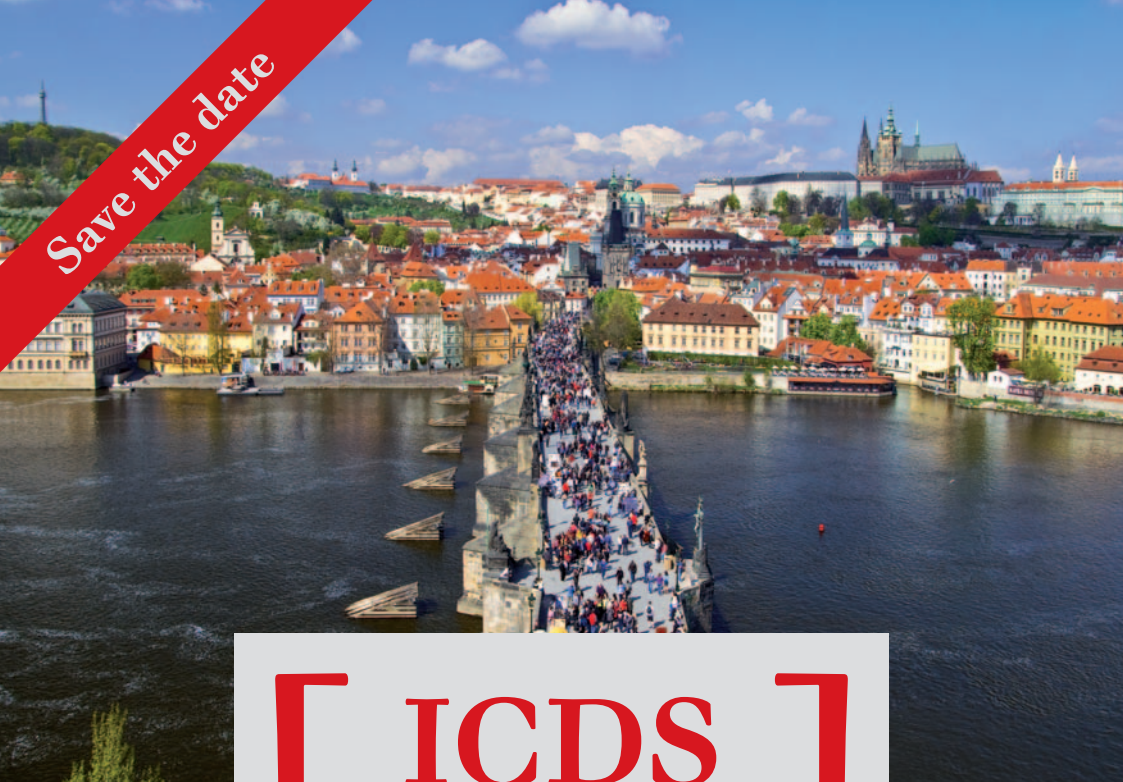




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Welcome Address

Dear colleagues and friends,

The 16th International Coeliac Disease Symposium (ICDS 2015) is rapidly approaching and builds on the long tradition of the previously highly successful meetings that have set the standard in the field. The symposium will take place in Prague, the beautiful capital of the Czech Republic. The local organizing committee, together with the international advisory board, is busy with the finalization of the program for both the Scientific meeting and the Clinical forum. It promises to become a very exciting meeting where we will have experts giving comprehensive updates on the latest developments within the field and oral presentations of selected abstracts. In addition there will be ample time for poster sessions. Also, there will be several keynote lectures on timely topics like commonalities between autoimmune diseases, intestinal organoids and the diversity and function of innate lymphoid cells in the mucosal immune system. The clinical forum, a tradition going back to the 12th ICDS in New York, will give an update for lay people and patients. Altogether it promises to become a highly interesting meeting.

We hope to see you all in Prague!

Frits Koning, Nadine Cerf-Bensussan, Knut Lundin, Stefano Guandalini

The board of the International Society of the Study of Coeliac Disease (ISSCD)

Dear colleagues and friends,

It is my great pleasure to invite you to attend the 16th International Coeliac Disease Symposium which will be held on 21st–24th June 2015 in Prague. Coeliac disease, even more than 60 years after the invention of jejunal biopsy and decades after the discovery of the sensitive serologic tests, remains very often undiagnosed, underestimated and poorly understood. The issue is becoming even more obscure by a rapid change in clinical presentation. The typical picture of steatorrhea has often been replaced by hidden and confusing extraintestinal manifestations. Questions will be raised and challenged by an exquisite spectrum of world renowned experts and young investigators. The meeting will uniquely reflect and joint interests and needs of scientists, clinicians, patients, nutritionists. It will also attract drugs producers and health care providers and organizers because screening, its organization and diet promotion are important tools of the disease management. We believe that Prague as usual will provide a friendly and functional background to the congress with a unique and inspiring atmosphere.

Kindest regards,

Julius Spicak

Chairman of the Local Organising Committee



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Important Dates

1 December 2014	Abstract Submission Opens
15 December 2014	Registration Opens
16 March 2015	Abstract Submission Deadline
16 April 2015	Abstract Acceptance Notification
30 April 2015	Deadline for early bird registration
21-24, June 2015	ICDS 2015 dates

Main topics

- Epidemiology
- Genetics
- Molecular pathways
- Immunity and tolerance
- Microbiota interactions
- Non coeliac gluten sensitivity
- Comorbidities and extraintestinal manifestations
- Refractory disease
- Malignancies
- Diagnosis
- Screening
- Diet
- Treatment
- Future directions

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