In 2016, the Fons Sips Outstanding Achievement Award was created in honour of the contributions of one of EYFDM’s (at that time VdGM) founding fathers, Alphons Jacobus Ignatius. It was created in order to ensure that the heritage and history of the movement was not forgotten and in order to recognise great work and contribution of its members. The celebratory action was tinged with profound sadness as Fons Sips passed away shortly after its creation. The inaugural award was awarded to Fons Sips in memoriam and we were joined by his family in honouring him at the WONCA Europe Conference in Prague 2017.

In 2021 WONCA World created the Rising Star Award which aims to recognize a young doctor who has demonstrated a drive for excellence in Health Care. Each of the seven Young Doctors Movements designates its candidate for the WONCA World Rising Star Award, the winner is announced at the WONCA World Conference. The winner of the biannual Fons Sips Outstanding Achievement Award becomes EYFDM’s nominee for the WONCA World Rising Star Award. It is our privilege and honor to present one of the EYFDM members side by side with other YDM’s candidates to the world audience of family physicians.
AIMS

The fusion of the awards underlines the value of each and a will to acknowledge accomplishments of the young general practitioners. But despite its new global scale, the Fons Sips Outstanding Achievement Award remains first and foremost the chance for EYFDM members to appreciate their colleagues’ achievements and passion for Family Medicine, as well as their commitment to EYFDM community. It continues to be an award “by the members, for the members”.

JURY

Fons Sips Outstanding Achievement Award
The nominations will be evaluated by a jury consisting of EYFDM Executive members, Council members and WE Executive members.

WONCA World Rising Star Award
The nomination will be evaluated by a jury consisting of seven Young Doctor Movements representatives.

REQUIREMENTS

Nominations will be requested from the EYFDM members.

Nominator must be:

1. A “young doctor”, meaning family medicine/general practice trainee or within 5 years of completing her/his training

Nominee must be:

1. A “young doctor”, meaning family medicine/general practice trainee or within 5 years of completing her/his training (the status must be still valid by the month of WONCA World Conference 2023)
2. A registered member of a WONCA Europe National Member Organisation

Nominators should demonstrate the nominees’ outstanding achievements in the field of family medicine and contribution to EYFDM, the European Young Family Doctors Movement of WONCA.
DOCUMENTS

To nominate a colleague, please provide:

1. Evidence of the nominator “young doctor” status saved as „Name of the nominator_Status1_ FSA2023”
2. A letter of consent from the nominee saved as „Name of the nominee_CONSENT_FSA2023”
3. Evidence of the nominee’s membership of a WONCA Europe National Member Organization saved as „Name of the nominee_NMO_FSA2023”
4. Evidence of the nominee’s “young doctor” status saved as „Name of the nominee_Status2_FSA2023”
5. A completed template of a nomination letter outlining why the nominee should be considered for the award saved as „Name of the nominee_NL_FSA2023”

All documents and potential questions should be sent to awards@eyfdm.eu

CALENDAR

All documents should be sent to awards@eyfdm.eu by the 15th of April 2023.

The winner of the Fons Sips Outstanding Achievement Award will be informed about results by 31st April 2023.
The winner of the Fons Sips Outstanding Achievement Award will be announced during the Closing Ceremony of the WONCA Europe Conference in Amsterdam (10th June 2023).
The winner of the WONCA World Rising Star Award will be announced during WONCA World Conference in Sydney (26th to 29th October 2023).
Fons Sips Outstanding Achievement Award
Nomination Letter

Name of the nominee:
Name of the nominator:

To present your candidate for the Being Young Staying Young Award please describe how the nominee contributed to the European Young Family Doctors’ Movement and why they should be considered for the award. The following examples of contribution are not mandatory but may help you choose in what fields your nominee excels.

Your nominee may:

- actively advocate for EYFDM at the international or national level
- ignite valuable improvements in the functioning of EYFDM
- take an active role in EYFDM Forum or Preconference
- support activism of EYFDM members
- offer new opportunities for EYFDM
- collaborate with EYFDM