The European Lung Foundation is dedicated to bringing patients and the public together with respiratory professionals to improve respiratory health. This activity includes actively involving patients in healthcare by ensuring the patient voice is incorporated at every level of ERS activities, as well as disseminating the highest quality patient resources and communicating and translating the work of ERS to those outside the respiratory field.

KEY MILESTONES

- ERS awarded The European Association Award for the Most Innovative Development for the creation of the European Lung Foundation
- ELF advising in patient input at key conferences and for other medical organisations
- First patient co-Chairs in ERS’s SHARP CRC
- European Patient Ambassador Programme (EPAP) translated into German and Italian
- New websites launched focusing on patient priorities for bronchiectasis and LAM
- ELF occupational tool launched in English

6 new resources produced this year that are now available in 28 languages

Patients involved in 19 task forces and 6 CRCs – with a total of 2,972 patients inputting in ERS activities

404 new ambassadors for the European Patient Ambassador Programme

55,000 visitors to the ELF website each month

36,215 views of ELF resources for people travelling with oxygen

>16,000 users taking the ELF quiz on occupational lung conditions via social media