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1st World Tinnitus Congress
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WELCOME MESSAGE

Ladies and Gentlemen,
Dear Colleagues,

I am pleased to invite you to the 1st World Tinnitus Congress and the XII International Tinnitus Seminar on 22-24 May 2017 in Warsaw.

The World Tinnitus Congress is an initiative grown from many discussions with researchers in the field of tinnitus, participants and faculty members of previous ITS conferences and candidates looking to organize future meetings. They highlighted that the scope of the scientific subject area covered by the International Tinnitus Seminar has, since its conception in 1979, far outgrown the frames of a seminar meeting. Today it is a significant intercontinental event on a global map of scientific meetings in hearing science.

Tinnitus research is of increasing social and clinical interest, as number of sufferers grows all over the world. There is a demand for strategies and therapies to prevent and alleviate tinnitus. Our primary aim in organizing this Congress is to bring together the experienced and up-and-coming scientists and clinicians to actively discuss the latest ideas, results and challenges. We shall consider it our success when the Congress will spark new insights that will be applied in research and clinical work.

Warsaw is a superb location to hold a global congress - in centre of Europe, with good flight connections to major cities worldwide and excellent congress and hotel infrastructure. With population of 1.7 million it is the largest Polish city, a thriving economic, political, and cultural centre. It is worth spending a few days in order to experience its unique atmosphere. The city’s diversity means that there is something for everyone. I am certain that for participants it will be an enjoyable and enriching time.

I am looking forward to a fascinating and productive interdisciplinary meeting and exchange of knowledge.

Prof. Henryk Skarżyński, MD, PhD, dr h.c. (multi)
President of the 1st World Tinnitus Congress and the XII International Tinnitus Seminar
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KEY TOPICS

1. Assessment and diagnostics
2. Cochlear implants in tinnitus
3. Comorbidities
   • audiological
   • physiological
   • psychological
   • age-related
4. Clinical studies
5. Epidemiology of tinnitus
6. Genetics
7. Heterogeneity of tinnitus
8. Interventions:
   • music based intervention in tinnitus
   • neurofeedback in treatment of subjective tinnitus
   • pharmacological and phytotherapy approaches
   • surgical interventions
   • transcranial magnetic stimulation
10. Noise induced tinnitus
11. Preclinical interventions
12. Psychotherapy in tinnitus treatment
   • subjective hearing problems in normal-hearing tinnitus patients
   • applications of relaxation techniques and nonconventional approaches
   • TRT
   • cognitive behaviour therapy
   • TAT/CBT
13. Single Sided Deafness and tinnitus
14. Technology-based interventions:
   • middle ear implants in tinnitus
   • CODACS in tinnitus
   • cochlear implants in tinnitus
   • hearing aids in tinnitus
   • bone conductive implants in tinnitus
15. Tinnitus in children
16. Tinnitus modeling
ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

To submit your abstracts and papers you need to register on-line and create a personal account. Use it to submit your abstracts and papers. Once you sign in, you can submit multiple abstracts and also continue working on abstracts until you finally decide to submit them before the deadline.

Abstract submission: www.its2017.com. Please note that abstracts sent by e-mail will not be accepted.

Important dates:
Online submission will be open on 30 September 2016
Abstract submission deadline: 15 December 2016
Abstract submitted after this date will not be accepted.
Notification of abstract acceptance: 15 February 2017
Notification of acceptance will be sent to Presenter's e-mail address.

Please read instructions carefully before submitting your abstract. The abstract should be less than 500 words long. Abstracts have to be written in English and include following information: presenting author’s affiliation, e-mail, list of authors, title, objectives, materials and methods, conclusions. Authors should indicate their preference of a poster, oral or video presentation.

All presentations and additional media files have to be delivered to the preview room at least one hour before their session for final check. Speakers whose presentation is during the first session in the morning are asked to hand in their slides the day before. The room is available for speakers’ convenience throughout the meeting.

When reviewing the presentation in the preview room, make sure all fonts, images and animations appear as expected and all audio or video clips are working properly.

For details, please see the section Abstracts on www.its2017.com

SUPPORTING JOURNAL

All papers presented at the conference will be published in the Journal of Hearing Science. All accepted abstracts will be printed in the meeting abstract book.

CME POINTS

CME points will be awarded, number of points dependant on the Scientific Program.
REGISTRATION

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Under 35 yo. Active Participant - 90 EUR
Under 35 yo. Passive Participant - 150 EUR

You must provide photocopy of a document confirming your date of birth (passport, ID card, etc) to obtain this discount.

On receipt of a completed registration form and correct fee, each participant will receive an electronic confirmation of their registration. An individual e-mail address must be provided at registration.

Registration fee includes
- Admission to all scientific sessions
- Coffee breaks and lunches
- Congress program and abstract book
- Welcome Reception
- Certificate of attendance

CANCELLATIONS

Cancellations must be made in writing and sent to secretariat@its2017.com

If received 30 days after registration - 50% of the fee will be refunded.

There will be no refund for cancellations received after 1 January 2017

Name changes are accepted until 30 March 2017
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| Branch       | Bzwbk Brokerage House V |
| Bank Code    | CBM |
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| Country Name | Poland |

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All bank services charges have to be paid by registrants.

