



34th Annual Meeting of the European Charcot Foundation
Specific Terms & Conditions

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ANNUAL MEETING

- These Specific Terms & Conditions govern the 34th Annual Meeting of the European Charcot Foundation.
- The Annual Meeting of the European Charcot Foundation takes place from 12 until 14 November, 2026 in the Grand Hotel Dino, Corso Giuseppe Garibaldi 20, 28831 Baveno VB, Italy.
- Any person registering for or participating in the 34th Annual Meeting of the European Charcot Foundation or any (legal) person paying for such registration or participation is hereinafter referred to as a “participant” or “delegate”.

ANNUAL MEETING REGISTRATION

The Annual Meeting will take place in a hybrid format. You may register for onsite participation in Baveno, while a virtual option is available for those who are unable to attend in person.

The registration for the face-to-face meeting includes:

- Access to the 34th Annual Meeting sessions and all the Satellite Symposia
- Access to the poster area
- All lunches & coffee breaks on Thursday, Friday and Saturday (in case of onsite participation in Baveno)
- A 12 month subscription to the MS Knowledge Hub, ECF’s eLearning platform, including access to the digital archive of the lectures (if accepted by the speaker).
- The lunches and coffee breaks represent a value of €43 excl VAT and €10.5 excl VAT, respectively.
- Pre-registration to the Scientific Networking Cocktail (not included) is mandatory (can be done when registering).
- EACCME accreditation.
- All fees are in euro, including applicable VAT.
- The number of places available for the 34th Annual Meeting and the number of hotel rooms are limited. Registration is accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis.
- To collect the badge and meeting materials, the **registration voucher** and a **passport/ID** of the delegate must be presented. For **group badge pick-ups**, the designated person must provide their **passport/ID** and a **contact phone number** to ensure they can be reached if any questions arise after collection (applicable for onsite participation in Baveno).
- Young investigators born in 1991 or after can be asked to show a copy of their identity card or passport when picking up their badge at the Registration & Hospitality Desk.





The registration to the digital meeting includes:

- Exclusive access to the Scientific Programme of the 34th Annual Meeting, digital edition
- Exclusive access to the Satellite Symposia of the 34th Annual Meeting, digital edition
- EACCME accreditation
- A 12-month subscription to MS Knowledge Hub

REQUIRED INFORMATION FROM EACH DELEGATE WHEN REGISTERING

- To gain information on how we process your personal data, we refer to the Privacy Notice.

REGISTRATION FEES

Attendee category	EARLY BIRD FEE until 30/09/2026	REGULAR FEE from 1/10/2026 until 11/11/2026	ONSITE FEE as from 12/11/2026
Meeting delegate			
Digital edition	250,00	350,00	375,00
Live edition	670,00	770,00	870,00
Young Investigator with Poster			
Live edition	FREE*	FREE*	250,00*
Young Investigator without Poster			
Digital edition	125,00	175,00	200,00
Live edition	420,00	470,00	520,00
ECF fellow with poster			
Live edition	FREE*	FREE*	250,00*
ECF fellow without poster			
Digital edition	125,00	175,00	200,00
Live edition	320,00	370,00	420,00
Optional: Scientific Networking cocktail	40,00	40,00	40,00

All fees are in euro, including applicable VAT

*Young Investigators are born in 1991 or later.





INDIVIDUAL REGISTRATION

- Individual Annual Meeting Registrations should be made online and are only payable by credit card.
- The registration cannot be shared by two or more participants. As such, only the participant whose name appears in the registration file may pick up the badge on site and no substitutions will be allowed once the badge has been picked up.
- The registration is only valid after (1) the full payment for the registration has been received or (2) acceptance of the applicable exemption for paying the fee.

Exemption from paying the registration fee for Young Investigators (= free registration)

- Young Investigators (Delegates born in 1991 or after) are exempt from paying the registration fee on the following conditions:
 - They are accepted to present a poster.
 - They are physically present during the live edition of the 34th Annual Meeting of The European Charcot Foundation.
 - They register before **Saturday, October 31st, 2026**.
- In the event the poster abstract has been rejected, Young Investigators can decide to either cancel their registration free of charge or confirm the registration by paying the applicable Early Bird registration fee for young investigators.
- As from **November 12th, 2026**, an on-site registration fee of € 250 is applicable.
- Young Investigators willing to benefit from this free registration should explicitly mention they will be physically present during the live edition of the 34th Annual Meeting when uploading their abstract to the ECF Secretariat.

