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***** Registration is now OPEN for the 4th World Conference on Congenital Disorders of Glycosylation (CDG) for Families and Professionals *****

Will you walk the CDG road: from diagnosis to therapies with us? This is the challenge we are launching for this very special edition of the conference.

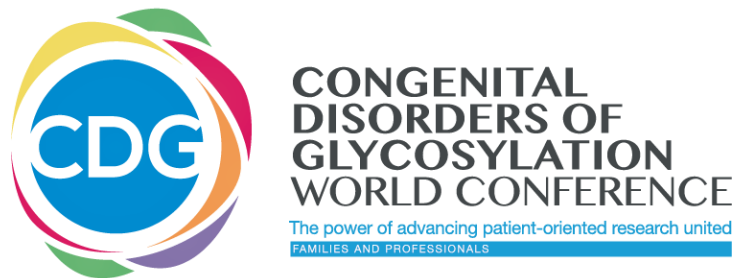
Lisbon, 28th February 2019 – We are joining the Rare Disease Day celebrations by opening the registrations for the **4th World Conference on Congenital Disorders of Glycosylation (CDG) for Families and Professionals “The CDG road: from diagnosis to therapies!”**, the unique international event that joins CDG families and professionals from all around the world.

There will be two registration forms, one for families and one for professionals.

Registration form for **FAMILIES** – [HERE](#)

Registration form for **PROFESSIONALS** - [HERE](#)

Additional information and updates will be available in social media: [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [LinkedIn](#) and APCDG blog [HERE](#).



“Like the previous 3 editions, the WCCDG is a unique platform that allows the interaction between families and professionals, promotes the exchange of different experiences and increases “patient-friendly” knowledge. This year we have a completely different format! We will have workshops followed by Think Tank sessions where families and professionals will exchange ideas, doubts and find solutions together” – said **Vanessa Ferreira, PhD, MBA (APCDG founder and volunteer scientific coordinator at CDG & Allies – PPAIN)**.

“The theme for this 4th edition’s agenda is the process of drug development, since the diagnosis to the final therapeutic solution. How can we improve the diagnosis, which disease models exist and are being used for research, which therapies are available and are they being developed? All of these questions are fundamental to the CDG Community and our goal is to

answer them.” said **Sandra Brasil, PhD in Molecular Biology (Patient advocate and researcher at APCDG).**



"We invite the entire CDG Community to join us for this pioneer and groundbreaking event!

Be prepared for action, interaction and to speak your mind. We all have multiple visions about the major challenges faced by the CDG Community, by gathering and discussing them, I am sure we can all be part of the solution! " **Rita Francisco, MSc (CDG patient advocate and researcher, CDG & Allies-PPAIN)**

About the Portuguese CDG and other Metabolic Rare Disorders Association (APCDG):

Founded in 2010, APCDG (www.apcdg.com) is a patient led and centric non-profit association, whose particular goal is to stimulate new research lines that make a difference in the lives of patients and families. APCDG initiatives are developed both nationally and internationally. APCDG is committed to finding a cure for Congenital Disorders of Glycosylation (CDG) and related disorders, to improving the treatment options and to giving information and support to people with CDG, through research, education, awareness programs and advocacy. APCDG top priority is to give a complete and holistic perspective of the patient as a person. Go to our website: <http://www.apcdg.com/>

About [CDG & Allies-PPAIN](#): With the help of a broad network of scientists, physicians, families and patient advocacy groups, we have established a patient-led national and internationally unrivaled infrastructure for research, awareness and education for CDG. The research on glycosylation disorders is primarily dedicated to Congenital Disorders of Glycosylation (CDG). The advances and innovations achieved for CDG through CDG & Allies - PPAIN will impact on a large number of patients, namely all human diseases characterized by abnormal protein glycosylation such as cancer, inflammation, Alzheimer disease and diabetes.

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