Receipt of your registration form and credit card payment will directly be acknowledged by email. If you have not received a confirmation, please contact secretariat@its2017.com

Invoice will be sent by e-mail in pdf to all the participants. Please make sure you have provided us with the correct information: company name, address and VAT number (if applicable), e-mail address where the invoice should be sent. In case of any enquiries, please contact us via e-mail.
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http://www.warsawmarriott.pl

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http://www.warszawa.intercontinental.com

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http://www.novotel.com

Polonia Palace ****
Jerozolimskie Av. 45, Warsaw, 00-692, Poland
http://www.poloniapalace.com

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Constitution Sq. 1, Warsaw, 00-647, Poland
http://www.hotelmdm.com.pl

Hotel Metropol ***
Marszalkowska 99a Street, Warsaw, 00-693, Poland
http://www.hotelmetropol.com.pl
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Warsaw Marriott Hotel
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Baltic Ballroom is divisible into three sections and has a total of 481 sq. m (5,177 sq. ft). The ballroom can accommodate 400 people theater style.

Congress Hall featuring 256 sq. m (2,755 sq. ft) can accommodate up to 250 people theater style.

At Holmes Place you’ll find all of the latest cardio and strength training equipment along with a dynamic group exercise program that includes classes like yoga, group cycling, muscle endurance training and pilates. Most importantly, you’ll find an energetic, supportive environment full of all kinds of people who are committed to achieving their goals.

Lobby Bar - recently changed its design and revealed a more modern and contemporary look. The Lobby Bar is one of the most popular meeting point in Warsaw to unwind after a busy day.
CONGRESS VENUE

Champion’s Sports Bar - the only American sports bar in Warsaw! A great place to relax with friends & enjoy your favorite game with a wide choice of local and international beers and American delights. Over 35 TVs & 2 huge projection screens.

Panorama Bar & Lounge located on the 40th floor is the highest hotel bar in Europe!
WARSAW

Warsaw, the capital of Poland is a city full of contrasts, question marks and surprises. It will excite and inspire you.

Its history dates back to the late 13th century, but there are archaeological traces of several early Middle Age castles from the 10th and 11th centuries found on the Vistula River. Paradoxically, Warsaw’s Old Town is only 50 years old. After the destruction of the World War II it has been laboriously and lovingly reconstructed to its present form. In 1980 it was placed on the UNESCO’s list of World Heritage Sites.

Warsaw is among the greenest metropolises on the continent, with one of Europe’s wildest rivers, Vistula, flowing through the centre of the city. Almost a fourth of its area is made up of parks, green squares, gardens and woodland. A must-see is the Łazienki Królewskie Park (The Royal Baths) with its 76-hectars of gardens and numerous beautiful 18th century neoclassical palaces and pavilions.

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**NETWORKING MEETING**

**Date:**
Tuesday 23 May 2017.

**Venue:**
Park Kajetany - Medincus Active.

**Address:**
Mokra 1 Street, Kajetany, 05-830 Nadarzyn.

**Time:**
The Networking Meeting will commence in the evening from 18:00 p.m. to 21:30 p.m.

**Transportation Information:**
The Conference Organizers will provide transport by bus from Marriott Hotel to the place of venue from 17:00 p.m. to 18:00 p.m.

The Networking Evening will take place at the Park Kajetany-Medincus Active in Kajetany which is situated about 20 km to the south-west of Warsaw. The beautiful natural environment will provide a unique atmosphere of the evening. Localization of the Medincus Active, surrounded by forests away from the city will allow our guests to relax and spend time actively. Recreational area in the Medincus Active includes hotel, restaurant, park, sport hall, mini zoo and shop. Thanks to the sports hall, guests will be able to practice not only outdoor but also indoor sports, which enables our guests to enjoy their time even during unfavorable weather conditions.

We cordially invite all participants, exhibitors and accompanying persons to join us for this unique meeting. The networking evening will provide an additional opportunity for the community to come together to discuss the most important issues. We are looking forward to welcoming you at this special location to finish off a successful first congress day.
GENERAL INFORMATION

Currency
Polish Zloty (PLN). Current mean exchange rate published by the National Bank of Poland is about 1 EUR = 4.30 PLN.

Electricity
The voltage in Poland is 230/400V.

Climate
Warsaw has a pleasant climate. The agreeable temperatures in the May are an open invitation for a walk by the Vistula river or to spend an afternoon in one of the many street cafes to be found over the Old City. Average day air temperature in May: 19.5°C/ 67.1 °F. The temperatures may fall somewhat in the evening.

Time Zone
UTC + 02:00 Central European Summer Time.

Transport
Transport by bus and train: Warsaw Chopin Airport is located within a distance of 10 kilometers from the city centre if Warsaw. The Congress Venue is located 25 minutes from Chopin Warsaw Airport. Warsaw Chopin Airport is conveniently connected with the centre of Warsaw and major railway and bus stations. S2, S3 SKM (All trains S3 provide direct access in to the Warsaw Central Station or adjacent Warsaw City Centre station) and bus line 175 and N32 (night line). Trains and bus operate approximately every 20-15 minutes (5-10 minutes - in rush hour). Stops near the Warsaw Chopin Airport Congress venue are situated in Zone 1 of the ticket tariff. ZTM tickets on the airport premises can be bought at the Passenger Service Centre in the arrival hall, from ticket vending machines located at bus stops and by the entrance to a railway station, in SKM trains and in some buses, or in a bus from a driver.

Transport by taxi: the price must not exceed PLN 3 per 1 km in tariff 1 (day-time tariff). Taxi rank: located at the arrival level of Terminal A.

Airport information (call centre) phone: +48 22 650 42 20
Tourist information phone: +48 22 19431, www.warsawtour.pl

Insurance
All congress attendees are advised to arrange private travel insurance. The congress organisers and committee accept no liability for personal accidents or damage to property while in attendance at the conference.

Language
The official congress language is English. No translation services are provided during sessions.

Banking
Central banks are open Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The nearest ATM is located at the Marriott building.

Tipping
Generally 5-10% if you are happy with the service.
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