Exemption from paying the registration fee for ECF fellows (= free registration)

- ECF Fellows are exempt from paying the registration fee on the following conditions:
 - They are either:
 - winners of The Young Investigator awards of ECF in 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025
 - participants of the ECF fellowship programmes
 - winners of the CTRIMS -ECF YI awards 2025 that took place after the Annual Meeting 2026 or CTRIMS-ECF YI awards 2025
 - They are accepted to present a poster





- Are physically present during the live edition of the 34th Annual Meeting of The European Charcot Foundation.
- They register before **Saturday, October 31st, 2026**
- In the event the poster abstract has been rejected, ECF fellows can decide to either cancel their registration free of charge or confirm the registration by paying the applicable Early Bird registration fee for ECF Fellows.
- ECF Fellows willing to benefit from this free registration should explicitly mention they will be physically present during the live edition of the 34th Annual Meeting when uploading their abstract to the ECF Secretariat.

GROUP REGISTRATION

- If you are making a registration for more than one person, you can make use of the option to make a group registration.
- Group registrations should be made online and are available until **Saturday, October 31st, 2026**.
- One invoice will be created for the entire group.
- Invoices are payable by credit card. An exception to pay by wire transfer can be requested.
- The group registration is only valid after the full payment for the group registration has been received.
- The Early Bird Fee will only apply to participants whose registration is received by the Operational and Administrative Secretariat by **September 30th, 2026**. After this date, the participants will be charged at the Regular Fee.
- The Regular Fee will only apply to participants whose registration is received by the ECF Secretariat before **November 12th, 2026**. As from **November 12th, 2026**, the participants will be charged at the onsite fee

HOTEL RESERVATIONS (face-to-face meeting)

Hotel address:

Grand Hotel Dino

Corso Giuseppe Garibaldi, 20, 28831 Baveno VB, Italië

Phone: +39 0323 922201





Room type (rounding differences may occur when registering)	Room rates per night for bookings until the room block is filled
Double room for single use	€ 209,00
Double room for twin or double use	€ 229,00
Double room for single use – lake view	€ 240,00
Double room for twin or double use – lake view	€ 270,00

****Rooms in the Grand Hotel Dino can only be guaranteed until the 30th of September.**

- All rates indicated are for one standard room for one night, including
 - breakfast
 - the local tourist tax of € 2 per person per night
 - a booking fee of € 10 per night
 - applicable VAT
- For upgrades and special requests, please contact the ECF Secretariat via secretariat@charcot-ms.org.
- Rooms will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis and the number of rooms is limited.
- The ECF Secretariat cannot give a guarantee on the type of room that will be assigned, unless you have specifically asked for a room with lake view. To avoid disappointment, it is strongly recommended to book your hotel early.

INDIVIDUAL HOTEL RESERVATIONS

- Each hotel reservation has to be linked to a registration for the 34th Annual Meeting. If hotel reservations are made without a registration for the 34th Annual Meeting, the ECF Secretariat has the right to cancel the hotel reservation.
- Individual reservations have to be made online via the Annual Meeting website.
- Payment is only possible by credit card.
- The reservation is only valid after the full payment has been received.

GROUP HOTEL RESERVATIONS

- Group reservations have to be made online by the group responsible via the Annual Meeting website.
- One invoice will be created for the entire group.
- Payment is possible by card. An exception to pay by wire transfer can be requested.





- Each hotel reservation has to be linked to a registration for the 34th Annual Meeting, except for the group responsible. If hotel reservations are made without a registration for the 34th Annual Meeting, the ECF Secretariat has the right to cancel the hotel reservation.
- The reservation is only valid after the full payment has been received.

