

JOINING SIOPE ...

A step closer to a brighter future for children and adolescents with cancer

1. Be part of a Europe-wide network

Our members are the reason and motivation behind all SIOPE's activities, in a common endeavour to create a brighter future for all children with cancer.

We are very pleased to inform you that many paediatric oncology professionals joined our Society this year, and today we can already count more than **1,735 SIOPE members, representing 35 European countries**. It is thanks to your essential support if SIOPE has been able to remarkably progress in defending the rights of young people with cancer in Europe.

SIOPE was established to make your work easier: all SIOPE members can attend to [the SIOPE Europe Annual meeting](#) and other scientific congresses at a reduced rate, take part in European collaborations, attend the many interesting SIOPE [events](#) and [initiatives](#), and receive our regular updates through several communication channels ([website](#), [quarterly Newsletter](#), [YouTube channel](#), [Twitter](#), [LinkedIn](#), [Facebook](#) and 'E-Blasts').

SIOPE is member of several organisations:

- [ECCO](#), the European CanCer Organisation
- [SIOPE](#), the International Society for Paediatric Oncology - European Branch
- [EURORDIS](#), the Council of European Rare Disease Federations
- [EFGCP](#), the European Forum for Good Clinical Practice
- [Rare Cancers Europe](#)

Among the several collaborations and partnerships, SIOPE has built very close ties with parent and patient advocates through the [PPAC](#) (Parent Patient Advocacy Committee), the [ECCO Patient Advisory Committee](#) and the Europe Regional Committee of [Childhood Cancer International - CCI](#).

We also take part in several important projects (including EU projects) and initiatives:

- ✓ Joint Action on Rare Cancers ([JARC](#)),
- ✓ Quality and Excellence in Radiotherapy and Imaging for Children and Adolescents with Cancer across Europe in Clinical Trials ([QUARTET](#)),
- ✓ European Reference Networks on Paediatric Cancer ([ERN PaedCan](#)),
- ✓ [Survivorship Passport](#),
- ✓ [ACCELERATE Platform](#)

2. Take advantage of reduced rates at SIOPE Europe Annual Meeting

We are excited to share the news that SIOPE will be organising a Paediatric Oncology Annual Meeting. [The first edition of SIOPE Europe Annual Meeting will be held on 20-25 May 2019 in Prague, Czech Republic.](#)

This unique event will include novel session formats, which will be comparable to interactive workshops. The meeting will host most of the European clinical trial groups, thereby disseminating the outcomes of the high-quality clinical and basic research carried out in Europe. All SIOPE and SIOPE members, plus parent groups, and survivors will be invited. We have received a lot of encouragement from different stakeholders as well as from industry to support this event. In the future, this annual event will bring together our community to learn, exchange, and network in Europe, and beyond. Further detailed information about this Annual Meeting will be available on the official event website <http://siopeurope.eu/> and we encourage you to already book your agenda!

By joining SIOPE, you can benefit from a special reduced fee - only for SIOPE Members.



3. Be the first to receive paediatric oncology news

You will receive all the news you need to be updated in your discipline, including information on the several not-to-be-missed SIOPE events, educational opportunities, latest news, EU health policies and funding opportunities brought forward by our Society. We constantly keep informed our members, providing the latest 'hot news' in paediatric oncology through our innovative communication channels:

- [SIOPE website](#)
- [The quarterly SIOPE Newsletter](#)
- Social Media ([Twitter](#), [Facebook](#) and [LinkedIn](#))
- [SIOPE YouTube channel](#)
- Monthly "E-Blast" (e-mails) to members

4. Closer collaborations with European experts

SIOPE works to share the best practices currently existing in Europe, and to collaborate with SIOPE means to improve the current level of childhood cancer research and healthcare in Europe. As research in paediatric oncology is usually carried out at an international scale, a European approach is therefore necessary to develop new and more effective treatments.

As a member of SIOPE you will be part of a very active influential network, which will allow you to disseminate the results of your work to your European colleagues, to connect with your European colleagues from similar medical fields, and to share knowledge and views on key issues affecting the paediatric oncology community. You will also be able to look for partners for your current and future projects, as well as to establish collaborations with industry and other sectors.

5. Get actively involved at the European level

Together with all the stakeholders from our field, SIOPE makes sure that the needs of paediatric oncology professionals are addressed by EU policy-makers. Thanks to the essential support of our members, SIOPE has already been able to make considerable progresses by improving fundamental pieces of legislation – that also have an impact on your daily profession – managing to be considered as the only reference point for everything related to paediatric oncology in Europe as well as a 'natural partner' in several important EU initiatives.

The implementation of the '[European Cancer Plan for Children and Adolescents](#)' will be only achieved through key multidisciplinary collaborations with a common aim. By becoming a member of SIOPE, you will increase the influence of your national association and the overall 'critical mass' of the paediatric oncology community.

Therefore, we are pleased to invite you to the [SIOPE MAC \(MEPs Against Cancer\) Event to mark the 20th Anniversary of SIOPE on 25th September, European Parliament, Brussels, Belgium.](#)

SIOPE Membership

With a multidisciplinary approach, SIOPE is the reference point for everything related to paediatric oncology in Europe.

- SIOPE members are individual stakeholders involved in paediatric oncology research, treatment, care and follow-up.
- SIOPE membership is based on European National Paediatric Haemato-Oncology Societies or groups ('NaPHOS'), who encourage their members to become members of SIOPE.
- In countries without NaPHOS, medical institutions/treatment centres specialised in paediatric cancer care can allow their paediatric oncology professionals to also become members of SIOPE¹.

To ensure an open and continuously growing community, individual oncology professionals who are not members of a NaPHOS can also join SIOPE.

- **SIOPE full membership**

Full membership	Members' rights
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All benefits • Voting rights

- **Affiliate (only available for individual membership) & honorary membership**

Please contact Ms Samira Essiaf for more information at office@siope.eu

- **Practical arrangements SIOPE membership**

Please contact SIOPE (office@siope.eu) to receive the document "Payment Guidelines_SIOPE Membership 2018".

¹ With different conditions: please contact SIOPE (office@siope.eu) for more information