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To: Presidents of the National Member Societies
National Delegates

Cc: Secretaries General
Offices National Societies

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EFORT Visiting Fellowships 2010

Dear Presidents, Dear National Delegates,

As you know, EFORT offers visiting fellowships for young colleagues of our national member societies. The programme provides young orthopaedic colleagues a possibility to choose a clinic, department or institution of their own choice where they spend a 2 - 4 weeks training abroad.

NOMINATION

The nominated Fellows have the possibility to choose an orthopaedic host institution for a maximum stay of four weeks. Each of these fellowships is sponsored by EFORT with € 1.000 to cover partly travelling, housing and feeding expenses.

The selection of these Fellows should be done by the national society, nominating the candidate to EFORT together with his choice of the host institution and a proposed programme for the visit. EFORT will help with the organisation of the general agreement between the host institution and the fellow. All details should be organised directly.

GUIDELINES

Enclosed to this letter please find the "**Aims and Rules of the EFORT Visiting Fellowships**" for your information.

APPLICATIONS

Should you want to nominate a candidate for the visiting fellowships, please contact us at the EFORT Central Office and supply us with your candidate's name, address and her/his curriculum vitae as well as all his contact data. You can send all this information to Ms. Corinne Füglistner, corinne.fueglistner@efort.org and she will take care of your candidate.

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REPORT OF THE VISITING FELLOWSHIPS

We are keen to inform our community of the experiences of your young colleagues through our EFORT portal or newsletter or e-newsletter. Therefore we request a report of each visiting fellowship from the respective fellow and ought to receive it **within one month** after the return.

FINANCIAL RESTRICTIONS

Since we have restricted budget resources, I would like to remind you that we are only able to grant some of the applications. We follow the democratic principle of "first come first serve". I appreciate your understanding in that matter.

Please do not hesitate to contact me or the Central Office with any questions you might have at any time.

I am looking forward to collaborating with you and remain with my best personal regards,

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Enclosures: Aims and Rules of the EFORT Visiting Fellowships

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