#### IFSSH Newsletter

# **June 2010**

# IFSSH 2010 Congress - Seoul, Korea (31st October - 4th November)

Organisation is in place for a splendid scientific meeting and social gathering at the IFSSH Congress in Seoul in October/November this year. This triennial congress creates an ideal environment for the gathering of hand surgery societies from 50 countries, rich and poor, and of disparate development.

Prof Moon Sang Chung, Prof Goo Hyun Baek and their committees will reward all of us who attend with a combination of unique Korean history, social customs, cuisine and gentle hospitality. The scientific programme offers guest lectures from world renowned surgeons, including Professor Jesse Jupiter from the United States who has been awarded the honour of presenting the Swanson Lecture, symposia covering the curriculum of hand surgery, and plenty of scope for registrants to describe their clinical and research experiences in free paper sessions.

The IFSSH Executive Committee encourages everyone to join us in Seoul this year.

# IFSSH Congress Host - 2016 - Call for Submissions

The Executive Committee formally invites submissions from Member Societies. The criteria for hosting rights and information regarding the submission process are published on the IFSSH website – www.ifssh.org.

Please forward any submission to the Secretary-General by July 31st. A copy of the submission must also be forwarded to each society delegate and the IFSHT representative by July 31st. Addresses can be found on the IFSSH website. Please note that a combined meeting with the therapists is favoured but not an absolute prerequisite. You should also understand that the geographic rotation process agreed upon at the last IFSSH Delegates' Council Meeting in Poznan, 2009, will begin **after the 2016 Congress** and will take into account the geographic location of previous Congresses.

# Financial Support for IFSSH Seoul Registration

The IFSSH and the Korean Society for Surgery of the Hand will provide some financial assistance for registration at the coming IFSSH Congress in Seoul. Assistance will be provided for those from countries who are financially disadvantaged. Up to 20 applications will be considered. A letter of support from the home society must accompany any application. Please forward requests to Prof Goo Hyun Baek (email: ifssh@ifssh2010.com).

The IFSSH has granted an application for financial support for two hand therapists from South America to attend the IFSHT Congress in Orlando, Florida. Details of this meeting can be found below. Surgeons should encourage their local therapists to attend.

# Regional and International Congresses:

XVth International Congress of Federation of the European Societies for Surgery of the Hand (FESSH) – Bucharest, Romania 23<sup>rd</sup> June – 26<sup>th</sup> June, 2010 www.fessh2010.com

XIIIth Triennial Congress of IFSHT – Orlando, Florida 24<sup>th</sup> June – 26<sup>th</sup> June, 2010 www.ifsht.org

XIth IFSSH Congress - Seoul, Korea. 31st October - 4th November, 2010. www.ifssh2010.com

XIIth IFSSH - IXth IFSHT Congress - New Delhi, India. March, 2013

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