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Welcome reception

Thursday, September 22, 2016

Celebration evening

Friday, September 23, 2016

57th Congress of the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Handchirurgie (DGH) in cooperation with the American Association for Handsurgery (AAHS)

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Guest society:

American Association for Hand Surgery (AAHS)

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Opening remarks

Dear ladies and gentlemen,
respected colleagues,

It is my pleasure to invite you to the 57th Congress of the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Handchirurgie (DGH) in Frankfurt am Main. Frankfurt am Main has been one of the major urban centers in Germany since the Middle Ages; the first documented record of the city dates back to 794 A.D. The first freely elected German Parliament was held in Frankfurt in 1948/1949. Meanwhile, Frankfurt am Main is an important financial hub as well as a major industrial trade and service center, and it is one of the world's major cities by economic criteria. There are about 5.5 million residents in the Rhine-Main area.

Frankfurt am Main's status as a conference and trade-fair city is also ensured by its international aviation hub, the Rhine-Main airport: an ideal national and international transport connection for the 2016 Congress.

This year, the DGH will not only arrange the Congress with the DAHTH as a parallel event as in recent years, but we will also act as the host society to the American Association for Hand Surgery (AAHS). As the IFSSH approaches us in 2019 in Berlin, this is certainly an excellent opportunity to show our colleagues from the United States german hospitality and the qualities of our society.

In the scientific program, which has been put together by R. Giunta MD, PhD from Munich, and M. Neumeister MD from Springfield, Illinois, together with the Advisory Board of the DGH, we will focus on various subjects such as microsurgical reconstruction after severe hand injuries

and thumb reconstruction, as well as the treatment of malignant tumors of the hand and forearm. Scaphoid fractures and their sequelae, and the distal radioulnar joint problems will be highlighted as well. Abstracts on other subjects may of course be submitted as well.

This year, for the first time, we will organize various instructional courses with renowned hand surgeons from the German and American societies, and we hope this meets with a corresponding interest among participants. The instructional courses will form the framework for the scientific program in the morning and afternoon. The Buck-Gramcko lecture, which the DGH has designated as the Congress's keynote event, will take place on Friday, September 23, 2016.

The 2016 conjoint meeting between the DAH and AAHS promises to be a great program where old colleagues can be reunited and new friendships can be formed all in the spirit of scientific exchange.

I would be delighted if you join us for three exciting days at the fair in Frankfurt in the urban and ultra-modern Congress Hall „Kap Europa“.

Cordially yours,



Michael Sauerbier, MD, PhD
Congress President 2016

Main subjects

- **Microsurgical reconstruction after severe hand injuries**
- **Thumb reconstruction**
- **Treatment of malignant tumors of the hand and forearm**
- **Scaphoid fractures and their sequelae**
- **Distal radioulnar joint**
- **Open choice of subjects**

Abstract submission

The submission of scientific contributions is possible only at the website **www.dgh-kongress.de**.

The abstracts must be divided into Title, Hypothesis, Methodology, Results, and Conclusion. The length of the abstracts is limited to 2,500 characters total.

The abstracts are intended for publication.
The submission deadline is Sunday, May 08, 2016