POSTER PRESENTATIONS

- To be eligible for a poster presentation, submission of the abstracts via the available link on the Annual Meeting website, should be done by **Wednesday, September 30th, 2026**.
- All submitted abstracts will be screened and considered for poster presentation by the Scientific Committee of the European Charcot by **Friday, October 16th, 2026**. A notification email regarding the acceptance or rejection of the abstracts will be sent to the submitting authors.
- The submission criteria regarding the abstract and poster, as explained on the Annual Meeting website, must be respected to qualify for a poster presentation.
- Accepted abstracts/ posters may be published on the European Charcot Foundation website without further requirements for permission or compensation.
- Posters will be displayed onsite at the poster booth.
- Poster categories and presentation times will be announced to the authors and will be displayed on the website.

YOUNG INVESTIGATOR AWARDS FOR BEST POSTER PRESENTATION

- Delegates of 35 years or younger (born in 1991 or after) who present a poster automatically participate in the Young Investigator Awards.
- Delegates born before 1991 who present a poster are not eligible to participate in the Young Investigator Awards.
- In order to be eligible for the Young Investigator Awards, the Young Investigator should be physically present at the poster viewing sessions during the 34th Annual Meeting.
- The applicable procedure for the Young Investigator Awards can be found on the European Charcot Foundation website.





TRAVEL GRANTS FOR YOUNG INVESTIGATORS (face-to-face meeting)

- The European Charcot Foundation offers a maximum of 30 Travel Grants to Young Investigators.
 - 20 travel grants for YI with poster
 - 10 travel grants for ECF fellows with poster
- Only Young Investigators that participate in the Young Investigator Awards are eligible for these Travel Grants. These Travel Grants may cover travel expenses up to € 500 (flight, train, taxi).
- The possibility to apply for a Travel Grant is presented when registering as a Young Investigator with poster. To apply for a Travel Grant, the applicant should tick the corresponding box and upload a short summary (1/2 page), a motivation and a copy of the passport or ID. Applications will only be considered when complete.

CANCELLATION POLICY

After receipt of the email confirmation of the individual or group registrations and/or hotel reservation, **100% cancellation costs apply (no refunds).**

Cancellations have to be made in writing to the ECF Secretariat via secretariat@charcot-ms.org.

A cancelled individual or group registration or a cancelled hotel reservation, can be taken over by another participant (= name change) until **Saturday, October 31st 2026**. After this date, a name change fee of € 100 excluding VAT is applicable.

Special cases:

- In the event an abstract has been rejected, Young Investigators born after 1991 can decide to either cancel their registration free of charge and get refunded or confirm their registration by paying the registration fee as mentioned on the invoice. However, booked hotel rooms cannot be refunded.
- For Investigators born before 1991 the standard cancellation policy applies.

NAME CHANGES

- Name changes (for individual and group registrations and hotel reservations) are accepted until **Saturday, October 31st 2026**. After this date a name change fee of € 100 excluding VAT is applicable.





- Name changes are possible via the “modify registration”-button. The registration main email and reference number are required.

Requests for changes after **Saturday, October 31st 2026** have to be made in writing to the ECF Secretariat via secretariat@charcot-ms.org.

PHOTOS AND VIDEO

- Delegates agree that the European Charcot Foundation may use any photos taken in conjunction with the Annual Meeting in an unlimited manner for promotional purposes of the European Charcot Foundation and its activities on the European Charcot Foundation website and in European Charcot Foundation Publications without any compensation to the delegate.
- Delegates agree that the European Charcot Foundation may use any video recordings taken in conjunction with the Annual Meeting in an unlimited manner for scientific educational purposes of the European Charcot Foundation and its activities on the European Charcot Foundation website and in European Charcot Foundation Digital Material without any compensation to the delegate.

PERMISSION TO CONTACT

- Delegates will be contacted by the ECF secretariat with regards to their registration to the 34th Annual Meeting (registration and hotel confirmation, programme updates, certificate of attendance, ...) via the main email provided with their registration.
- The ECF secretariat will not contact group delegates individually unless their email address has been provided as main email.
- The delegate’s name (first and last name), function, organization and country will be made visible on the Annual Meeting badge.
- When registering to the 34th Annual Meeting of the European Charcot Foundation, participants can agree (opt-in):
 - to receive email communications from the European Charcot Foundation to be informed about its future Annual Meetings and other activities.





