Welcome to the 91st EOS congress in Venice

Ortho specialists from around the globe gather for annual meeting in Italy

The European Orthodontic Society (EOS), one of the oldest scientific associations, will be welcoming orthodontic professionals from all over the world to its annual congress over the next couple of days in Venice. From 13 to 18 June, the event, which has become a major platform for discussion of current trends in the field and establishment of orthodontic guidelines for the future, will attract more than 2,000 participants.

The EOS congress is targeted at professional, postgraduate courses on orthodontic treatment and practice, participants will have the opportunity to acquire and deepen their knowledge in the field, and to discuss their clinical experiences with colleagues from other countries. For example, the pre-congress course titled “Treatment mechanics” will provide the necessary background information regarding the clinical use of current skeletal anchorage devices, including orthodontic implants, mini-plates, and mini screws/implants, which can be utilized to support orthodontic treatment of Class II malocclusions. It also aims to present and discuss the basics principles, benefits and drawbacks of these modalities, as well as to emphasize the scientific evidence, available regarding their clinical efficacy in Class II treatment.

Over the past decades, the EOS congress has taken place in various European countries and been held in Italy five times. This year, the congress will take place at the Venice Convention centre, which is situated on the island of Lido. The centre is composed of the Palazzo del Cinema, Palazzo del Casinò and Palagiole, two historic buildings and a large indoor arena that can seat up to 4,000 people.

In addition, new products and technologies will be presented at the congress exhibition. At the EOS congress, over 80 exhibitors showcased their innovations.

On 14 June, at 5 p.m., the congress and the trade exhibition will be officially opened at the Palazzo del Casino, a nineteenth-century Austrian fortress. The ceremony is included for all registered participants and registered accompanying guests. The gala dinner on the evening of 17 June will take place at the Scuola Grande di San Giovanni Evangelista, a confessional building that is usually not open to the public.

Alongside the scientific programme, participants will be offered a wide range of leisure activities, including various city tours. As the island of Lido is home to the famous annual Venice Film Festival, a special tour on 17 June, for instance, will take attendees to iconic places. They will see the church of San Barnaba, where Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade; the Campiello Barbaro; the Campo San Barnaba in San Polo; and Ca’ Macana, which supplied the traditional Venetian carnival masks for Stanley Kubrick’s Eyes Wide Shut.

In Venice, the congress is open to both EOS members and non-members. More information can be found at www.eos2015.org.