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“**Medical Hydrology and Balneology:
Environmental Aspects**”

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OPENING of ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

on THE WEBSITE : NOVEMBER 2011



Message of the Congress President

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

On behalf of the Organizing and Scientific Committees, Congress Sponsors and Executive Secretariat, we would like to extend a warm welcome to Spain for our 38th Int'l congress.

For the participants of Spanish medical hydrology and balneology, 2012 is a very special year. We are celebrating the 100th anniversary of the Chair of Medical Hydrology of the School of Medicine at the Complutense University of Madrid, as well as the 135th anniversary of the creation of the Spanish Society of Medical Hydrology.

Just thirty minutes from Granada, with its UNESCO declared World Heritage monuments since 1984 and where part of the social program was developed, is Lanjarón "*land of healthy fountains*", the venue of the congress. This historic thermal station, one of the most important in Spain, has lent its services since 1765 and is situated in privileged surroundings such as "The Sierra Nevada National Park", declared Biosphere Reserve by UNESCO. It is an example of respect for the environment that makes possible the long-term development of generating wealth.

We are sure your presence and active participation will help to guarantee the success of the endeavour, as this is a unique opportunity to meet and share knowledge with colleagues from all over the world.

Yours very sincerely,

Prof. Dr. FRANCISCO MARAVER, Chairperson



Message of the ISMH President

Dear ISMH Members and Colleagues

I am delighted to announce that 38th World Congress of ISMH, the international scientific meeting of medical hydrology balneology and climatology will be taken place in Lanjarón-Granada Spain, 20-23 June 2012. This will be again the only biennial global gathering of the prominent scientists and medical professionals from the medical and related sectors of balneology and representatives of organizations and institutions based on the domains of medical hydrology and climatology. I think you all will agree that being a unique traditional spa town Lanjarón is the perfect choice for ISMH Congress venue and Spain being a traditional scientific balneological country is the right place.

The motto of the congress, «Medical Hydrology and Balneology: Environmental Aspects» reflects the importance of the preservation of the natural balneotherapeutic factors; water, mud and climate in general and the “healing environment” of the traditional spa resorts in particular. Of course the main topics of the congress will cover all aspects of our common field and will be comprehensively presented as the up-to-date lectures by the invited expert speakers. Nevertheless submitted communications from a diversity of research agenda from all over world will be highly appreciated.

As our host Spanish colleagues and Professor Maraver, the president of the congress, I am really excited about our traditional meeting; the 38th one and already looking forward to meeting you all in June 2012 in Lanjarón-Granada.

Prof. Dr. MÜFIT ZEKI KARAGÜLLE, ISMH President

GENERAL INFORMATIONS

VENUE OF THE CONGRESS: Lanjarón - Granada (Spain)

Hotel Balneario de Lanjarón

WEATHER

At the end of June the weather is usually very fine and hot in Lanjarón (Granada).

TRANSPORT

There are a few international connections to Granada, but it is easier to connect via Madrid or Barcelona. Flying to Malaga is another option, although it is an hour and a half away by bus from Granada (about 10 euro). Federico García Lorca Granada-Jaén airport is 18 km away from Granada's city centre and 65 km from Lanjarón.

The organization will supply bus transfer from the airport to Lanjarón.

ACCOMMODATION

The Technical Secretariat will activate a hotel reservation system on the Congress website to help you manage your accommodation needs with a good level of comfort and price

VISAS

The UE citizens need a valid identity card or passport. Citizens from other countries must check if a visa is needed to enter Spain.

LETTER of SCIENTIFIC INVITATION

A letter of scientific invitation can be provided on request to the Congress organizing committee: email info@ISMH2012.com. However, this letter will not be a guest invitation with fees, accommodation and transports paid.

CONTINUOUS MEDICAL EDUCATION

The Congress will provide CME credits.

INSCRIPTIONS

INSCRIPTION FEES	UNTIL TO MARCH 31 st 2012	AFTER MARCH 31 st 2012	ON SITE
DELEGATES ISMH Members	350 €	450 €	500 €
DELEGATES non ISMH Members	400 €	450 €	500 €
RESIDENTS	200 €	250 €	300 €
ACCOMPANYING PERSONS	150 €	165 €	175 €

Registrations can be made on-line at the Congress website or by sending the duly completed registration form to the Technical Secretariat by fax, post or e-mail together with the payment receipt or the authorization slip for payment by credit card.

