

# 1. Message from YSF's Spokesperson

Dear ESB members,

I am writing this YSF Newsletter as past YSF spokesperson, since we are glad to announce that at the beginning of April the new YSF board was successfully installed. First of all, I want to sincerely congratulate the new members and wish them an excellent personal and professional path within the YSF. I am sure that the new team will do even better than what has been done before, strengthening the weak points, further enhancing networking among young scientists, always striving for continuous improvement, in perfect YSF style.



Elena Varoni  
YSF  
Spokesperson

So, I am very glad to announce the new YSF board:

Arn Mignon - Spokesperson

Nicola Contessi - Secretary

Patrycja Domalik-Pyzik - National chapter liaison

Anna Puiggali-Jou - Education liaison officer

Tom Kamperman - Industry liaison officer

Paula Soares - Communication and dissemination

These years as a spokesperson have been a great adventure, which made me grow professionally and personally. I want to thank you all for giving me this opportunity, in 2018. An opportunity shared, with honor and pleasure, with the rest of the excellent team. I have not only found brilliant colleagues, but also friends.

I want also to sincerely thank all the ESB Council (a special thanks to our ESB YSF liaison officer – Prof. Aldo Boccaccini) and all the people who in different ways interacted with us and supported the YSF.

YSF has the main objective to stimulate collaboration and enthusiasm for research, supporting the new generations. Along this line, we are glad to announce, in this Newsletter, the winners of our YSF call for projects 2022. Congratulations to Paula Soares and Bert Van den Bogerd!

I look forward to meeting many of you at the next ESB Annual Meeting, in Bordeaux in September 2022.

Best regards,  
Elena Varoni

## 1. New members of the YSF Board

The e-voting closed on the 4<sup>th</sup> of March. We are glad to share with you the names and related positions of the new board:

Arn Mignon – Spokesperson (re-elected for another 4-year term)  
Nicola Contessi – Secretary (re-elected for another 4-year term)  
Patrycja Domalik-Pyzik - National chapter liaison  
Anna Puiggali-Jou - Education liaison officer  
Tom Kamperman - Industry liaison officer  
Paula Soares - Communication and dissemination

We congratulate once again with all of them!

## 2. YSF call for projects - winners

The YSF-ESB board has selected two projects for the 2022 YSF call for projects, awarding Bert Van den Bogerd (University of Antwerp, Belgium) and Paula Soares (Universidade NOVA de Lisboa, Portugal) for in total an amount of 1200 Euro.

Bert's project is to help organize the Annual Meeting for the Belgian Society for Tissue Engineering (2 - 3/12/2022). This conference is dedicated to the Belgian community of young biomaterials scientists. It covers the whole domain of tissue engineering and aims to bring together a mix of different scientific backgrounds.

Paula's project is titled: "Regulatory Affairs in Biomaterials and Biomedical Devices". This is a symposium for early career scientists which brings closer aspects of regulatory affairs that young scientists in biomaterials and biomedical sciences should always keep in mind.

YSF-ESB Call for projects is an annual initiative from YSF board, sponsoring the organization of events/workshops for a total amount of up to 1,200 Euros. The final aim of the call is to promote the training of young scientists and to stimulate dissemination in the field of biomaterials in Europe.

## 3. YSF logo design contest

Last but definitely not least, the YSF-ESB board is happy to announce the YSF logo design contest. We are European young scientists passionate about biomaterials, let's find a logo that will give us identity and we will be proud to use!

### Terms and conditions:

1. Logo entries should be submitted by email to [ysf@esbiomaterials.eu](mailto:ysf@esbiomaterials.eu).
2. The deadline for entries is **15 July 2022**.
3. The full name 'Young Scientist Forum of the European Society for Biomaterials' might be hard to nicely fit into the logo design. Hence, the logo should contain either: (1) 'Young Scientist Forum' and 'ESB' acronym or (2) just both acronyms, i.e. 'YSF' and 'ESB'. There are no color/format restrictions however, the logo should look good when presented together with the ESB logo (<https://www.esbiomaterials.eu/>). This does not mean that it has to contain the ESB logo or part of it.
4. Logo design entries will be judged based on the following criteria: 1. relevance (20%), 2. originality (20%), 3. versatility (20%), 4. simplicity (20%), and 5. aesthetics/match with the ESB logo (20%).
5. The prize is **€150 and a certificate**. The money will be transferred to the account provided by the winner.

6. Designs must be submitted in \*.PNG or \*.TIFF format with high resolution. Color and black & white versions should be included.
7. Logo designs must be original and cannot violate any copyrights. Submitting individuals will be held accountable for any issues that may involve intellectual property violations.
8. IP: all submitted designs will become the property of the Young Scientist Forum of the European Society for Biomaterials. YSF-ESB reserves the right to make minor necessary adjustments to the winning design to meet any technical requirements that may occur.
9. The organizers (YSF-ESB) reserve the right to terminate the Contest without selecting a winner. In such a case, the Contest might be re-opened for additional submissions.