room with approx. 2500 seats (from Wednesday to Friday).

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<sup>1</sup> Based on this, please share the sustainability measures already taken at the venue and destination as well as any future projects. Please also provide any reports, if available, showing the positive impact of the implemented measures on the environment

- At least two breakout rooms for satellite symposia (approx. 500 seats each), plus a third room of similar size or other practical solution for symposium rehearsals / set-up. (for Wednesday).
- Spacious area (approx. 3000-4500 m<sup>2</sup>) to accommodate for catering (coffee breaks and lunches are offered to delegates), poster viewing, and delegate networking (from Wednesday to Friday).
- State-of-the-Art AV and IT installations to accommodate for potential hybrid/online component implementation.
- Availability of a speaker preview room.
- Availability of a number of smaller meeting / office rooms for EAHAD, partners, temporary staff, speakers and internal meetings.
- Sufficient hotel rooms/beds in walking distance or with easy access via public transportation for delegate numbers.
- Transport links between airport/train station and venue.

### **Deadline: Proposal/Letter of intent for local host**

Proposals/Letters of intent should be addressed to the EAHAD Executive Committee and sent by email to Angelos Athanasopoulos, Chief Executive Officer at [Angelos.Athan@eahad.org](mailto:Angelos.Athan@eahad.org) with the Subject “Request to Host Annual EAHAD Congress 2030” by **Friday 1 January 2027**.

The letter of intent/proposal should include:

- A brief description of the local host.
- The vision and rationale behind organising an EAHAD Annual Congress.
- Information regarding the Congress Destination and venue criteria mentioned above (location, ease of access, local clinical community, destination support, venue requirements, hotel room capacities, local pharma regulations).
- A comprehensive proposed budget, and, to the extent available at application stage, preliminary information on AV / technical costs and any relevant operational constraints affecting room use or congress operations.
- Any available information on local pharmaceutical regulations or compliance restrictions that may affect industry participation and support of the EAHAD Annual Congress.

All applications will be reviewed from January to May 2026. Final decision rests with the EAHAD Executive Committee and will be taken by end-May 2026. All applicants will be notified at that point.