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## Affiliation Proposal between the Società Italiana di Psicologia Pediatrica (SIPPED) and *Pediatric Reports*

The journal will display on its websites a text saying that the Società Italiana di Psicologia Pediatrica (SIPPED) is affiliated to [Pediatric Reports](#). The SIPPED will display a similar text on its website. *Pediatric Reports* is published in open access model, which means:

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Publication in open access model gives a higher visibility to the research published in the journals, by enabling researchers and practitioners from all over the world to have free access to scientific information.

### Benefits for the Società Italiana di Psicologia Pediatrica (SIPPED)

1. A 20% discount\* on the article processing charges for all individual members of the SIPPED to publish in *Pediatric Reports*;
2. The society will have the opportunity to publish free of charge 2 high quality manuscripts per year.
3. *Pediatric Reports* will have a section on "Pediatric Psychology". The Society can propose some of their members to join and lead the Editorial Board of this section.
4. Possibility to set up dedicated Special Issues related to the society research area, to include selected papers published in open access form at a discounted fee. The Special Issue can be printed in book format: e-books can be downloaded for free, and hardcover/softcover versions can be ordered at a price. A discount on the article processing charges for selected papers collected from the conference that were authored by non-members can be agreed on a case by case basis. A full waiver for the Guest Editor and a minimum discount of 20% on the APC for invited papers will be granted;
5. *Pediatric Reports* will sponsor different activities at the society conferences (e.g. keynote speaker, travel grant for PhD students or Postdocs, best poster awards, coffee breaks, etc.) depending on the scale, theme and location of the conferences and the annual marketing budget of the journal;
6. Possibility to publish full conference proceedings in the journal [Proceedings](#) at preferential rates;
7. The possibility to publish meeting reports of society conferences free of charge in *Pediatric Reports*;
8. The possibility to publish open access books and book series at discounted rates. Published books can be downloaded for free and printed versions can be ordered at a price;
9. [Sciforum.net](#) platform for organizing society conferences and conference organizing services at preferential rates. The SIPPED as well as each individual member will be able to use the platform free of charge if self-managed;
10. Promotion of society conference on the journal website;
11. The possibility to advertise the society news on the website of the journal and its social media channels;
12. The possibility for the society and its members to post job announcements free of charge on the website of *Pediatric Reports*



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### Benefits for *Pediatric Reports*

1. The SIPPED will recommend *Pediatric Reports* to its members as preferred/affiliated journal;
2. The society will submit at least 4 papers per year to *Pediatric Reports*.
3. The SIPPED will display the *Pediatric Reports* logo and short descriptions of the journals on its website. The society will also display a text introducing *Pediatric Reports* as an affiliated journal;
4. Possibility to set up Special Issues with society conferences and collect selected papers from the conferences;
5. Promote the Special Issues at society conferences;
6. Display the *Pediatric Reports* logo at the society conferences.

The affiliation is a non-binding agreement and involves only mutual benefits.

The agreement is valid for an unlimited period of time, unless a notification is given by either party. Any of the party can cancel the agreement at any point in time.

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