



Federation of the European Societies for Surgery of the Hand

• XI Congress • 28 - 30 June 2006 •
• Scottish Exhibition & Conference Centre, Glasgow, Scotland •

Provisional Programme & Call for Papers

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Congress Venue

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Congress Website

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Data Protection

Your name and address will be contained in the list of participants, available to all delegates and exhibitors. If you do not wish to have your name included, please indicate on the registration form.

We may be supplying names and addresses of participants to sponsors/exhibitors of the event to enable them to contact you with regard to their marketing objectives and/or satellite programme. If you do not wish to have your names included, please indicate on the registration form.



The Science Centre, opposite the SECC

Welcome



Peter Burge

Federation
of the European Societies
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We are delighted to invite you to participate in the **XIth Congress of the Federation of the European Societies for Surgery of the Hand** which will be held at the Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre on 28 - 30 June 2006. The British Society for Surgery of the Hand is proud to host this meeting in Glasgow, one of Europe's most vibrant and cosmopolitan cities. A friendly and safe city, where the people are proud of their heritage and delight in making visitors feel welcome, Glasgow is also widely recognised as one of the world's most exciting cultural capitals.

The XIth FESSH Congress will provide a unique opportunity for all those involved in hand surgery to learn of the latest developments in this rapidly expanding and changing field.

We are looking forward to a very successful Congress - one which reflects the organisers' strategy of mixing science with industry to create one integral event in which the needs of commercial companies as well as delegates are fully met.

I hope that you will consider supporting this prestigious and enjoyable Congress, and I look forward to seeing you in Glasgow next year.

Yours sincerely

Peter Burge
Chairman, Organising Committee



Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum

General Information

The XI FESSH Congress will be held in Glasgow from 28 - 30 June 2006.

Certificate of Attendance

An official Certificate of Attendance will be provided for all registered delegates.

CPD

A total number of 14½ credits will be available from The Royal College of Surgeons towards your CPD.

Commercial Exhibition

The Congress will contain a commercial exhibition. For further information concerning the exhibition please contact:

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Insurance

The registration fees do not include the insurance of participants against personal accidents, sickness, cancellation by any party, theft, loss or damage to personal possessions. Participants are advised to take out adequate personal insurance to cover travel, accommodation, cancellation and personal effects.

Italian Delegates

Please note that Italian organisations wishing to sponsor the participation of Italian doctors should present their applications through our official agency, who will forward them to the Italian Health Ministry. Our agent's details are as follows:

IPCAA-Italia
C/o Dr ssa Annalisa Ramozzotti
Via D Niccodemi 14
I-20052 Monza (MI)
Italy

Language

The language of the Congress is English.

Letters of Invitation

Delegates requiring a letter of invitation to attend the congress should write to the Congress Organisers. Please note that a letter of invitation will be provided to assist delegates in obtaining a visa or permission to attend the Congress and should not be considered as an official invitation covering fees and other expenses.

Passports & Visas

A valid passport is required for entry into the United Kingdom. Please contact the British Consulate nearest to you for specific details and visa requirements.

Transportation

Glasgow is easily reached from all parts of the UK with excellent road links and frequent trains. Scotland's major airport is just 15 minutes drive from the City Centre with frequent domestic services to London and other UK destinations. For those travelling from further afield there are direct, scheduled flights to over 30 international destinations in Europe, North America and beyond.

Venue

The venue for this Congress is located on the banks of the River Clyde in the heart of Scotland's largest city, Glasgow, which is one of Europe's most exciting cultural capitals. Situated alongside the major motorway network, it is less than 20 minutes from the international airport, which has a regular bus service into the city centre. The SECC also has its own railway station and therefore is easily accessed from around the country.

