

Guidelines for Interactive Session (IaS)

To enhance knowledge and practice in clinical diagnosis and management, using a format which encourages the participant to actively engage, and with immediate feedback to support learning



90 min

SESSION FORMAT AND STRUCTURE

Duration: 90 minutes

Case discussions with voting via electronic devices/EAN App.

A chairperson leads the overall structure and content of the session, supported by 2 additional speakers who are all experts in the same field. Please consider gender balance, geographical spread (ideally not more than one speaker per country), and make sure to include junior speakers. The chairperson has to be speaker as well as there are now benefits for the sole role of chairing a session.

- Usually 3 (and up to a maximum of 6) cases can be presented, around a unifying theme which should reflect a clinical practice issue e.g. diagnosis (paroxysmal disorders, gait disorders, eye movement disorders), investigation (e.g. imaging, neurophysiology, management of epilepsy, eye movement disorders).
- All attendees (onsite with smartphone or device, online via virtual congress platform) will have access to an interactive digital system for the session to participate actively in the voting process.
- During each case presentation, the chairperson will ask a single best answer question, and offer up to 5 possible answers, e.g.
 1. What is the most likely diagnosis?
 2. What would you expect to find on MRI?
 3. What would be the most useful investigation?
 4. What would be the most appropriate drug in this situation?
- The speaker pauses to allow the audience to vote using the interactive system. The speaker may also invite comment/discussion from the audience before or after voting.
- Results for the question will be displayed on screen directly afterwards. The speaker/panel should then explain the rationale behind the correct answer, and if appropriate show 2-3 slides of evidence supporting this.
- The Chair should also make attendees aware to fill out the online evaluation form for this course via the app.

PREPARATION

In order for the technicians to prepare the voting system, Questions and answers must be sent in advance to EAN Headoffice, a separate mailing with detailed explanation of the system and questionnaire template will be sent in advance.

ATTENDEES

Unlimited number. Interactive sessions may be attended by both junior and more senior participants, they can be aimed at a specific (stated) audience, or (preferably) include elements suitable to a broad audience.

BENEFITS

Speakers will be offered registration to the congress, a travel grant and up to 2 nights of hotel accommodation.

PARTNER SOCIETIES

EAN has Memoranda of Understanding with several societies. Their session proposals will be developed together with the panels by the societies' representative.

For societies without representative, the proposal will be forwarded to the panel in charge for consideration.

Each partner society will be invited to label one of the accepted sessions as joint session.

Final decision on all sessions, lectures and speakers is with the Programme Committee.