



European Association for Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics

Dear Presidents and Council members of the National Societies of Pharmacology,
Dear EACPT members,
Dear sponsors,

We regretfully inform you that, together with the local organizing committee, we have made the decision to postpone the EACPT Biennial Congress in Athens to June 2022.

Travelling from European or non-European countries to Greece this coming June is still very uncertain, and the financial risks of cancelling the meeting at the last minute are too high for our association.

We have made the choice not to transform the Athens congress into an all-digital event because we really want this meeting to take place in Greece. Therefore we hope to see as many of you as possible for a vibrant, face-to-face meeting in Athens next year with provisional dates of 26-28 June 2022.

Meanwhile, we propose to have a shorter **virtual** EACPT “Focus” meeting at the dates initially planned for the Athens Congress, limited to ‘hot topics’ and a few other sessions (including EACPT council meeting). This will take place on Monday 28th and Tuesday 29th June 2021 – so please hold those dates in your diary. Further information re registration and programme content will follow shortly.

We will give the choice to the members who submitted abstracts to the Athens meeting to either present them virtually this year, or save them for next year. They will receive a message in due course with a request to let us know their preference.

Similarly, we propose to our sponsors to either postpone their support to next year, or preferably support both the focus meeting this year and the biennial congress in 2022. A proposal will be sent to each sponsor in this respect.

We really count on the support of all national societies and EACPT members in these difficult times to make both our Focus meeting this year, and the biennial congress in Athens next year, a great successes.

Yours faithfully,

Professor Jamie Coleman
Chairperson EACPT

On behalf of the executive committee EACPT and Local Organising Committee, Athens Congress.