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30TH EDITION OF THE SOCIETAL IMPACT OF PAIN (SIP) NEWSLETTER

Dear Reader,

As the summer draws to an end, I hope you and your families are well. We are still living in uncertain times as regards COVID-19 as it continues to affect our personal and professional lives.

Despite this tumultuous and uncertain 2020, SIP has made important changes in the last few months. As many of you know, the European Pain Federation EFIC and Pain Alliance Europe has taken the lead on the strategic planning of the European SIP activities. After long time, SIP has now entered in a new age within my [new mandate as EFIC President](#). I wish to congratulate as well as thank Professor Bart Morlion for his excellent work over the last three years.

In the first week of September we welcomed the new Project Manager, Jamie Wilkinson. Now that the [team](#) is fully on board we will continue working to find new opportunities to change pain policy for the benefit of the patients.

On 23rd of July 2020 the European Parliament issued the study "[Strengthening Europe in the Fight Against Cancer: Going Further, Faster](#)" which provides an overview of the current state of play in Europe in respect to the fight against cancer. Over the past few months, the European Pain Federation has made several contributions on the importance of multi-professional pain management, and are delighted to see this highlighted in the study. We hope that EU policy makers take note of this important document and ensure that multi-professional pain management is included in the quality of life aspects of [Europe's new Beating Cancer Plan](#). Within this framework, the Societal Impact of Pain, has finally published a [position paper on Cancer - related pain](#).

SIP is continuing its activities at a national level, as for example the [SIP National Portugal](#). We are looking forward to next [SIP National call](#) scheduled for 25th of September 2020.

SIP has been active submitting abstracts for pain meetings. In October it will attend EUPHA 2020 (12-16 October) and present the abstract "[Societal Impact of Pain thematic network – from European recommendations](#)" as a platform presentation.

In addition the [SIP – European Road Map Monitor 2019 poster](#) is currently available at the IASP Online World Congress of Pain platform.

On June 24th 2020 Pain Alliance Europe announced the winners of 2nd edition of the [Brain, Mind and Pain Grant](#). We are currently publishing all the winners projects on our [website](#). Pain Alliance Europe also presented its own poster “[Chronic Pain and Stigma across Europe](#)” at the WIP Congress.

We encourage you to keep up to date with SIP’s activities using our [calendar](#).

I am looking forward the next three years as President of EFIC working with and behalf of SIP.

Kind regards,

Brona Fullen

President of the European Pain Federation (EFIC)



[SIP publishes its Cancer Position Paper](#)

SIP position on the importance of addressing cancer related pain management in the Europe’s Beating Cancer Plan and beyond.



[SIP National Call 25 September 2020](#)

The next SIP National Platform call will take place on 25th September at 15.30 CEST (Brussels time).



[SIP National Portugal: webinar to celebrate the national day against pain](#)

Save the date! The webinar will be on the 15th October!



[The European Pain Federation welcomes Brona Fullen as the new President](#)

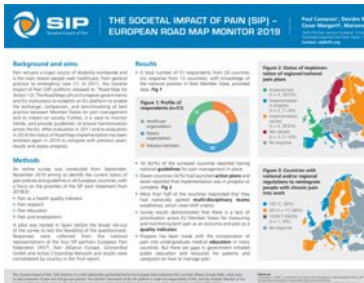
After three successful years under the guidance of Bart Morlion, the European Pain Federation has named Brona Fullen as the new President.





Pain Alliance Europe: Managing Pain Campaign

PAE supported the 2020 Managing Pain campaign. Learn why chronic pain patients' voice are so important.



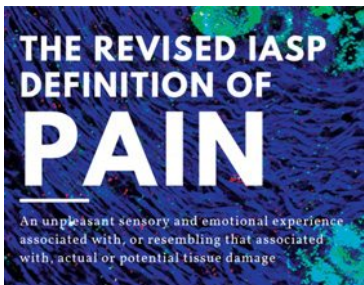
European SIP Road Map Monitor 2019 poster selected for presentation in the IASP Virtual Poster Gallery

The Societal Impact of Pain (SIP) - European Road Map Monitor 2019 poster is available at the IASP Virtual Poster Gallery at the IASP Virtual Series on Pain & Expo.



Pain Alliance Europe presented its poster on "Chronic pain and stigma across Europe" at the WIP Congress

Pain Alliance Europe presented the poster "Chronic pain and stigma across Europe" to the World Insitute of Pain (WIP) 10th World Congress.



IASP revised definition of pain

The International Association for the Study of Pain (IASP) has revised the definition of pain for the first time since 1979.



Publication of the Landmark study "Strengthening Europe in the fight against cancer: Going further, faster"

Over the past months, the European Pain Federation has made several contributions on cancer pain management to a new study produced by the European Cancer Organisation commissioned by the European Parliament.



Meet the Societal Impact of Pain Team

Discover the new team! The Societal Impact of Pain - SIP has entered a new age with the management of the project falling to the European Pain Federation EFIC and Pain Alliance Europe.



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