- that their contact information may be shared with the partners or supporting organizations for the purpose of providing information regarding MS products or services or sending invitations for special events or Satellite Symposia.
- The ECF secretariat (secretariat@charcot-ms.org) can be contacted when delegates wish to consult, modify or delete registered information.
- We refer to our Privacy Notice for more details on how we process your information.

PAYMENT POLICY

- Registrations are only valid once full payment is received by the ECF Secretariat. Priority to activities with limited capacity will be given to those who have paid in full.
- All invoices issued must be paid before the Annual Meeting. All amounts are in euro. Payments can be made by credit card through a secured page on the Annual Meeting website or by bank transfer (by exception).
- Invoices that will be paid via wire transfer are payable within 14 days from the invoice date or before the start of the Annual Meeting. The invoice number and registration/booking reference number should be mentioned as payment reference.
- Outstanding amounts will be collected at the on-site rate.
- When registering at the Registration and Hospitality Desk, please bring a copy of your proof of payment in the event your registration fees were not credited to the Meeting account. A credit card and signature may be required as guarantee of payment.
- All charges for payment transactions are the responsibility of the participant and should be paid at source in addition to the registration fees.
- Invoices are only sent by email.
- Special requests for the processing of the invoice should kindly be submitted in writing to the ECF Secretariat. For the reissuing of invoices, €100,00 (excluding VAT) will be charged.



ONLINE PAYMENTS

Online payments are accepted by: Credit Card: American Express, Dankort, Diners, Discover, Visa, Visa Electron, MasterCard.

PAYMENT BY BANK TRANSFER (only accepted for group bookings)

- Invoices paid via wire transfer are payable within 14 days from the invoice date or before the start of the Annual Meeting.
- Bank transfer must be in euros and made out to:
Beneficiary: EUROPEAN CHARCOT FOUNDATION
Bank name: BANK J. VAN BREDA AND CO NV
Bank address: MECHELSESTEENWEG 147, 3020 HERENT, BELGIUM
BIC/Swift: JVBA BE 22
IBAN: BE05 6451 0315 3875
Bank account number: 6451 0315 3875
Bank account owner: European Charcot Foundation
VAT number: BE 0547.995.164
Payment reference:
 - Invoice number
 - Registration/booking reference number

PERFORMANCE AND LIABILITY

- Except to the extent that it concerns the consequences of (i) wrongful acts or omissions affecting the life or physical integrity of a person or (ii) intentional error or fraud on the part of ECF and/or its auxiliary persons (being any person entrusted by ECF with the full or partial performance of a contractual obligation of ECF, and this throughout the entire contractual chain, such as subcontractors, employees, directors, etc.), the following paragraphs of this title will apply to the relation between ECF and the participant.



- All obligations of ECF are obligations of means. ECF shall only be liable for damages due to non-compliance with its contractual obligations, if and to the extent that such damages were caused by fraud, deceit, gross negligence or wilful misconduct.
- The participant acknowledges that he/she has no right to lodge damage claims against the organizers should the holding of the Annual Meeting be hindered or prevented by unexpected political or economic events or generally by force majeure, or should the non-appearance of speakers or other reasons necessitate programme changes. Force majeure is understood to mean that ECF's obligations shall be legally suspended, in whole or in part, if it is (temporarily) unable to perform its obligations in whole or in part, or if it can only perform its obligations in a significantly more onerous manner, due to events beyond its reasonable control at the time of occurrence, irrespective of whether or not they were foreseeable and irrespective of whether they occur at ECF or its contractors or suppliers. Such events, which shall be recognised by the participant as force majeure on the part of ECF, shall include at least, but not be limited to, production or supply problems, failure of electricity, internet, computer network or telecommunication facilities, war, terror, riot, strike, lockout, blockade, boycott, theft, machinery breakdown, lack of raw materials or means of transport, delays or errors by suppliers or (sub)contractors, import or export restrictions or other measures by any government, fire, exceptional/bad weather conditions, flood, drought, diseases, infections, bankruptcy or insolvency, etc. If the situation giving rise to the suspension lasts until a time when ECF can no longer reasonably meet certain deadlines, or generally lasts longer than 6 weeks, ECF may claim to be fully or partially discharged from its obligations and this without the participant being entitled to claim damages or the right to terminate the entire agreement.
- Should technical reasons beyond the reasonable control of the organisers make any changes necessary, the organizers cannot be held responsible.
- The participant will not be able to take a unilateral decision to terminate, suspend or adjust the agreement with ECF in whole or in part, regardless of the basis thereof (such as change in circumstances, dissolution, price reduction, replacement by a third party, annulment, etc.). Any claim by the participant must be the subject of either an agreement by ECF or a court ruling.
- ECF and/or its auxiliary persons cannot be held extra-contractually liable for wrongful acts or omissions which (in whole or in part) also constitute a breach of the agreement with the participant. This limitation shall apply to the fullest extent permitted by law.
- ECF shall never be liable for indirect damages, including, but not limited to, consequential damages, lost turnover or profits, missed savings, production limitations or production stoppages, administrative or





