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Free access to all e-posters, abstracts and a number of webcasts from EWMA 2016, EWMA 2017 and EWMA 2018 in the EWMA Knowledge Centre [here](#).



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EWMA 2018 CONFERENCE IN KRAKOW, POLAND

The 28th Annual EWMA Conference will be held in the historic city of Krakow, Poland from 9-11 May 2018, in cooperation with the Polish Wound Management Association (PWMA).

The theme of the EWMA 2018 Conference is **KRAKOW: NEW FRONTIERS IN WOUND MANAGEMENT**. Within this topic, the conference will focus on the significance of the improved and continued education of physicians, nurses, physical therapists and other healthcare professionals engaged in wound management.

The EWMA 2018 theme will be highlighted by scientific presentations featuring a number of key sessions, full-day symposia, free paper sessions, focus sessions and guest sessions. Visit www.ewma2018.org for information about the programme and follow #EWMA2018 at EWMA's social media for updates and news.



EWMA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND COUNCIL ELECTION

EWMA's Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on Friday, 11 May, from 12.50-13.20 during the EWMA 2018 Conference. We hope to see many members of EWMA there!

EWMA Council Election 2018

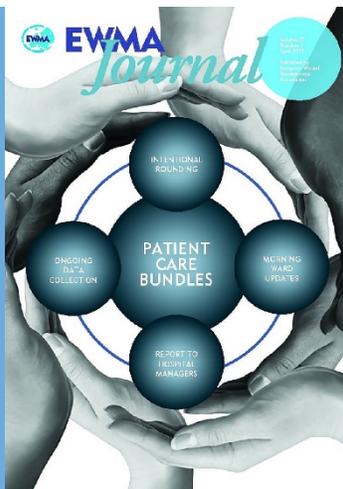
We are pleased to announce that interest in the EWMA Council election has been great this year. As the number of candidates exceeds the vacancies, all members of EWMA (those registered before 1 January 2018) will be offered an opportunity to cast their vote. In the election for individual Council members, there are four vacancies. There are nine candidates competing for these positions.

Five members of the EWMA Council are elected from and by the EWMA Cooperating Organisations. The election among appointed representatives of these organisations will take place during the Cooperating Organisations Board meeting, held on Thursday 10 May during the EWMA 2018 Conference.

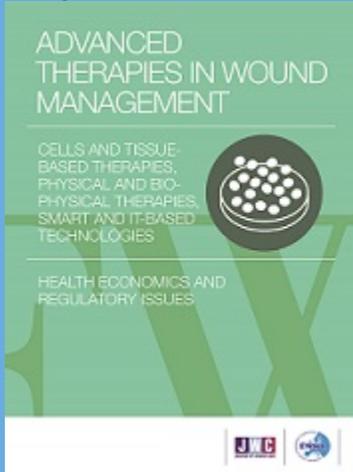
The results of the EWMA Council election will be announced at the AGM on Friday, 11 May 2018, and online at www.ewma.org. We look forward to welcoming the new members of the EWMA Council.

EWMA JOURNAL

EWMA Journal April 2018 issue presents a range of scientific articles, as well as updates and information about current EWMA activities and those of our national and international partner organisations.



Advanced Therapies in Wound Management



Wound Curriculum for Nurses EQF Level 5

The deadline for submissions for the October 2018 issue of the *EWMA Journal* is 15 August 2018.

Interested in submitting an article? [Read the author guidelines here.](#)
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NEWS ABOUT EWMA PROJECTS & ACTIVITIES

PUBLICATIONS

EWMA Document:

[Advanced Therapies in Wound Management: Cells and tissue-based therapies, physical and bio-physical therapies, smart and IT-based technologies. Health economics and regulatory issues](#)

Publication in May 2018 as an online supplement to the *Journal of Wound Care*.

The document will be presented in a key session during the EWMA 2018 Conference on Wednesday, 9 May 2018, from 16.45-18.30.

EWMA Document:

[Surgical wounds and site Infections \(SSI\) - Management in hospitals and community care settings](#)

Expected publication during winter 2018/2019.

The topic and project will be presented in a session during the EWMA 2018 Conference on Thursday, 10 May 2018, from 14.30-15.30

EDUCATION

Wound curriculum for post-registration qualification of nurses level 6 is under development. It is the second in a series of three curricula targeting European Qualifications Framework (EQF) levels 5-7. The aim of this initiative is to support more standardised content in current and future educational programmes. The curriculum covering EQF Level 6 is expected to be finalised in summer 2018.

The curriculum targeting EQF Level 5 can be downloaded free of charge [here](#).

PROGRAMMES AND PROJECTS

EWMA Wound Centre Endorsements

EWMA has established a programme for European wound centre endorsements in collaboration with the cooperating organisations of EWMA. A pilot course on wound centre auditing will be offered during the EWMA 2018 Conference in Krakow, Poland. Course participants must be appointed by an EWMA Cooperating Organisation.

You can read more about the EWMA Wound Centre Endorsement Programme [here](#).

Wound centre managers who are interested in applying for endorsement are encouraged to contact the EWMA Secretariat at ewma@ewma.org for further information.

ADVOCACY

Joint EPUAP-EWMA Pressure Ulcer (PU) Prevention and Patient Safety Advocacy Project

The fourth background article regarding PU prevention and treatment has been published. The article focuses on EWMA and EPUAP's collaboration with the OECD efforts to increase the focus on health care quality indicators to the benefit of patient safety.

All four articles and a general update about the project are available from [EWMA](#) and [EPUAP](#).



WOUND CURRICULUM FOR NURSES

POST-REGISTRATION QUALIFICATION WOUND MANAGEMENT
EUROPEAN QUALIFICATION FRAMEWORK LEVEL 5



EWMA Wound Courses Endorsement



As part of EWMA's aim to identify high standard education programmes for health care professionals, we offer the possibility to have wound management courses endorsed by EWMA.

For more information go to the [EWMA website](#) or contact the [EWMA Secretariat](#)

EWMA PARTNER ACTIVITIES

EWMA Cooperating Organisations Board meeting and Cooperating Organisations Workshop 2018

The Cooperating Organisations' Board meeting is scheduled to take place during the EWMA Conference in Krakow on Thursday, 10 May 2018, from 15.00-18.15. This year, the meeting is focused on *experiences with development and the endorsement of wound centres across Europe*. Representatives of the 53 Cooperating Organisations have been invited to participate.

EWMA CONFERENCE 2019

The 29th Annual EWMA Conference will be held 5-7 June 2019 in the heart of Gothenburg, Sweden, in cooperation with the Swedish Wound Care Nurses Association (SSiS).

The theme of the EWMA 2019 Conference is **Person-Centred Wound Care. Who is in Charge of the Wound?**

Abstracts: The abstract submission system will open in October 2018. Submission deadline is 1 December 2018, 23:59 (CET).

Registration: Registration opens in November 2018. The early bird registration deadline is 3 April 2019.

Conference dates: 5-7 June 2019.

Read more and stay updated at ewma.org/ewma-conference/2019/. We look forward to welcoming you to Gothenburg in 2019!



On behalf of the EWMA Council, I wish you all a wonderful springtime and look forward to seeing you in Krakow in May!

Kind regards,
Sue Bale,
EWMA President

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