

First Announcement

XXIII World Allergy Congress

14–17 October 2015
Seoul, Korea

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Invitation to Participate

Dear Colleagues,

We are pleased to share with you the First Announcement of the XXIII World Allergy Congress, the biennial Congress of the World Allergy Organization (WAO). WAO warmly invites you to gather in Seoul, Korea, 14 – 17 October 2015 to participate in this global scientific event on allergy, asthma and clinical immunology.

As a global alliance of national and regional allergy, asthma and clinical immunology societies, WAO is proud to partner with the Korean Academy of Asthma, Allergy and Clinical Immunology (KAAACI) and their mutual collaborating partner the Asia Pacific Association of Pediatric Allergy, Respiriology and Immunology (APAPARI) to host WAC 2015.

The WAO World Allergy Congress has grown and evolved from one edition to the next, and the meeting in Seoul will build on the hugely successful Congresses preceding it. Delegates may count on a stimulating and varied scientific program, highly relevant to both the theory and practice of allergy, asthma and clinical immunology.

Facilitating and enhancing the science being presented will be the bustling metropolis of Seoul, Korea. The Han River, ancient palaces and Royal Shrines of the Joseon Dynasty, fall foliage, and the exquisite spices and sauces of Korean cuisine will frame our experience as we learn and network, absorbing the culture of Seoul.

As with every World Allergy Congress, 2015 Seoul will provide a forum for the most useful combination of latest research, review of current theory and practice, and hands-on, problem-based learning. Our aim is that participants gain insight into the most effective advances in the treatment and prevention of allergic and immunologic diseases. Let us gather in Seoul, Korea, 14 – 17 October, 2015 and continue to expand the science and practice of allergy.

We look forward to seeing you in Seoul, Korea!



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About WAO

The World Allergy
Organization (WAO)

is an international alliance of 95 regional and national allergy, asthma and clinical immunology societies. Through collaboration with the Member Societies, WAO provides a wide range of educational and outreach programs, symposia and lectureships to allergists/immunologists around the globe and conducts initiatives relating to clinical practice, service provision, and physician training in order to better understand and address the challenges facing allergists/immunologists worldwide.



About KAAACI

The Korean Academy of Asthma,
Allergy and Clinical Immunology
(KAAACI) has been devoted to

improve the treatment of allergic diseases and promote the understanding of allergy, asthma and clinical immunology. For nearly 40 years, the KAAACI has also been an active advocate of clinical and basic research.



Collaborating Partner About APAPARI

The Asia Pacific Association of
Pediatric Allergy, Respiriology &
Immunology (APAPARI) is the professional medical
specialty organization representing pediatrician, allied
health professionals and other physicians in Asia-
Pacific region who have special interest in Allergy,
Clinical Immunology, and Respiriology.

Congress Information

Scientific Program to Include Education on:

- Angioedema: Differential diagnosis
- Asthma & co-morbid conditions
- Asthma phenotypes: Diagnosis & treatment
- Chronic cough
- Cost-effective treatment of chronic urticaria
- Diseases of the oropharynx
- Drug allergy
- Epinephrine and anaphylaxis
- Gastroenterologic manifestations of allergy
- Genetics & the immune response
- Immunizations recommended for COPD and asthma
- Immunologic lung diseases
- Innate immunity
- Ocular allergies
- Pediatric allergy & asthma
- Regulatory T cells
- Rhinitis & co-morbid conditions
- Subcutaneous allergen immunotherapy
- Sublingual allergen immunotherapy

New Horizon Sessions:

- Climate Change
- Immunotherapy & Newer Theories
- Food Allergy & Anaphylaxis
- Asthma

Session Types Offered:

- Allied Health Sessions
- Concurrent Symposia
- Pro/Con Debates
- Expert Interviews & Conversations
- Fellows-in-Training Sessions
- Hands-On Workshops
- Meet the Expert Sessions
- Sister (Member) Society Symposia
- Plenary Sessions
- Q&A Panel Sessions
- World Allergy Training School (WATS)

Key Reasons to Attend:

Be on the leading edge of medical education and learning!

- Attend state-of-the-art lectures by world experts on allergy, asthma and clinical immunology
- Participate in practical, clinic-friendly workshops on Immunotherapy, Food Allergy, Anaphylaxis, Skin Allergies, Drug Allergy, Asthma, Rhinitis, COPD, Sleep Disorders, and more
- Network with others in your field/areas of interest including: Asthma, Allergy, Immunology, Pediatrics, Pulmonology, Ophthalmology, Gastroenterology, Dermatology and ENT
- Showcase your own achievements to key international opinion leaders and interact with international and regional colleagues

Who Should Attend:

The Congress will be attended by delegates from all over the world. Delegates will be specialists, general practitioners, researchers, and other allied health professionals with interest in:

- Allergy
- Immunology
- Asthma
- Ophthalmology
- Dermatology
- Pediatrics
- ENT
- Pulmonology
- Gastroenterology
- Family Practice

Important Dates

15 February 2015	Registration and Abstract Submission Opens
31 May 2015	Early Registration Rate and Abstract Submission Deadline
13 July 2015	Late-Breaking Abstract Submission Deadline
31 August 2015	Regular Registration Rate Deadline
13 October 2015	On-site Registration Begins
14 – 17 October 2015	World Allergy Congress 2015

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About Seoul

Seoul has been the capital of Korea for about 600 years, since the time of the Joseon Dynasty. Seoul has developed into a bustling metropolis, acting as the hub for political, economic, social, and cultural matters. The Han River runs through the heart of the city. The river divides the city in two; the northern part of the city is a focal point for culture and history, while the southern part is well known for its business district. Seoul has hosted many international events including: 1986 Asian Games, 1988 Olympic Games and 2002 Korea/Japan FIFA World Cup. The success of these events has shown people that Korea is truly an international city. In Seoul you can find ancient palaces and Royal Shrines of the Joseon Dynasty, as well Seoul World Cup Stadium, 63 CITY building, Lotte World, Han River, Namsan, Bukhansan Mountain National Park, Daehangno, Insa-dong, Itaewon, Myeong-dong, Apgujeong, Namdaemun and Dongdaemun Markets.

Getting There Is Easy!

Seoul is one of the world's best-connected cities. With two international airports, Incheon International Airport and Gimpo International Airport, and an extensive airport-to-city transportation network, Seoul has all the resources to welcome large numbers of visitors from all over the world. Seoul is also the proud home to two major, award-winning international carriers, Korean Air and Asiana Airlines.

Venue

The main venue of the Congress will be the Coex Convention Center; located in the World Trade Center Complex in Gangnam District south of the Han River in Seoul

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