

EPA Newsletter

39th Annual conference of the
European Prosthodontic Association
September 3 - 5, 2015
Prague, Czech Republic



Prague (Czech: Praha) is the capital city and largest city of the Czech Republic. It is one of the largest cities of Central Europe and has served as the capital of the historic region of Bohemia for centuries.

It is regarded by many as one of Europe's most charming and beautiful cities

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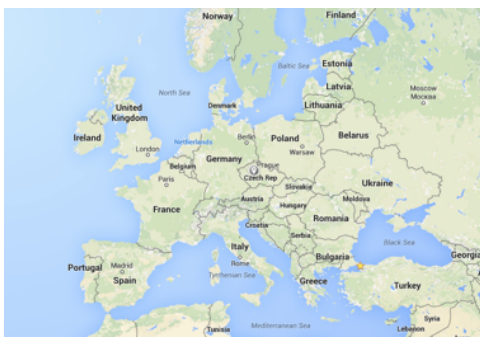
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International travel to the Conference Venue

You can travel to Prague by plane to Václav Havel Airport. You can travel to the main railway station (35mins) either by bus or taxi. From the railway station, it is one stop on the underground (direction Letnany) to Florenc station, which is about 100m walk from the hotel.

Information about train schedule and routes can be found - jizdnirady.idnes.cz/vlaky/spojeni/. Information about fares can be found - www.dpp.cz/en/fares-in-prague/

There is also convenient direct connection by train to some locations in Europe.



Invitation by the EPA President Prof. Dr. Hana Hubalkova

Dear EPA members

In Prague specialists in prosthetic dentistry will meet colleagues who deal with adjacent areas, whether it concerns dental implants, perio-compromised dentition, new materials and technology in dentistry, or seemingly more distant themes, e.g. teaching and practical application of gnathologic principles or neuromuscular dentistry in the everyday practice of a dentist. The organisers of this outstanding symposium selected conscientiously the lecturers that the motto of the congress **“Implants Hand in Hand with Conventional Prosthodontics”** really coincides with the whole scientific program both in its lecture and poster section and in workshops.



The theme of the congress brings eminent personalities from Europe and overseas to the Czech capital on **September 3rd, 2015**. The most important lecture – Oxford Lecture will be given by **Prof. T. Salinas** from the Mayo Clinic, USA. Next we will welcome **Dr. A. Fonzar**, important Italian periodontologist, **Prof. Cees de Baat** from Netherlands, **Prof. J. Setz** from Germany, **Prof. T. Narhi** from Finland, **Prof. Bjarni E. Pjetursson** from Iceland, **Prof. A. Walls** from Scotland, **Prof. N. Forna** from Romania, **Prof. I. Sailer** from Switzerland, **Prof. N. West** from Great Britain, **Dr. G. Papavasiliou** from Greece and **Dr. Suresh Nayar** from Canada.

Czech Republic will be represented by **Prof. A. Šimůnek**, **Doc. I. Dřížhal**, **Doc. R. Šmucler** and further personalities. Scientific program will be closed by a lecture of a world-famous egyptologist **Prof. M. Verner** with the theme „Czech Archaeological Explorations in Egypt and Sudan”.

The congress will be held **under the auspices of the Rector of Charles University in Prague Prof. T. Zima** and in cooperation of the Czech Society for Prosthetic Dentistry with the Czech Dental Chamber. The experts from the Czech Republic and from abroad will meet in the Prague Congress Centre U Hájků, which connects two new luxury hotels Grandior and Elephant. Glass-topped foyer together with the passage Florentina and inventive garden architecture facing congress rooms will be a dignified space both for the scientific program and for informal conversation of the participants.

What trends may we meet at the EPA congress this year? Ceramics, implants, interdisciplinary cooperation, CAI/CAD/CAM technologies – and all of this endorsed by the results of laboratory and clinical research. According to the conclusions of the European Prosthodontic Association the future of prosthodontics lies in digitisation!

For dentists it is without exaggeration an unparalleled opportunity to meet colleagues from all continents, discuss professional areas and conceptions and enrich their knowledge by up-to-date trends in the field of clinical practice and materials as well as present-day technologies. The accompanying program enhances the opportunities for these meetings (www.epa2015.cz, www.epadental.org).

Dear colleagues!

Let me invite you warmly to Prague to gain the latest news and experience with implants hand in hand with conventional prosthodontics.

Prof. Dr. Hana Hubálková
Congress President
EPA President 2014 -15
Chairperson of Organising Committee



Welcome reception

Great Hall of the Carolinum

Thursday 3 September

Price 40 EUR / per accompanying person

The event is free of charge for registered participants but pre-registration is required.

Karolinum is the historical campus of Charles University (established 1348 by Emperor Charles IV). It's Great hall is the place of graduating ceremonies and other festive events. It is also location of the first day reception.

Gala dinner

Friday 4 September

Price 120 EUR / per person

Congress dinner at the **Municipal House**, an Art Nouveau architecture building near the congress centre.





