Association of Coloproctology of Great Britain and Ireland Two Travelling Fellowships for Coloproctologists from Eastern Europe

The Association of Coloproctology of Great Britain and Ireland (ACPGBI) has established fellowships of £3,500 each, to enable two doctors currently practising in Eastern Europe to visit 2-3 colorectal centres in the United Kingdom and Ireland over a two week period, and attend the 2015 DDF Meeting (Digestive Disorders Meeting – www.ddf2015.org.uk) from 22nd – 25th June 2015 at ExCeL London. Colorectal centres can be visited either before or after the DDF Meeting, by arrangement. The purpose of the fellowships is to contribute to the development of integration and collaboration between Eastern and Western European coloproctology.

Applications will be accepted from junior consultants or senior trainees, and should include a covering letter, a detailed CV with publications and experience, and written support from their Institute Director, to be sent by email to Miss Anne O'Mara at the ACPGBI secretariat.

A sound command of English is essential.

An original signed letter of invitation will be sent to the successful applicants for visa purposes.

In order to offset expenses incurred prior to arriving in the UK, a proportion of the award will be used for advance payment arrangements made by the ACPGBI secretariat on behalf of the successful applicants to meet hotel expenses and economy airfares.

Associated expenses incurred by the ACPGBI will be taken directly out of the £3,500 award.

Other incidental expenses (e.g. subsistence, hotels, train and taxi fares) will be reimbursed on presentation of an ACPGBI expenses claim form to the secretariat, not to exceed the total value of the award (£3,500).

Expenses incurred by accompanying guests or dependants will be paid for by the applicants themselves.

The selection committee will include members of the ACPGBI Executive and a representative from the European Society of Coloproctology (ESCP).

The successful applicants will be expected to provide a written report of their visit, as feedback will be important to refine optimal training opportunities in future years.

Closing date for applications 16th March 2015

Applications must be emailed to admin@acpgbi.org.uk