personnel costs, increased general costs, loss of customer business, damage to goods of the participant or third parties, or third party claims.

- ECF's total liability, regardless of the basis (contractual, non-contractual, faultless, etc.) for any damage and all related causes or consequences is in any case limited to the invoiced amount for the relevant goods or services supplied by ECF, with a maximum of 50.000,00 EUR. However, if damage is covered by insurance, ECF's liability can be higher but shall be limited to the amount effectively paid out by its insurer.
- Without prejudice to the foregoing, any claim of the participant against ECF shall expire by operation of law if the claim has not been brought before the competent court within a period of six months from the date on which the participant took notice, or should have taken notice, of the facts on which the claim is based, without this being later than twelve months after delivery of the relevant services or goods.
- Given the professional nature of the activities of ECF and the participant within which the agreement is concluded, it is assumed that the participant is in principle not a consumer. If the participant were nevertheless in whole or in part a consumer within the framework of this agreement, then by operation of law (the relevant part of) this agreement will be moderated or even adapted to the mandatory legal rules which may be applicable. In such case, the participant will e.g. have the right to revoke the agreement within 14 days without giving any reason (The revocation period expires 14 days after the day of conclusion of the agreement. To exercise the right of revocation, the participant must inform ECF (European Charcot Foundation, Wetstraat 42, 1040 Brussels, Belgium, +32 472 46 37 52, secretariat@charcot-ms.org) of his decision to revoke the agreement by means of an unequivocal statement (e.g. in writing by post or e-mail). The participant may use the legal model revocation form available at <https://economie.fgov.be/sites/default/files/Files/Forms/Formulier-herroeping.pdf> for this purpose, but is not obliged to do so. To comply with the revocation period, it is sufficient to send the communication concerning the exercise of the right to revoke before the revocation period has expired. If the participant revokes the agreement, he will receive from ECF all payments he has made up to that point, including delivery costs (with the exception of any additional costs resulting from his choice of a different method of delivery than the cheapest standard delivery offered by ECF) without delay and in any event no later than 14 days after ECF has been informed of the decision to revoke the agreement. ECF will make this refund using the same means of payment as the original transaction, unless the participant has expressly agreed otherwise; in any event, the participant will not be charged any fees for such refund. If the participant has requested that the performance of services begin during the revocation period, he will pay an amount that is proportional to what has already been delivered at the time he has informed ECF that he is revoking the agreement, compared to the full performance of the agreement).





VALIDITY and general provisions

- The application of any (specific, general, purchasing or other) conditions of the participant is expressly excluded, unless expressly agreed otherwise in writing.
- Non-application by ECF of any part of these terms and conditions shall never constitute a waiver of other parts.
- If one or more provisions of these Specific Terms & Conditions is found to be invalid, illegal or unenforceable (in whole or in part), the remainder of the provision and of these Specific Terms & Conditions shall not be affected and shall continue in full force and effect as if the invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision(s) had never existed. In such case, the participant and ECF undertake to negotiate in good faith with a view to promptly replacing such invalid, illegal or unenforceable provision with a provision that approximates the purport of the original provision as closely as possible.
- The contractual relation between ECF and the participant, and any disputes arising out of or in connection with it, shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the substantive laws of Belgium without regard to its conflict of laws rules and to the exclusion the United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods. If any such dispute arises, the Dutch-speaking courts of Brussels will have exclusive jurisdiction.

