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7th Joint Scandinavian Conference in Cardiothoracic surgery

3 – 5 September 2015 | Bergen | Norway

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Dear Friends and Colleagues



On behalf of the Organising Committee we cordially invite you to attend the 7th Joint Scandinavian Conference in Cardiothoracic Surgery to be held in Bergen, Norway 3 - 5 September 2015.

The meeting will take place on Sep 3-5 at Radisson Blu Royal Hotel in the city center. We will open the meeting on Thursday September 3rd at 1030.

There will be keynote lectures by international renowned speakers in different areas including **LVAD/ECMO, aortic surgery, aortic valve surgery, mitral valve surgery, GUCH and lung surgery**. In addition, there will be separate programs for nurses and perfusionists.

There will be excellent opportunities for research fellows and others to present their scientific work at oral sessions and in the poster session.

Awards and scholarships will be published soon on our website www.sats2015.com.

Our ambition is to make the 7th joint conference in Cardiothoracic Surgery a vibrant meeting with an excellent scientific program and extensive opportunities for cross talks and interactions. We are doing our very best to make your stay in Bergen enjoyable and inspirational.

Most welcome to Bergen!

Rune Haaverstad

Chairman of the Organising committee

Greetings to the participants of the 7th Joint Conference in Cardiothoracic Surgery



Photo: Hans Jørgen Brun

It is with great pleasure I welcome you to the city and to the conference. As you soon will discover Bergen has a lot to offer. The natural surroundings of the city -the seven mountains framing, or Bergen towards the sea, is an experience worth a moment. Bergen is really the gateway to the fjords. We have a long

history as an open and including city for Europe and for the rest of the World. Everybody in this city know that we are lucky to live in one of the most beautiful and exciting cities, and to give our city to visitors, gives us an extra pleasure.

Bergen is a well-known host for The Bergen International Festival. Together with Salzburg and Edinburgh, Bergen Int. Music Festival is of the oldest and largest festivals in Europe. More than 1000 artists from all over the world, 215 events in 14 days visited by about 70.000 people of all ages. In 2014 we also had the pleasure of

hosting The Tall Ship Races for the second time. In a city like Bergen we do know each other – we are not a huge city – and we are used to having a smooth cooperation between municipality and organisations when we need each other's hands and minds in making big events. I suppose you have already got an impression of the city and the nature, and I sincerely hope you'll take time to go out to see, hear, smell, taste and feel Bergen. Please use the opportunity to get in touch with ordinary people in the city.

I sincerely hope the conference will give you important information and new wisdom that you can bring with you back home in your daily career. It will always be fruitful to meet colleagues from different countries for an update. New ideas and new perspectives will be achieved to our all best interests.

Welcome to Bergen everyone!

Trude H. Drevland

Mayor

Venue



Radisson Blu Royal Hotel at Bergen Harbour



Bergen Harbour



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Radisson Blu Royal Hotel, Bergen

The 7th Joint Scandinavian Conference in Cardiothoracic surgery will be held at the Radisson Blu Royal Hotel Bergen. The venue is located at the historic Bergen Harbour.

Boasting 342 newly renovated rooms and suites, this Bergen hotel is an ideal accommodation for travellers who want to experience the history and culture of Bryggen and for business travellers who need a centrally located hotel. On-site dining at Filini and Madam Felle restaurants provide delicious options, and car parking and a fitness centre are available. The flexible meeting spaces are perfect for small or large gatherings.

The venue, in Bergen city centre, is located a 30 minute drive from Bergen airport, Flesland. You can travel to the venue by airport shuttlebus or taxi:

Airport shuttlebus: Leaves every 10 - 15 minutes from the airport and costs NOK 160 for a return ticket which can be paid by cash or card. The bus can be found directly across from the arrivals exit. The final central stop is the conference venue, Radisson Blu Royal Hotel. For more information visit the shuttle-bus website here.

Taxi: taxis are also situated directly outside the arrivals exit. The price may vary between NOK 500 and NOK 700 depending on time of day and traffic.