IMPORTANT: No registration will be formalized until payment is received.

Address of the organising committee

Fase 20 Congresos

C/ Camino de Ronda 42

18004 GRANADA – España

Registration includes

- DELEGATES and RESIDENTS: opening ceremony, scientific sessions, coffee breaks, visit to the Alhambra, gala dinner, closing ceremony, scientific documents.
- ACCOMPANYING PERSONS: opening ceremony, visit to Alhambra, gala dinner.

Cancellation

Should you cancel your participation to the Congress

- before 15th April 2010, you will be refunded up to 90% of the inscription fees
- before 1st June 2010, you will be refunded up to 70% of the inscription fees
- after 1st June 2010, you will not be refunded

SOCIAL PROGRAMME

Wednesday June 20, 2012: Opening ceremony, 8 pm

Thursday June 21, 2012: Night visit to the Alhambra - Granada

Friday June 22, 2012: Gala dinner, 9 pm

SCIENTIFIC INFORMATION

TOPICS

- *Biology (biochemistry, microbiology, physics, physiology, ...)*
- *Geology*
- *Health benefit of thermo-mineral balneological modalities (rheumatology, dermatology, respiratory and ENT, metabolism, digestive tract, urinary tract, obesity, vascular diseases, neurology, psychiatry, chronic fatigue, fibromyalgia, children, gynaecology, mouth conditions, ...),*
- *New trends : exercise, education, ageing, rehabilitation, prevention, public health,...*
- *Balneology and the ICF concept*
- *Mud Therapy*
- *Climatherapy*
- *Thalassotherapy*
- *Practices and techniques in balneology*
- *Safety (resources, products, treatments, patients, ...)*
- *Drug consumption and balneology*
- *Drinking mineral water*
- *Dermo-cosmetological issues*
- *Methodology of scientific investigation,*
- *Medical Hydrology Teaching (initial and continuous medical education)*
- *Managing the quality*
- *Economics*
- *Miscellaneous, ...*

LANGUAGE

The language of the Congress is English. All the informative documents, inscription documents, abstracts submitted, text of the presentations and posters will be in English.

ABSTRACTS SUBMISSION

DEADLINE for abstract SUBMISSION: 15th February 2012

All the abstracts will have to be submitted online on the congress website (November 2011). Once the abstract successfully submitted, the main author will receive a confirmation email. The decision of the scientific committee will be communicated to the main author on 15th April 2012.

SCIENTIFIC CONTRIBUTIONS

The selected papers will be presented as key-note lectures, oral communications, posters communications according to the demand of the authors and to the final decision of the scientific committee. The main author will have to get an inscription to the congress for full acceptance of the presentation.

The authors will be informed of the decision of the committee and of the schedule of their presentation.

WORKSHOPS

Workshops will be organised on the demand of the scientific committee, proposition of delegates and proposition of partners. The workshop will be 1.30 long and will be conducted by two experienced delegates. The attendees of the workshop will receive a certificate of attendance. Inscription to the workshop is compulsory and is free of charge.

GENERAL SCHEDULE

WEDNESDAY 20rd JUNE 2012

8 pm to 10 pm : Opening Ceremony

THURSDAY 21th JUNE 2012

8 am : registration

9.30 am to 2 pm : scientific sessions

2 pm to 4 pm : lunch break on site

4 pm to 7 pm : scientific sessions

Night visit to the Alhambra-Granada

FRIDAY 22th JUNE 2012

8 am : registration

9 am to 2 pm : scientific sessions

2 pm to 4 pm : lunch break on site

4 pm to 8 pm : scientific sessions

9 pm : Gala Dinner

SATURDAY 23th JUNE 2012

8 am : registration

9 am to 11.30 am : scientific session

11.30 am to 12.30 am : ISMH general assembly

12.30 am to 13: closure ceremony and presentation of the next Congress (Japan)

1 pm : end of the Congress