Website

The Congress website will be regularly updated with information on the Congress. The website can be found at www.fessh2006.co.uk



Scientific Programme

Tuesday 27 June

17:30	Opening Ceremony at Scottish Exhibition Centre
18:30	Welcome Reception at Glasgow Science Centre

Wednesday 28 June

	Lomond Auditorium	Aish Room	Boisdale Room	Carron Room	Dochart Room
08:30	Instructional Course	Free Papers	Symposium	Committee Meetings	Free Papers and Industry Satellites
10:00	Coffee Break, Exhibition & Posters				
10:30	Instructional Course	Free Papers	Free Papers		
12:00	Lunch, Exhibition & Posters				
13:30	Free Papers	Free Papers	Controversy		
15:00	Tea Break, Exhibition & Posters				
15:30 - 17:00	Free Papers		Round Table		

Thursday 29 June

08:30	Instructional Course	Free Papers	Symposium	Committee Meetings	Free Papers and Industry Satellites
10:00	Coffee Break, Exhibition & Posters				
10:30	Instructional Course	Free Papers	Free Papers		
12:00	Lunch, Exhibition & Posters				
13:30	Free Papers	Free Papers	Workshop		
15:00	Tea Break, Exhibition & Posters				
15:30	General Assembly				
16:00 - 17:00	Free Papers	Free Papers	Round Table		
19:30	Congress Dinner at Glasgow Thistle Hotel				

Friday 30 June

08:30	Symposium	Free Papers			
10:00	Coffee Break & Exhibition				
10:30	Symposium	Free Papers			
12:00	Closing Ceremony				

Instructional Course An Instructional Course on Rheumatoid Arthritis will be held on the mornings of 28 and 29 June

Submission of Abstracts

Critical Dates

8 December 2005	Closing date for submission of papers
17 February 2006	Confirmation of accepted abstracts
5 April 2006	End of early registration fees
28 - 30 June 2006	XI FESSH Congress

Submission of Abstracts

Your abstract must reach the Congress Organisers on or before Thursday, 8 December 2005. Please note that abstracts can be submitted for consideration as either oral or poster presentation.

Instructions for Submission of Abstracts

The preferred option to submit your abstract is via the website. Please visit the Congress website www.fessh2006.co.uk, where you will be guided through the on-line submission process. If you do not have access to the website, please contact the Congress Organisers.

Confirmation of Receipt of Abstracts

If requested, you will be automatically sent an acknowledgement via email to confirm that your abstract has been received. If you do not receive this confirmation within 24 hours of requesting it then please contact the Congress Organisers immediately.

Evaluation

All abstracts will be evaluated by the Scientific Committee.

Notification of Accepted Abstracts

Authors will be informed of the decision of the Scientific Committee at the address given for correspondence by 17 February 2006, and its decision is final. At that time you will be given full details of your presentation.

Please note that all presenters of accepted abstracts will be expected to register for the Congress at the appropriate rate. If the presenter does not register by 5 April 2006 then the abstract will not be printed in the Abstract Book. A registration form is enclosed with this document.

Amendments

Please check your abstract submission carefully, as you will not be able to make any amendments. Please pay particular attention to any co-authors, institutions and countries.

DO NOT RE-SUBMIT YOUR ABSTRACT ON LINE.

Falkirk Wheel turning with two barges on board



Registration

How to Register:

On-line

Register on-line at the Congress website www.fessh2006.co.uk. This is a secure server website

Post or Fax

Complete the enclosed registration form and return it, along with payment, to the Congress Organisers. Please complete one registration form per participant (including any accompanying persons on your form). Please photocopy the form if you require additional copies, or download the form from the congress web site www.fessh2006.co.uk.

Registration Fees

	On or before 5 April 2006	6 April - 23 June 2006
Member Registration	£395.00	£450.00
Non-Member Registration	£440.00	£495.00
Trainee *	£250.00	£300.00
Accompanying Person Registration	£85.00	£100.00

Delegates registering on or after 24 June 2006 will be charged the on-site rates. The on-site rates are £520.00 for members and £550.00 for non-members.

Registration fees include:

- attendance at all scientific sessions
- all Congress documentation
- opening ceremony and welcome reception
- light lunch on Wednesday, Thursday & Friday
- teas/coffees
- VAT @ 17.5%

The accompanying persons' registration fee includes:

- welcome reception
- half day tour of Glasgow
- coffee on tour departure
- tote bag
- VAT @ 17.5%

* Please note that there are a limited number of trainee places available and these will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. In order to qualify for the trainee fee you must submit a letter from your employer confirming your trainee status. You will find a template for this purpose when you register on-line.

