Regulations for Scientific Sponsorship of Events

The Portuguese Stroke Society (SPAVC) provides scientific sponsorship to events of renowned interest for scientific training and other activities that contribute for disseminating and training in the area of stroke and associated areas.

Scientific sponsorships may only be provided to national or foreign scientific meetings focused mainly on subjects related to the cerebrovascular disease, including Conferences, Symposia, Meetings, and Workshops.

The request form shall be delivered to the Board of Directors of SPAVC and its evaluation will be based on the following principles:

1. The Organising Committee of the scientific event shall request in writing the sponsorship at least **two months** before the starting date of the event.

2. Scientific sponsorship shall only be provided to organising entities of doctors or other health-care professionals, university entities, institutions, and foundations in the Health area. SPAVC shall not sponsor events for an individual or a company to gain profit.

3. The documents to be sent in writing to SPAVC shall mandatorily include the following components:
   - Designation(Title/subject) Date and place
   - Workload
   - Promoter / organiser
   - Organising Committee (names and institutions)
   - Scientific Committee (names and institutions)
   - Objectives of the event
- Target audience
- Detailed scientific programme
- Lecturers (names and institutions)
- Means of financing
- Financial goals of the event – destiny of the profits of the event (if any) – SPAVC shall not sponsor events for an individual or a company to gain profit.

4. If the previously indicated items are not complied with, the requested sponsorship shall be immediately declined, and that shall be communicated in writing to the Organising Committee.

5. In the evaluation process, the history of the Organising Committee will be considered.

6. The decision made shall only be valid to the concerned event and do not regard posterior events, even if they have similar content.

7. SPAVC’s decision shall be communicated in writing to the Organising Committee up to **ten working days** after the request has been received.

8. After concluding the process, the organising entity is authorised to announce the scientific sponsorship provided by SPAVC. The sponsorship request may be included in the preliminary programme, but SPAVC shall only be mentioned in the final programme if the sponsorship has been provided.

9. If the scientific programme is changed after its approval by SPAVC, and SPAVC does not consider it justified, that may determine the cancellation of the scientific sponsorship.

10. The provision of scientific sponsorship by SPAVC does not imply its announcement in the communication platforms of SPAVC. That announcement shall only occur if SPAVC considers that the event must be highlighted on its official website.

11. The Organising Committee must send SPAVC a copy of the final programme with the scientific sponsorship mentioned.

12. SPAVC shall not provide scientific sponsorship to events in which the majority of the lecturers and audience are Portuguese and are conducted outside Portugal.
13. SPAVC reserves the right to announce through its communication bodies its opinion on the “provision or denial of scientific sponsorship” of events.

14. The misuse of SPAVC’s name or logo shall be subject to legal proceedings.

15. The Board of Directors of SPAVC is responsible for individually evaluating any case here omitted and the process for deciding the provision of scientific sponsorship shall be reasoned and communicated to SPAVC's full members.