

ERA-EDTA back to golden Prague

From Vladimir Tesar, President of the XLVIII ERA-EDTA Congress

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

We are extremely happy to welcome you to Prague for the 48th congress of ERA-EDTA.

We are very hopeful that due both to the outstanding scientific programme, as well as the beauty of our city, we can expect a very high number of participants.

The scientific programme was carefully prepared by the Scientific Committee, chaired by Prof. Raymond Vanholder, and is aimed at covering all major areas of basic and clinical nephrology in a form of specific tracks which should provide a comprehensive view of the recent progress in clinical nephrology, dialysis and transplantation.

Special attention will be paid to the activities of different working groups and the presentation of the late breaking clinical trials. As usual, CME sessions will precede the official opening of the congress. We believe that they will attract many young nephrologists.

A total number of 1980 abstracts were submitted for this meeting coming from countries all over the world. We must thank Prof. Markus Ketteler and

the whole Paper Selection Committee for their hard work in evaluating and choosing the free communications and the posters that will be presented during the Congress.

Prague, the capital of the Czech Republic, lies in the heart of Europe and is now easily accessible from all major European destinations. The Convention Centre in Prague, the venue of the meeting, has a marvellous view of the Prague Castle and the old city and is located only two or three underground stops (5 minutes) from the centre of the city which gives the participants the chance to enjoy also its rich cultural and social life.

Prague is well known for its marvelous historical centre.

You can start your visit in the centre near the Powder Tower and proceed along the so called King's Road through the Old Town Square and Charles Bridge towards the Prague Castle.

Hopefully, you will be enchanted by the atmosphere of the well preserved baroque city with the interspersed Gothic churches and Art Nouveau buildings demonstrating different periods of the gradual transformation of the city from the medieval residence to the modern cosmopolitan centre.

For those who decide to explore also the other parts of the Czech Republic we can recommend the well known spas of Carlsbad and Marienbad, the city of Kutna Hora located near to the well known medieval silver mines and the beautiful Renaissance cities of Cesky Krumlov, Trebon and Jindrichuv Hradec.

We are very honoured to welcome you to Prague.

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Study for Discs of Newton,
Frantisek Kupka, 1911-1912
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28.3 x 28.5 cm
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ERA-EDTA Working Groups Activities during the Prague Congress

• Pre-congress Meeting "EURECA-m"
Thursday, June 23 - 8:30-17:30 hrs

• Symposium "Working Group Immunonephrology"
Friday, June 24 - 8:00-9:30 hrs

• Symposium "EUTox Working Group - The role of peptides in uraemia"
Friday, June 24 - 14:45-16:15 hrs

• Symposium "Working Group Inherited Kidney Disorders"
Saturday, June 25 - 11:30-13:00 hrs

• Symposium "EuDial - ERA-EDTA Working Group on Dialysis Therapies, focusing on convective therapies"
Saturday, June 25 - 14:45-16:15 hrs

ERA-EDTA NEXT CONGRESSES

PARIS, FRANCE
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ERA-EDTA Initiatives for Research and Education

ERA-EDTA Fellowship Programme

Next deadline to apply is September 1, 2011.

All information, as well as the regulation to apply, is available on the ERA-EDTA website www.era-edta.org, under the "Fellowship Programme" section.

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News from the ERA-EDTA Council

ERA-EDTA - 2011 ELECTIONS.

This year the ERA-EDTA Full members will be asked to elect three new Ordinary Council Members as well as the Chairperson of the Administrative Offices, who will start his term in 2012.

ERA-EDTA CHAIRPERSON OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICES

The nominated candidate that will be elected by the ERA-EDTA General Assembly to be held during the Congress in Prague (PCC Congress Center, Room "Chamber Hall", June 26, 2011, 10:30 - 11:30 hours) is Markus Ketteler (Germany)

ORDINARY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Here instead are the six candidates for the three positions for the vacant Ordinary Council Membership:

- Jonathan Fox (United Kingdom)
- Ziad A. Massy (France)
- Mehmet Sukru Sever (Turkey)
- Soren Schwartz Sorensen (Denmark)
- Vladimir Tesar (Czech Republic)
- Mihai Voiculescu (Romania)

The on-line voting procedure for the election of these three new members was open from May 16, 2011 until June 16, 2011. All eligible voters received a personalized letter by post with the precise instructions on how to vote.

In Prague only the members who have not already voted will be able to cast their vote, but only the paper ballot will be available - this is also due to the extreme security measures in place for these elections.

The voting station, next to the ERA-EDTA Membership Office, in the Registration Area will be open from 07:00 to 18:00 on June 23, 2011 (Thursday), from 7:00 to 19:00 on June 24 and June 25, 2011 (Friday and Saturday), and also before the start of the General Assembly on June 26, 2011 (Sunday) starting at 7:00 up to 10.00.

A valid identification document (i.e. passport or national identity card) of the Full member who wishes to vote must be personally shown in order to vote. Vote by proxy is NOT possible.

Full members can also vote immediately before the start of the ERA-EDTA General Assembly.

ERA-EDTA COUNCIL EX-OFFICIO OFFICERS

This year the three ERA-EDTA Officers who were elected that the 2010 ERA-EDTA General Assembly, will be taking office since the current officers are finishing their term:

- Raymond Vanholder (Belgium) will be taking the role as President instead of Prof. Gérard London (France);
- Andrzej Wiecek (Poland) will be substituting Prof. Adrian C. Covic (Romania) as Secretary-Treasurer;
- Carmine Zoccali (Italy) instead will be the new NDT Editor-in-Chief, instead of Prof. Norbert Lameire (Belgium).



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ERA-EDTA is contributing to the continual education of doctors with the following activities:

- NDT (Nephrology Dialysis Transplantation) currently the leading nephrology journal in Europe. Together with the bimonthly NDT Plus it is available by subscription and is given for free to all members. Moreover ERA-EDTA is providing free subscriptions to over 1,200 institutions and libraries in developing countries worldwide.
- Annual congresses to divulge the latest scientific and clinical findings.
- Courses for the continuing education of doctors on very specific topics.
- NDT-Educational – an educational website featuring case studies, presentations from congresses, literature review and other tools that are made available for free.
- Short-Term Fellowships to enable young doctors to spend some time in institutions of other countries than their own, to learn advanced medical procedures and techniques.

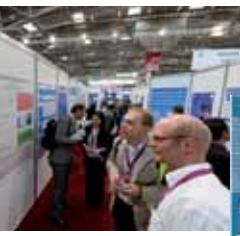


For the development of medical research ERA-EDTA is providing:



- A European Registry that collects and processes data from several countries, obtaining significant epidemiological and statistical data about kidney diseases and their treatments.
- Financial and scientific support to a European Registry of Paediatric Nephrology, in cooperation with ESPN.
- A research in the quality and effectiveness of treatments that nephrology patients receive in various European countries (QUEST).

- Financial support to collaborative clinical trials.
- Financial support to translational research projects.
- Working Groups to promote the collaboration between different medical specialities, such as Nephrology and Cardiology, Nephrology and Immunology.
- One-Year and Two-Years Fellowships to enable young researchers to carry out projects in institutions in other countries than their own.



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