Payment

Payment should be made in advance of the Congress by one of the following methods:

1. MasterCard/Visa. Please note that all fees paid by credit card will be charged at the actual exchange rate at the time of the transaction. No other credit cards can be accepted.
2. Cheque or banker's draft, in pounds sterling only, drawn on a UK bank made payable to 'Concorde Services/FESSH 2006'

Cancellation

Notification of cancellations must be sent, in writing, to the Congress Organisers. Cancellations will be accepted until Wednesday, 5 April 2006 with a refund of all fees except for an administration fee of 25%. No refunds can be made for cancellations received on or after Thursday, 6 April 2006. Substitutions of attendees can be made at any time.

Confirmations and Further Instructions

Confirmation of registration will be sent to delegates whose payment has been received. In addition, further instructions will be sent out in May 2006, by email, to assist you with your visit to Glasgow. Please ensure you submit your email address when registering.

Data Protection

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Disclaimer

All best endeavours will be made to present the programme as printed. However, the Congress organisers and its agents reserve the right to alter or cancel, without prior notice, any arrangements, timetables, plans or other items relating directly or indirectly to the Congress, for any cause beyond its reasonable control. The Congress organisers and its agents are not liable for any loss or inconvenience caused as a result of such alteration. In the event of cancellation of the Congress all pre-paid fees will be refunded in full. However, the Congress organisers and its agents are not liable for any loss or inconvenience caused as a result of such cancellation. Delegates are advised to take out their own travel insurance and to extend their policy to cover personal possessions as the Congress does not cover individuals against cancellation of bookings or theft or damage to belongings. Tours may be subject to cancellation should minimum numbers not be achieved.

Accommodation

Accommodation has been reserved in various price categories throughout Glasgow at preferential rates per room per night. Rooms will be offered on a 'first come-first served basis'.

Hotel Category	Single Room	Double/Twin	Deposit Required
Category A	£109.00 - £120.00	£119.00 - £130.00	£130.00
Category B	£75.00 - £85.00	£80.00 - £95.00	£95.00

All rates will be confirmed on your accommodation acknowledgement and will be inclusive of VAT at the current rate of 17.5%, service charge and full Scottish breakfast, unless otherwise stated.

Reservations

Reservations should be made on the official Registration Form and must be secured by either a sterling cheque drawn on a UK bank or payment by credit card for the deposit. Please note that bank charges are the responsibility of the payee. Reservations must be received by Wednesday, 5 April 2006, thereafter accommodation will be subject to availability.

Concorde Services will endeavour to meet all accommodation requests. However, should your preferred hotel choice be unavailable, we reserve the right to make your booking at the nearest available alternative.

Your reservation will be confirmed when Concorde Services/FESSH 2006 has received your required deposit. The pre-paid deposit will be deducted from your hotel bill when checking out. The remaining amount should be settled directly with the hotel on departure.

Cancellations, Amendments and Substitutions

Cancellations must be received in writing to Concorde Services Ltd before Wednesday, 5 April 2006. Prior to this date deposits will be refunded less a £50 administration charge. After 5 April 2006 deposits are non-refundable. However, substitution of attendees may be made at any time as long as prior notice in writing is received.

In the event of non-arrival the hotel will release the reservation by 0900 hours the following day and the deposit is non-refundable. In case of late cancellation, after 17 May 2006, or no shows, the hotel reserves the right to charge the full stay if they are unable to re-sell the room.