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Scientific Programme

THURSDAY 3 SEPTEMBER

1030 :	Exhibition opens & Welcoming ceremony		
1100 – 1230:	Plenary: Aortic valve, root and arch surgery		
1230 – 1300:	Break		
1300 – 1400:	Plenary: Descending/thoracoabdominal aortic surgery		
1400 – 1430:	Break		
1430 – 1530:	Symposium by Gold Sponsor Edwards Lifesciences		
1530 – 1610:	Break		
1610 – 1700:	Parallel symposia: Covidien & Sorin		
1715 – 1830:	SATS: General th. surgery	Scansect: Oral session	Satnu: Oral session
1900 – 2015:	Reception Håkonshallen		

FRIDAY 4 SEPTEMBER

0715 – 0815:	Breakfast symposium by AstraZeneca		
0830 – 1000:	SATS: Award/research session	Scansect: Oral session	Satnu: Oral session
1000 – 1030:	Break		
1030 – 1130:	SATS: CT surgery education	Scansect: General Assembly	Satnu: Oral session
1130 – 1230:	Lunch & SATS General Assembly [11.45-12.15]		
1230 – 1400:	Plenary: Ischemic heart disease/coronary surgery		
1400 – 1440:	Break		
1440 – 1530:	Plenary: GUCH/congenital aortic disease		
1530 – 1600:	Break		
1600 – 1700:	Parallel symposia: Medtronic & St. Jude Medical		
1700 – 1800:	Moderated poster session		
1930:	Festive Dinner		

SATURDAY 5 SEPTEMBER

0900 – 1030:	Plenary: Accidental hypothermia		
1030 – 1100:	Break		
1100 – 1230:	Plenary: Heart failure/mechanical assist		

General Information

Language

Although the native language is Norwegian, most Norwegians speak fluently English. The official language for this conference is English.

Bergen

Bergen is located on the south-western coast of Norway, with its city centre situated between a group of mountains known collectively as “De syv fjell” (“The seven mountains”). Bergen is host to part of the country’s large oil industry, as well as deep sea operations. Its harbours are used by everything from small pleasure vessels to cruise ships and cargo vessels, and serve as the base for many of the country’s fishing boats.

Bergen has been a focal point of cultural and commercial activity from medieval to modern times. Its population of 275 000 proudly invites you to share the bustling maritime atmosphere, the rich architectural heritage and the cultural and academic institutions of their home city.

Sightseeing

Bergen is ideal for enjoying the beauties of nature as well as culture and city life. As the oldest port and first capital of Norway, the city is brimming with historical sites and modern delights.

Fjords and mountains surround our city. A few minutes’ ride on the Fløibanen funicular will take you from the city centre to the top of Mt. Fløyen, while a cable car takes you to the summit of our highest mountain, Mt. Ulriken. Enjoy the views and the peace and quiet while gazing down at the city. Short and long fjord experiences are available from the city centre and have given us the name: gateway to the fjords. Sample the delicacies on offer at the Fish Market, or spend hours among the fish, penguins and seals at Bergen Aquarium.

Bergen has variety of activities to suit every interest. As a historic trading harbour and the home to some of the great viking kings. Bergen has a

rich history which manifests itself in the many museums and cultural activities being offered. Bryggen has become a symbol of our cultural heritage and has gained a place on UNESCO’s World Heritage List. The old Hanseatic wharf is architecturally unique and the most familiar image from Norway. For more information on the many activities and sites go to: visitbergen.com

Getting to Bergen

Bergen is easy to get to; from the rest of Norway and from abroad. You can fly to Bergen directly from more than 30 central destinations in Europe. Direct regular flights are available from the biggest transport hubs, such as Amsterdam, Copenhagen, Frankfurt, London, Helsinki, Stockholm, Reykjavik and Oslo. You only need to change planes once to get here from other more distant cities.

Conference fee:

Delegate fee before June 15th is NOK 2900. From June 15th the fee is NOK 3500. The fee includes admission to all scientific sessions, reception September 3rd, lunch on all conference days and light refreshments during coffee breaks. Festive dinner September 4th costs NOK 395.

We offer accommodation at the following hotels: Radisson BLU Royal Hotel SGL NOK 1595/ DBL NOK 1795, Thon Hotel Bergen Brygge SGL NOK 1959/DBL NOK 1395.

Abstract deadline:

May 1st, 2015 (SATS/SCANSECT/SATNU):
See info on the Home page below

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The home page will be updated regularly leading up to the conference.



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