Welcome to the ISE Summer Newsletter

As another year flies by we’d like to take an opportunity to update your society with some of the latest activities of the International Society of Endocrinology.

**ICE 2012 Florence, Italy**

**5-9th May 2012**

ISE have partnered with the European Society of Endocrinology (ESE) to host the joint 15th International Congress of Endocrinology and 14th European Congress of Endocrinology in the beautiful city of Florence, Italy.

The unconventional venue of the Fortezza da Basso (one of Florence’s most important monuments from the Medici era) coupled with the rich and diverse content with a global perspective will make for a fascinating congress!

**Save the Dates...**

- **AFES 2011**
  - ISE are proud to support its Members in the 16th Congress of ASEAN Federation of Endocrine Societies, in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam from 17 to 20 November 2011.

- **ICE 2012**
  - Florence, Italy
  - 5-9th May 2012

- **ICE 2014**
  - Chicago, USA
  - 21-24 June 2014

- **ICE 2016**
  - Beijing, China
  - 21-25, October 2016

**15th INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF ENDOCRINOLOGY**

**ICE 2012**
5-9 May 2012
FLORENCE, ITALY

**14th EUROPEAN CONGRESS OF ENDOCRINOLOGY**

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Is your Society part of a Social Network?
Connect with the ISE to share updates and news from around the world...
ICE is Beijing Bound...

We are excited to announce that the 17th International Congress of Endocrinology (ICE 2016) will be hosted by the Chinese Endocrine Society (CSE) in Beijing, China. The congress will take place at the China International Conference Centre (CNCC) on 21-25 October 2016.

This will be the first ICE meeting to take place in Mainland China and we would like to congratulate the Chinese Endocrine Society on their winning bid. We are already looking forward to a colourful and creative congress in Asia!

China International Conference Centre (CNCC)

As a dynamic international metropolitan, Beijing is known for its ancient history, splendid culture and advanced infrastructure. Beijing will offer participants of ICE 2016 an educational and unforgettable travel experience.

New Members: Syria

We are delighted to introduce a new member to the ISE family. The Syrian Endocrine Society (SES) was founded in 1997 as a professional medical society under the Syrian Medical Syndicate. The Headquarters for the SES is based in Damascus and its activities cover all the Syrian Arab Republic and involve a large number of endocrinologists and internists with interest in diabetes and endocrine disorders.

The society has organized and collaborated on multiple conferences and scientific symposia including the annual SES meetings. "Alam Al Ghodad" is the official publication of the Society and is also the only Arabic language endocrinology journal.
16th AFES Conference 2011
Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam

A key activity of the ISE is to foster the globalisation and inter-regional development of its National Member meetings. This year we are working with our Regional partners, the ASEAN Federation of Societies (AFES) in support of their biennial congress.

AFES are a highly active organization in the ASIA/OCEANIA region consisting of the following ISE Member Societies:

- Indonesian Society of Endocrinology
- Malaysian Endocrine and Metabolic Society
- Philippine Society of Endocrinology and Metabolism
- The Endocrine and Metabolic Society of Singapore
- The Endocrine Society of Thailand
- Vietnamese Association of Diabetes and Endocrinology

Continuing on from the success of the preceding conferences in Bangkok and Kuala Lumpur, this year the Vietnamese Association of Diabetes and Endocrinology will play host to the AFES conference in Ho Chi Minh City (Saigon) in Vietnam from 17 to 20 November 2011.

AFES 2011 “Translating Endocrinology Research into Clinical Care”

In support of this important meeting ISE will be providing Sponsored Symposia and Plenary Sessions from highly esteemed international figureheads in Endocrinology. The sessions will present important innovations and cutting-edge research from around the globe.

AFES 2011 promises to be a fantastic Conference of outstanding science set in the uniquely beautiful Vietnam. Registration is now open.

Endorsement & Support of Events

ISE is pleased to give thoughtful consideration to all applications for endorsement or support of Member Events and Meetings.

As an international organization and in the interest of fairness we employ a regional rotation policy when selecting meetings to support each year.

Inline with our global mission, priority will be given to activities throughout the developing world and specifically in countries and regions most in need of support. Visit the events page of the ISE website for more information and to download the full policy and members application form.
ISE Travel Grants for Members

ISE award up to up to 100 fellowship support grants to bring young endocrinologists from all over the world to ICE meetings.

Preference will be given to young endocrinologists and/or endocrinologists from developing countries who have demonstrated effectiveness in endocrine research. Endocrinologists must be 35 years of age or under, with first authorship of a submitted abstract to ICE 2012. Submission of an abstract is a pre-requisite for all travel grant applications and abstract scores will be an important criterion in the award process.

Personal grants of US$1,500 for trainees outside Europe/Africa and US$1,000 for those within Europe/Africa, will be awarded exclusively to cover expenses such as travel to and from the conference site, conference registration fee, and/or housing costs. Those receiving travel grants will not be exempt from paying the registration fee, but will be invited to an ISE Fellows event at ICE 2012. Reimbursement will be made at the Florence meeting in US dollars.