		Cost per night	
		Single	Double/ Twin
Category A - Deposit £130.00			
Glasgow Moothouse	Modern hotel located on the banks of the River Clyde. The hotel has leisure facilities and is linked to the SECC by covered walkway.	£120.00	£130.00
Glasgow Hilton	5 star international hotel located 5 minutes from the SECC. Facilities include 24 hour room service and a luxury health club.	£115.00	£125.00
Menzies Hotel	Modern hotel located 5 minutes from the SECC. Facilities include 24 hrs room service and luxury health club	£115.00	£125.00
City Inn	Stylish, contemporary hotel on the banks of the River Clyde. The hotel is a 2 minute walk to the SECC.	£109.00	£119.00
Category B - Deposit £95.00			
Corus	Recently refurbished hotel in the city centre. The hotel is 5 minutes from the SECC.	£85.00	£95.00
Jurys Inn Glasgow	Recently opened 3 star superior hotel close to Central Station. The hotel is 5 minutes from the SECC	£85.00	£95.00
Campanile	Recently opened modern hotel. The hotel is a 2 minute walk to the SECC	£75.00	£80.00

* Travel times are by taxi unless otherwise stated.

Social & Tours Programme

Day/Date	Inclusive or Optional	Social Event	Tour Programme	Time
Tuesday 27 June	Included in the registration fee of delegates and accompanying persons	Opening Ceremony		17:30 - 18:30
Tuesday 27 June	Included in the registration fee of delegates and accompanying persons	Welcome Reception		18:30 - 20:00
Wednesday 28 June	Included in Accompanying Person fee		Glasgow City Tour	09.30 - 12.30
Thursday 29 June	Optional £45.00 inc VAT		Edinburgh City Tour	09.30 - 17.30
	Optional £60.00 inc VAT	Gala Dinner & Ceilidh		19.30 - 23.30
Friday 30 June	Optional £33.00 inc VAT		Glengoyne Distillery & Loch Lomond	09.30 - 12.30

Opening Ceremony

Tuesday, 27 June

17:30 - 18:30

The Opening Ceremony will take place at the Scottish Exhibition & Conference Centre.

Included in registration fee

Welcome Reception

Tuesday, 27 June

18.30 - 20.00

The Welcome Reception will be held immediately after the Opening Ceremony at the Glasgow Science Centre which is located on the banks of the River Clyde opposite the SECC. The evening will allow delegates to relax and socialise, renewing old friendships and making new ones. Wine and canapés will be served.

Included in registration fee

Gala Dinner & Ceilidh

Thursday, 29 June

19.30 - 23.30

The Congress Gala Ceilidh will be held in true Scottish style at the Glasgow Thistle Hotel. The evening will begin with a drinks reception then a traditional Scottish dinner (including haggis, neeps and tatties for the adventurous) will be served. Following dinner, there will be an opportunity for guests to take part in that most traditional form of entertainment, the Ceilidh. Ceilidh is a Gaelic word meaning "an informal gathering for conversation, music, dancing and songs", and it is hoped that everyone will join in the spirit of the evening - listening, watching and taking part in both music and dance.

Price: £60.00 per person inc VAT

Optional Tours

Edinburgh City Tour

Thursday, 27 June

09.30 - 17.30

A full day tour, which will travel to Edinburgh past historic Linlithgow, where we can see over to Linlithgow Palace, the birthplace of Mary Queen of Scots. On arrival in Edinburgh we will have a panoramic tour of the sweeping Georgian terraces and crescents of the New Town, followed by an interior visit to Edinburgh Castle. After the castle there will be some free time to have lunch and do some independent sightseeing and/or shopping before heading back to Glasgow.

Price: £45.00 (exclusive of lunch)



Glengoyne Distillery & Loch Lomond

Friday, 30 June

09.30 - 12.30



A morning tour to the Loch Lomond area; the coach will depart from Glasgow and head toward the Campsie Hills to the Glengoyne Distillery for a tour and explanation of how Scotland's national drink is produced. After a whisky sampling, the tour will stop at Loch Lomond Shores to enjoy the panoramic views of Loch Lomond and Ben Lomond before returning to Glasgow.

Price: £33.00

Inclusive Tour

Glasgow City Tour

Wednesday, 28 June

09.30 - 12.30

A morning coach tour offering an introduction to the City of Glasgow, including the historic Cathedral and the Merchant City, the River Clyde, Blythswood Square, Kelvingrove Art Gallery and the University Campus. The tour ends with a visit to the world famous Burrell Collection.

Price: Included in accompanying persons fee. Additional tickets may be purchased for £27.00

Please note that tours are non-refundable and non-transferable.

