Who Should Attend the Congress?

The International Psychogeriatric Association (IPA), founded in 1982, is a unique and diverse professional healthcare association promoting better geriatric mental health. The IPA International Congress is an annual event designed for everyone working within the mental health field for older people, including: Psychiatrists, Neurologists, Geriatricians, Psychologists, Primary Care Physicians, Nurses, Occupational Therapists, Social Workers, Scientists, and other Psychogeriatric healthcare professionals.

Host City, Seoul

As one of the world’s most fascinating cities, Seoul has been the center of politics, culture, commerce and finance in Korea. Seoul is also a historical city, the ancient capital of the Joseon Dynasty, with many tourist attractions, including old palaces and gardens. In Seoul, the past and the present meet together and coexist in harmony. You will be able to enjoy both the flavor of the traditional Korean culture and the excitement of a sprawling metropolitan city.

Venue: Coex

IPA 2013 will be held at COEX, the prominent landmark in Seoul. The IPA 2013 organizing committee is convinced that participants will be able to have a unique experience with the world class facilities. In addition, COEX Mall, Asia’s largest underground mall, is the cultural, entertainment, shopping and culinary center of Asia. The COEX Mall is home to the COEX Aquarium, a multi-complex movie theater, museums, bookstores, fashion boutiques and about 100 international restaurants.
Invitation

Dear Colleagues,

It gives me immense pleasure to host the 16th IPA International Congress (IPA 2013) in Seoul, Korea from October 1st to 4th, 2013. On behalf of the IPA 2013 organizing committee, I extend a very warm and cordial invitation to all of you.

IPA has held International Congresses since it was founded in 1982. As the most highly acclaimed meeting in the field of the mental health and aging for old people, IPA 2013 is expected to draw over 1,000 participants from around the world.

Under the theme “Towards Successful Aging: Harmony of Mental, Physical and Social Life,” a wide range of scientific programs will be organized. Advances in the treatment of dementia, depression and other mental disorders in the elderly and the improvement of quality of care will be discussed and explored in a diverse, multidisciplinary and open forum. We are assembling internationally renowned groups of scientists and clinicians (all experts in their field) to contribute to the core program while also providing opportunities for bright, promising young researchers to present their data and new ideas. The program will be comprehensive, stimulating, and informative.

IPA 2013 will be a highly rewarding international experience for everyone. Additionally, I encourage you to take this chance to explore the many facets of Seoul and experience our unique Korean culture.

I look forward to meeting you at IPA 2013 in Seoul, Korea.

Prof. Han-Yong Jung
Chair
16th Congress of International Psychogeriatric Association

Important Deadlines

- Submitted Symposium: January 31, 2013
- Abstract Submission: March 31, 2013
- Junior Research Award Submission: May 6, 2013
- Early Registration: August 7, 2013

Call for Submitted Symposia

The 2013 Congress in Seoul will mark IPA’s 16th congress. Under the Congress theme, “Towards Successful Aging: Harmony of Mental, Physical and Social Life,” the IPA 2013 Scientific Committee will organize various programs balancing a number of topics covering mental health of older people. We cordially invite proposals for symposia. These submitted symposia will be a cornerstone of the whole scientific program. The online submission is now open and the deadline is January 31, 2013.

Proposals, only in English, must be submitted online at www.ipa2013.com. When you submit your proposal, you are directed to choose the appropriate topic categories for your submitted symposium. Each symposium should have three to four speakers for a total of 90 minutes. It is the responsibility of the organizers to select the speakers for the successful symposium. For more information, please visit the website.

Call for Abstract

The Scientific Committee cordially invites all of you to submit abstracts for free communication and poster presentations. All abstracts will be reviewed by the scientific committee and assigned to the appropriate session for free communication or poster presentations. All presenting authors of accepted abstracts are expected to attend the congress and are required to register and pay the registration fee before the registration deadline. The online submission will be open from December, 2012.

* Accepted abstracts will be published in a supplement issue of International Psychogeriatrics, IPA’s official journal, and will be distributed to all delegates attending the Congress.

IPA Junior Research Awards

The IPA Research Award is an example of IPA’s commitment to presenting groundbreaking work to its members and encouraging new leaders. This award was created to encourage, recognize, and reward the best original, unpublished research in the field of Psychogeriatrics. Recipients present their findings at the Congress and publish them in a future issue of IPA’s official journal, International Psychogeriatrics. IPA encourages our junior colleagues to take part in this special program. For more information, please visit the IPA website at www.ipa-online.org or email IPA at researchawards@ipa-online.org.

International Psychogeriatric Association

Representing more than 66 countries around the world, the International Psychogeriatric Association (IPA) is a unique and diverse professional healthcare community promoting better geriatric mental health - across disciplines, across borders, and across geriatric issues. Psychiatrists, Scientists, Neurologists, Geriatricians, Primary Care Physicians, Epidemiologists, Nurses, Psychologists, Occupational Therapists, Social Workers, and many other healthcare professionals come to the IPA community from all over the world to discuss, learn, share, and research information about behavioral and biological aspects of geriatric mental health.