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With 2021 coming to an end, the ERNICA coordination team would like to thank you all for your collaboration, enthusiasm and support this year. The 2021 annual meeting in Lille was a great opportunity to reflect on the work done this year and we look forward to putting ideas generated from Lille into practice.

**We are delighted to announce that we will be welcoming new members to the ERNICA network from 1st January 2022.**

The ERN Board of Member States recently approved 620 applicants across the ERNs, and membership will begin from 1 January 2022. Via these links you can see lists of the new members sorted both [by ERN](#) and [by Member State](#).

ERNICA will welcome 21 new member hospitals, across an additional three member states. Three affiliated partner hospitals from Spain will become full members.

This means that from 1 January 2022, ERNICA will have:

- ◇ 40 member hospitals across 12 EU/EEA countries
- ◇ 13 affiliated partner hospitals from an additional 9 countries
- ◇ **In total: 53 hospitals from 21 EU/EEA countries**



**The ERNICA coordination term will support the onboarding process for new members in early 2022. This includes facilitating their involvement in disease-specific working groups.**



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## SAVE THE DATE!

6th ERNICA annual meeting in Helsinki, 2022

**20-22 April 2022**

**More information to follow.**

### **The Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia International Symposium 2022** is taking place in **Glasgow, UK on 27-29 April 2022.**

Building on the success of previous Symposia, CDH 2022 is an opportunity to hear the latest basic science and clinical research in congenital diaphragmatic hernia care.

CDH 2022 is for all international researchers, clinicians, patient and family organisations and colleagues who are passionate about CDH research and clinical care.

For more information on the programme, registration and abstract submission visit the symposium website: [www.cdh2022.com](http://www.cdh2022.com)



The European Joint Programme on Rare Diseases has officially launched the **Joint Transnational Call 2022**, a funding opportunity for **research projects on the development of new analytic tools and pathways** to accelerate diagnosis and facilitate diagnostic monitoring of rare diseases.

The aim of the funding opportunity is to **enable scientists in different countries to build an effective collaboration on a common interdisciplinary research project** based on complementarities and sharing of expertise, with expected impact to use the results in the future for the benefit of patients.

**Topic:** Development of new analytic tools and pathways to accelerate diagnosis and facilitate diagnostic monitoring of rare diseases

**More information:** [www.ejprarediseases.org/jtc2022/](http://www.ejprarediseases.org/jtc2022/)



**Lastly, we would like to wish you all a relaxing holiday period and a happy and healthy 2022!**