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Stefano Volpi – Motivation letter for the position of ESID treasurer - 2020

I think key roles of our scientific society are to disseminate knowledge on primary immunodeficiencies, to foster the education of young clinicians and investigators during their training, to promote the development of high quality research, to improve the collaborations between European centers and to advocate for patient's need to public health authorities.

To support this view, as a ESID treasurer and in collaboration with the society board, I will promote the allocation of resources for the organization of educational events such as courses and seminars, scholarship for talented researchers and clinicians in training and international exchange programs, with the goal of maintaining the high standards already reached by the society events also during this time of virtual of hybrid meetings imposed by the current pandemic.



Short Bio – Stefano Volpi

I'm a pediatrician with a PhD in genetics, caring for patients with primary immunodeficiencies and supervising basic research projects in the field of immune dysregulation.

Beside my clinical training at Gaslini Children Hospital, in Italy, I took several opportunities abroad to follow my interests in basic immunology, first as an intern in Fabio Grassi's lab at the Institute for Research in Biomedicine in Bellinzona, Switzerland and later as a post doc in Gigi Notarangelo's lab at Harvard University and in Fabio Candotti's lab at Lausanne University Hospital.

During those years I was involved in the characterization and development of in vitro and in vivo models of different novel primary immunodeficiencies and in the training of several PhDs and MDs in the lab and my work was awarded with the "Bright spark in immunology" prize from the European Federation of Immunology Societies.

I moved back to Italy to apply the scientific training acquired to the development of translational research projects and with the aim of recognizing and nurturing young researchers able to straddle the canyon between bench to bedside.