



# **EACS HIV Summer School**

## Eligibility criteria

Eligible candidates must meet the following conditions:

- Be a physician or clinical scientist working in infectious diseases and/or HIV;
- Be eligible for a Schengen visa. It is the responsibility of the trainees to ensure necessary visa, permits and documentation before the course initiation. The trainees must apply for a visa at the relevant Portuguese embassy or consulate in their country of residence:
- Have between 5 and 10 years of experience;
- Have a good level of spoken and written English (Participants are expected to make presentations, the EACS HIV Summer School requires a good working knowledge of English, preferably B2 level or higher (Common European Framework of Reference for Languages – CEFR));
- Be able to explain how the course can benefit your future career.

### Eligibility for the research module:

- Have some, but limited, documented experience of research (either through presentations of abstracts at conferences, participation as part of a study team, co-authorship on papers) or heading to independence (1-2 first-authored publications and/or small grants);
- Have been involved in none or basic training in research methodology only.

#### Eligibility for the clinical module:

- Must have middle-grade (e.g. specialist trainee, fellow) level of experience in managing patients with HIV infection;
- Work in an HIV care unit;
- Have more than 2 years practice in HIV;
- Have routine prescription of ARV drugs;
- Have routine management of HIV viral load;
- Have some, but limited, documented experience of research.

#### Notes:

- 1. Your application and all supporting documents have to be submitted together. It is not complete without the required supporting documents.
- 2. If accepted, the applicant must subscribe to a travel insurance. The EACS will not cover the costs of this insurance.
- 3. Schengen visa: If the candidate is accepted, the EACS agrees to provide a letter of invitation addressed to the embassy. However, the applicant shall take the necessary steps to obtain his/her own visa. All visa matters shall be resolved by the applicant himself/herself. The EACS will not intervene in the visa application process.
- 4. A moderate fee of EUR 300 is asked to cover registration and accommodation (due after confirmation). A limited number of scholarships is available to low-and middle-income countries applicants.
- 5. On confirmation of their acceptance, applicants will be required to become an EACS member
- 6. In no event will the EACS be liable for any direct, indirect, special, incidental, consequential, exemplary or punitive damages, losses or causes of action arising from the applicant's actions.