The congress venue:

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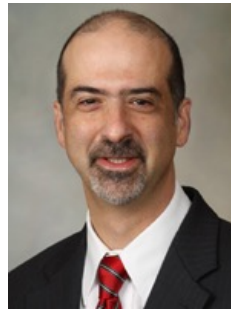
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Dr Fonzar



Prof Simunek



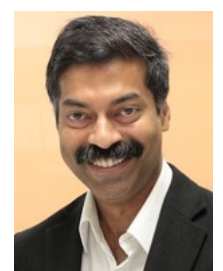
Prof Setz



Prof Sailer



Prof Walls



Dr. Nayar



Prof Miloslav Verner



From the desk of the Hon. Secretary – Prof. Dr. Mutlu Özcan

Dear EPA members,

I am pleased to report that the 2014 EPA Conference in Istanbul, Turkey was a great achievement with the participation of 543 registered delegates from all over the world. The congress with the theme “Conventional versus Computerized Prosthodontics” has been realised in a joint effort with the Turkish Prosthodontics and Implantology Association (TPID), where we had the chance to welcome 12 prominent international keynote speakers, listen to 120 oral presentations and discuss 245 poster presentations. Both the scientific and social programme in Istanbul certainly indicated increased quality and interest to the EPA. We would like to acknowledge Prof. Cetin Sevük and the organising committee for all their efforts for this excellent congress! During the Annual Business Meeting (ABM) in 2014 we could welcome 41 new EPA members and 5 EPA recognised specialists in Prosthodontics since the last meeting. In addition, Japanese Society of Prosthodontics (JSP) participated the EPA Congress in 2014 with 66 delegates. We appreciate the continuous interest and support of JSP to the EPA. Also, during the ABM, Professor Paul Wright and Professor Atilla User were announced as the Honorary Life Members and received their certificates. We greatly acknowledge their services and constant support to the EPA in numerous aspects over many years and many more to come.

On April 12th 2014, I visited Prague to examine the congress venue and discuss the details for the EPA 2015 Conference. The President of EPA 2015, Prof. Hana Hubáková and her team was able to win Prof. Thomas Salinas from Mayo Clinic, USA as the Oxford Lecturer. The congress theme this year is “Implants Hand in Hand with Conventional Prosthodontics”. In addition to the scientific programme, there will be workshops offered on “Microscopic approach in dentistry, Modern hygienic methods with dental implants and Fiber reinforced composites in implant reconstructions”.

As it was reported in the last Newsletter, in 2014, the EPA Headquarters officially moved from United Kingdom to the Netherlands. A new EPA bank account has now been established in The Netherlands and EPA monies have been successfully transferred from UK to this new account. Due to the transition of the EPA Headquarters, our treasurer, Dr. Ransom Altman informed us that the finances could not be audited on time but will be done after the EPA Conference in Istanbul. In the meantime, the whole membership database is updated and our Honorary Web-master Dr. Suresh Nayar provided online membership form at the EPA website. Please make sure that you have filled this form, as it is crucial to have the exact contact information for the membership database. Insufficient contact information or misspellings are creating problems especially for the journal delivery and email correspondences. New membership payment information such as IBAN, SWIFT codes and PayPal details are all currently available at the EPA website.

Promotion Committee members of the EPA met for the second time in Istanbul at the end of the conference and set some goals for 2015, some of which are free registration for undergraduate students presenting their best clinical cases, certificate with coloured EPA logo on becoming a member and thereafter certificate to members for continuous attendance for 5, 10, 20 years, advertisement of EPA 2015 and 2016 at the Facebook, Linked-in, Dental Tribune etc., providing pins to the members with EPA logo, summarising each EPA conference at national dental journals. New ideas to the Promotion Committee are certainly always welcome. In this regard, upon my communication with the new editor-in-chief of European Journal of Prosthetic and Restorative Dentistry (EJPRD), Dr. Will Pallin, the owner of the publishing company, Mr. Dennis Barber, is considering the possibility of printing abstracts of EPA conference and publishing the manuscripts of Oxford and keynote lectures in the journal annually. Similarly, discussions are going on in order to make the online submission feasible and to get an impact factor for the journal.

This year, we had more number of applications to the best oral, poster presentations as well as travel awards but please motivate your young colleagues to consider applying to the awards offered at the EPA Conference. Detailed information is available at our website: <http://www.epadental.org>.

With all the new changes and developments, I personally think that EPA is moving to a good direction and I would like to thank you all for your support and contribution!

We are looking forward to the forthcoming EPA Conference in September and seeing you all in Prague!

Sincerely yours,

Prof. Dr. Mutlu Özcan
EPA Honorary Secretary



FUTURE EPA CONFERENCE

2016

40th EPA Conference

Halle, Germany

MEMORIES OF ISTANBUL



Editor's note

Dear all,

As we count down to the exciting 39th Annual Conference to be held in Prague, Czech Republic under the presidency of Prof. Dr Hana Hubálková, I would like to reiterate the invitation extended to all, by our President and Secretary. I am also reminded that we are nearing a milestone in that the EPA will soon be celebrating its Ruby anniversary, i.e., 40 years! This is cause for celebration in itself along with a chance to pay tribute to all that have been involved with the EPA right from its founding members up to those who continue to nurture it.

This is the sixth edition of the European Prosthodontic Association newsletter. We have reached a steady state in the newsletter frequency in that we have a special conference newsletter which is published in the spring and the main newsletter being published a month before the conference. I would like to thank our current President, Prof. Dr. Hana Hubálková and her team in assisting me in the content matter for this newsletter. My thanks also to our Honorary Secretary who has been instrumental in many of the EPA projects to date.

Any suggestions on new sections and/or articles or any matter for publication would be welcome. I welcome writers from all regions to submit their articles for publication. And I hope to see you all at the conference in Prague soon!

Suresh Nayar
Hon. Web Editor, EPA