In order to be considered for an ISE Travel Grant for ICE 2012 your members must comply with the above criteria and submit their application below no later than 6th January 2012. Members should visit www.isendo.org to apply.

ISE General Council Meeting

We look forward to welcoming your Society President (or designated deputy) to the ISE General Council Meeting at ICE 2012.

The meeting will include a report of the activities and finances of ISE since the last General Council meeting in Kyoto as well as a review of forthcoming plans. The meeting also provides an excellent opportunity to discuss national, regional and global issues with your piers.

The exact date, time and agenda for the meeting will be circulated in the near future.

ICE/ECE 2012

A word from the hosts

It is a very great pleasure to be hosting this prestigious joint meeting which will enable us to discuss the latest advances in endocrinology and will also provide an opportunity to meet and network with colleagues from across the globe.

Our joint programme this year promises to be challenging and stimulating as we consider key topics of interest and concern. Lectures and workshops will be presented by a group of distinguished international speakers who will cover a range of topical and relevant issues that affect us all from the laboratory to the clinic.

We hope you will join us in Florence for what promises to be a vibrant and significant joint congress.

Martin Reincke
Chair of the Programme Organising Committee ICE/ECE 2012

Gianni Forti
Chair of the Local Organising Committee ICE/ECE 2012

Philippe Bouchard
President of ESE

For more information: www.ice-ece2012.com
A Global Emergency

Non-Communicable Diseases (NCDs), which include diabetes, cardiovascular disease, cancer and chronic respiratory disease and the preventable causes of tobacco use, unhealthy diet, physical inactivity and alcohol consumption, cause 60% of all deaths globally, 80% of which are in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs).

According to UN Secretary General Ban Ki-Moon, “Cancer, diabetes, and heart diseases are no longer the diseases of the wealthy. Today, they hamper the people and the economies of the poorest populations even more than infectious diseases. This represents a public health emergency in slow motion.” NCDs are a major cause of poverty, a barrier to economic development, and a neglected global emergency.

The UN General Assembly, the principal decision-making body of the UN which represent all UN member states, has decided to hold a UN Summit on NCDs in order to bring global attention to these diseases (which include key endocrine disorders) and agree on a plan of action to address them.

The NCD Summit will take place 19-20 September 2011 in New York and aims to raise the profile of NCDs on the global stage, mobilize the international community to take action, secure the commitment of Heads of State to lead the cross-government effort necessary to reverse the epidemic, and send a clear message to donors and funders.

The HIV/AIDS Special Session held in 2001 resulted in a Heads of State Declaration of Commitment that paved the way for an urgent international response. It also led to the creation of the Global Fund for HIV/AIDS, TB and Malaria, which has raised nearly US $10 billion in development funding for low- and middle-income countries (LMCs).

Join the NCD Alliance Common Interest Group

The NCD Alliance Common Interest Group (CIG) has been established to create a powerful network group of like minded civil society* organizations who wish to work together to achieve the NCD Alliance six key objectives:

1. NCD/disease national plans for all
2. Improved lifestyles
3. Strengthened health systems
4. Global access to affordable & good quality medicine
5. A tobacco free world
6. Human rights for people with NCDs

CIG members receive the latest updates and news on global NCD advocacy and the UN Summit. CIG members are also invited to join monthly webinars featuring guest speakers and members of the NCD Alliance. The webinars present an opportunity for CIG members to ask questions and share comments, as well as receive the latest news and perspectives on the global fight against NCDs.

We would like to encourage your Society to join the alliance by sending a request to info@ncdalliance.org including contact details and background information on your organisation.
A note from the Secretary General

We have had a fruitful year so far implementing new initiatives and building partnerships to further improve our ability to develop and promote Endocrinology globally. Our relationships with National Member Societies play a vital role in achieving our goals and objectives and we would like to thank all Members for their valuable input and encourage greater interaction with ISE to raise their profile on a regional and global level.

Does your Society have a profile page at www.isendo.org?
As a member of ISE your society may have its own dedicated profile page on the ISE website. The page includes a description of your society, latest news and contact details – a unique way to promote your society and its activities on a global scale: www.isendo.org/members.html

Is your society up to date with its Membership dues?
If your society is yet to pay its dues for this year you will be receiving an electronic reminder shortly with details of how to pay via cheque, bank transfer or now online. Please note that ISE activities rely heavily on its subscription base and unfortunately Members will not be entitled to benefits including nomination or voting rights if dues are outstanding. Please also advise us if there are any changes to the President, Secretary or administrative base of your Society. This assists us greatly in keeping you and our records updated.

Finally, the Executive Office are always happy to receive comments/feedback from any of its membership. Feel free to contact us at any time via hannah@endosociety.com. We hope to see you in Florence!

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