

To the Presidents and  
Secretariats of the national  
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organisations of People with  
Arthritis/Rheumatism in Europe (PARE)

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## **EULAR EDGAR STENE PRIZE 2013**

### **REF: Stene Prize Winner 2013 – official announcement**

Dear friends and colleagues,

On behalf of the 2013 Stene Prize Jury we would like to thank you and all national submitters very much for your active participation and contribution to this year's Stene Prize competition. .

This year the theme, "**Growing up or growing older: my secret to healthy ageing with a rheumatic or musculoskeletal disease**", was featured and the EULAR secretariat received entries from 19 member countries which is again one of the highest numbers ever. We are delighted that we had several countries engaging for the first time in the competition which is a great development.

We are very happy to report that all entries were remarkably well written and many were really innovative and very inspiring. These criteria were used by the five Jury members in order to score each entry and they had a difficult choice to make as the quality was very high. However, the final choice of the Jury was unanimous. .

**The Jury is delighted to announce that the Stene Prize 2013 is awarded to Ms Mette Toft from Denmark.**

We congratulate Ms Mette Toft very warmly and very much look forward to meeting her in Madrid this year in June during the EULAR congress.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank all those who shared their personal stories with us..

As we are so pleased with the overall response and high quality of entries it has been decided to once again develop a Stene Prize Booklet out of a selection of entries received for the 2013 competition. It will be published in time for the EULAR congress.

With kindest regards,

The image shows two handwritten signatures in blue ink. The first signature on the left is 'M Batziou' with a long, sweeping underline. The second signature on the right is 'Neil Betteridge' in a cursive style.

**Maria Batziou**, Chairperson EULAR Standing Committee of People with Arthritis and Rheumatism in Europe (PARE)

**Neil Betteridge**, EULAR Vice President, representing PARE

**On behalf of EULAR and the Stene Prize Jury 2013**