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## POST FOR AN EC FUNDED PROJECT – INTEREST IN VACCINE PREVENTABLE DISEASES

### Brief description of the European Academy of Paediatrics (EAP)

The European Academy of Paediatrics (EAP / formerly Council of European Specialists in Paediatrics, CESP) was founded in 1961 ([www.eapaediatrics.eu](http://www.eapaediatrics.eu)). Its members include national paediatric societies from over 41 countries across Europe as well as all 14 UEMS recognised European paediatric subspecialty societies and observer countries. EAP represents the paediatric section of the Union of European Medical Specialists ([www.uems.eu](http://www.uems.eu)) that is formally linked with the European Commission and Member States Institutions. As part of the EAP the European Board of Paediatrics (EBP) is responsible for developing European training standards in paediatrics and paediatric subspecialties. The European Academy of Paediatrics coordinates the only European Research in Ambulatory Settings network (EAPRASnet) with over 2000 members in collaboration with the AAP PROS. The EAP Vaccination Strategic Advisory Group follows the major goal to support activities leading to better harmonization of vaccination programs within the European region and to optimal coverage with recommended vaccines.

### General Description of the Role:

The European Academy of Paediatrics (EAP) is looking for one **postdoctoral fellow** (MD with substantial published research experience or PhD) and one **PhD candidate** (MD or Master in medicine or health sciences) for an EU-funded project. This project is focused on improving the Standard of Education and Knowledge on vaccines and Immunisation (SEKI; [www.seki.eu](http://www.seki.eu)). The funded positions are available immediately and will be open for a total duration of 3 years.

The primary role is to scout, curate and review educational content for healthcare professionals, help us create new content as needed, and perform research on the real-world impact of education on the quality of healthcare. Both candidates are expected to experience a steep learning curve while working with us, both in the area of education and vaccinology/immunology and infectious diseases.

In broader sense, they will support us in **applying our experience and knowledge in implementing research activities related to vaccine education**. According to their level of experience, they will be involved in the creation of scientific content, and drafting of reports, publications and other dissemination activities, under the supervision of EU vaccine experts and investigators within the framework of EU-funded projects (SEKI, RIVER-EU and others).

The applicants will facilitate clear and efficient communication between the project experts and stakeholders, particularly those implementing research studies, IT/web content, educational courses and project management working closely with the core team of the SEKI project to ensure feasibility and successful project completion. The post holder will become a member of a vaccine expert / research group with responsibility for carrying out research within a predefined work package.





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These tasks could be performed in the framework of a European PhD programme with standard academic salaries. The candidates must be EU citizens, and they will be expected to relocate to their host institution within the EU. This will be determined after acceptance into the PhD/postdoctoral programme.

## Responsibilities

- Researching and reviewing educational content online and offline, organizing, grading, structuring content and entering it into educational databases.
- Proposing and helping to organize new educational content (under expert supervision) as needed.
- Design and conduct of high-quality research
- Participation in all aspects of project design and execution
- Attend regular (remote and in person) project meetings, prepare meeting minutes, and assist with project coordination, review and implementation (research administration)
- Effectively and accurately communicate relevant project information to supervisors and various project teams
- Track progress and quality of project activities
- Ensure compliance with internal Quality Management System (QMS) requirements
- Write or draft publications, abstracts, posters and other dissemination activities
- Perform data analysis, evaluate research data and interpret the findings under supervision.

## Requirements

- Fluency in English
- Advanced or professional degrees, as above
- Documented experience with protocol design and implementation
- Publication record with publications in high-impact journals (recommended for the PhD candidate, obligatory for the postdoc)
- Excellent time and project management, communication (oral and written) and organizational skills
- Solid MS Office Suite experience – Word, Excel, MS Project, PowerPoint
- Ability to communicate effectively with all stakeholders of the project
- Ability to multi-task and work with multiple team members
- Ability to work independently based on own initiative
- A team-oriented person with a “can do” attitude
- Willingness to travel internationally as needed





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## Desirable qualifications

- Basic or advanced knowledge in epidemiology, vaccinology, immunology and/or infectious diseases/ microbiology
- Experience in qualitative and/or quantitative research and data analysis
- Experience in educational science and impact studies
- Experience working in EU projects and consortia
- IT know-how in Wordpress and/or databases
- Genuine interest in professional societies and advocacy
- Cultural competency
- Experience in working with multi-national teams
- Proficiency in additional EU languages

## Next steps:

If you are interested, please apply at your earliest convenience but no later than **15 September 2023** by uploading a 1–3-page motivational letter and your academic CV as well as certified copies of your degrees [via this link](#). Contact the EAP Secretariat for more information or assistance at [secretariat@eapaediatrics.eu](mailto:secretariat@eapaediatrics.eu).

If you have any questions ahead of time, please email us at the above address

Yours Sincerely,

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