Berlin

Welcome to Germany’s capital city!

Berlin is one of 16 states in Germany and is its largest city with a population of about 3.5 million people. Located in the beautiful region of Berlin-Brandenburg, this city has a long history and was divided into East and West Berlin during the Cold War. Today, Berlin hosts several world renowned universities, one of the best philharmonic Orchestras worldwide, many interesting museums and one of Europe’s largest university hospitals, the Charité. Berlin is also known for being a very important center of scientific research, with prestigious institutes and research organisations, such as the Max-Planck-Institute, the Fraunhofer-Gesellschaft and the Leibniz-Gemeinschaft. Berlin has become very popular, especially among young and creative people from all over the world, offering a high quality of life, a fascinating cultural scene and interesting career opportunities.

For more information please visit the official tourist portal www.visitberlin.de/en
Welcome to WMS 2014

Dear Friends and Colleagues,

The Local Organising Committee and the Programme Committee of the WMS would like to invite you to the 19th International Congress of the World Muscle Society in 2014, which is going to take place in Germany’s capital, Berlin. The WMS Congress is the premier annual international congress on neuromuscular disorders. This year’s focus will be on Protein Aggregation, Autophagy and Proteomics, Limb-Girdle Muscular Dystrophies (LGMDs) and, as usual, on the Advances in Treatment of Neuromuscular Disorders. Each day of the symposium will be dedicated to one of the three selected topics. Invited keynote speakers will excellently summarise the state of the art in selected topics covering clinical, myopathological, molecular, radiological and other aspects of myology. Sessions are to be composed of oral or poster presentations with guided discussions. The congress will be held at the academic center of Berlin next to the historic Charité Campus in a unique and stimulating setting. You will have the opportunity to learn about the latest developments in world-wide myology and to become acquainted with Berlin, not only from its academic point of view, but also as a city that offers exciting cultural highlights.

We are looking forward to welcoming you in Berlin.

Werner Stenzel  |  Hans-Hilmar Goebe | l  Arpad von Moers

Main Topics
1) Protein Aggregation, Autophagy & Proteomics
2) Limb-Girdle Muscular Dystrophies (LGMDs)
3) Advances in Treatment of Neuromuscular Disorders

Abstracts
The Programme Committee kindly invites contributions on new advances across the neuromuscular field. If you are interested in submitting an abstract please submit it online at www.wms2014.com

Congress Venues in Berlin, Germany
Langenbeck-Virchow-Haus
(Lecture Hall, Exhibition Area, Registration)
Luisenstr. 58/59
10117 Berlin
Humboldt Graduate School (Poster Exhibition)
Luisenstr. 56
10117 Berlin
Thaersaal (Poster Exhibition)
Invalidenstr. 42
10115 Berlin

Key Dates
Early Bird Registration opens: 1 December 2013
Abstract Submission opens: 15 January 2014
Abstract Submission closes: 2 April 2014
Early Bird Registration closes: 30 April 2014
Regular Registration opens: 1 May 2014
Pre-Congress Course: 6-7 October 2014

Registration Fees

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The Registration Fee for delegates includes:
- Congress Welcome Reception, Tuesday 7 October 2014
- Access to all Congress and Poster Sessions, Wednesday 8 October to Saturday 11 October 2014
- All coffee and lunch breaks during the Congress
- Attendance at Industry Symposia, Wednesday 8 October and Thursday 9 October 2014
- Gala Dinner, Friday 10 October 2014
- Neuromuscular Disorders Abstract Issue
- Certificate of Attendance, name badge and programme handbook

In addition to the above, Non-Members will receive a one year membership to the World Muscle Society (including a one year subscription to the journal Neuromuscular Disorders) for 2015.

Accompanying Person Registration includes the Welcome Reception and Gala Dinner.

Certification
An application will be made to the EACCME for CME accreditation of this event.