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Regarding: Participant invitation for hands-on course on Morphology of Univentricular Heart Disease – Priority registration for ERN partners with a deadline of 31 January 2024

Esteemed Colleague,

With great pleasure we announce the first part of a summer school in Congenital Heart Disease, sponsored by the European Reference networks (ERN). The course, entitled “**Hands-on Course on Morphology of Univentricular Heart Disease from fetal development to postnatal interventions and long-term follow up**”, is organised by the Center of Congenital Heart Disease Amsterdam-Leiden (CAHAL) together with the working group Cardiovascular Morphology of the Association for European Paediatric and Congenital Cardiology.

The event will occur on **25-26 April 2024** in The Hortus Botanicus of the Leiden University in the beautiful historic city of Leiden, The Netherlands. During the course, attendees will be offered dedicated teaching with hands-on modules from the basics of cardiac morphology to complex congenital heart disease, with special emphasis on univentricular heart disease. The extensive Leiden University Collection of post-mortem specimens with congenital heart disease provides the unique possibility to study cardiac malformations via *plenary sessions* and *hands-on workshop sessions*.

A panel of fetal cardiologists, cardiac surgeons, pediatric cardiologists, ACHD cardiologists, morphologists, embryologists and geneticists will introduce the different aspects in the plenary sessions after which participants will have the opportunity to study the malformation in post-mortem heart-lung specimen.

To guarantee an optimal attendee-to-tutor ratio the number of participants will be limited. For young professionals/fellows the course fee will be at reduced rate, provided that an abstract in the form of case presentation will be submitted. In addition, a subset of fellows sending in abstracts will be eligible for a travel grant.

We would like to invite you to share this information with your members and we encourage all interested in participating in this unique course to register in a timely fashion. The program can be found on our website. Seats are limited and registrations will be handled on a first come first serve basis via the [registration website here](#). To ensure you as our valued ERN partner will have priority, **we offer you priority registration with a deadline of 31 January 2024** after which registration will open up to other interested individuals as well.

Looking forward to your attendance,

With kind regards,

The organizing faculty
