

# LYMEC Freedom Fund

Dear members, we are very happy to continue to use the LYMEC Freedom Fund, making it possible for even more member organisations to be present at our congresses!

The Freedom Fund will provide financially strained member organisations with a travel reimbursement for participation in LYMEC congresses. The aim is to increase the democratic aspect of the congress by enabling more member organisations to exercise their voting rights and take part in the highest decision-making body of the organisation.

The criteria for applying for a grant from the Freedom Fund:

- 1) Receiving a grant from the fund is the only way that the delegation can be present at the congress (thus, the fund can't be used to cover a second, third etc. member of a delegation).
- 2) Priority is given to Member Organisations, which have not been present at the last congress to ensure diversity
- 3) The applicant should shortly outline the financial situation of the MO or in case of IMS delegate, his/her situation
- 4) The applicant should give an estimate of the price of the travel cost to be covered by the fund

The applications will be assessed by the Bureau, who will inform all applicants of their decision after the deadline. The receivers of the grant will also be published. The Bureau reserves the possibility to limit the maximum sum to be reimbursed in order to enabling as many organisations as possible to benefit from the grant.

