

What can INHWE do for you?

Hello again INHWE Members! I wanted to take a moment to reflect on a particular session at the recent [INHWE Conference](#) in Cardiff that highlighted the importance of our network and the diverse ways in which we support our membership. During the session titled "What Our Network Can Do For You", I had the opportunity to personally delve into and reflect on three key areas of focus: bringing members' research to a wider audience, running accessible events, and supporting our members' lifelong work. It filled me with pride to share numerous examples of how we have assisted our members in expanding the reach of their research, whether through promotional efforts, event invitations, or more tailored approaches. Our unwavering belief in the power of knowledge sharing continues to drive us as we explore new avenues to support our membership in this regard.

Additionally, accessibility lies at the core of our mission. We understand the financial and geographical barriers that can limit participation and as such we strive to make our events as inclusive as possible. We have provided financial support to members attending European project events linked to their research ([such as our recent event in Athens, Greece](#)), and we have also organized free online events to accommodate those unable to attend in person. Our aim is to ensure that valuable insights and connections within our diverse membership base are accessible to all. We will continue our efforts to support you in attending events in the future.

Lastly, one of our greatest joys is supporting our members in their life's work. Allow me to share the inspiring story of **Eli Anderson**, whose impactful message of storytelling in healthcare we helped bring to a wider audience. During my talk, I recounted how we met Eli in Dublin back in 2019, where he conducted a workshop on the significance of understanding story in healthcare. The overwhelmingly positive feedback from the workshop compelled me to speak with Eli before the event concluded. He shared his ambitious plan to reach 1 billion people with his storytelling message, and I was determined to assist him in some way. We embarked on securing funding through an application for EU funding, which resulted in a grant awarded later that year. The rest, as they say, is history, and the fruits of Eli's dedicated work can be explored at www.storyaid.eu.

With all of this in mind, I want to reiterate our unwavering commitment to supporting you. We welcome any request for support, no matter how small, as we continuously strive to enhance our membership and assist in your work. Your success is our success, so please don't hesitate to reach out to us. **Thank you for being a valued member of our community.** Together, I wholeheartedly believe that we will continue to make a significant difference in healthcare education.

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