



INVITATION - CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

The working group on **Psychosocial Care from Fetus to Adult of the AEPC** has the pleasure to invite you to their biannual meeting, **March 16-18, 2016, Rotterdam, The Netherlands.**

The program aims to provide inspiring presentations and workshops regarding psychosocial aspects of congenital heart disease in all age groups. Included are keynote lectures by leading international experts, amongst whom: **prof. Brad Marino, Lurie Children's Hospital of Chicago, USA.**

Conference

The conference is an important platform for pediatric cardiologists, psychologists, nurses, and other health care professionals and international patient and parent organizations in the field of congenital cardiology. This multidisciplinary meeting offers ample opportunity for interactive exchange of new insights and share perspective on needs for the future in clinical practice and scientific research.

The program also includes a **young investigators competition.**

Themes that will be emphasized during this meeting are:

- Fetal/neonatal counseling
- Psychosocial functioning among different age groups
- Neurodevelopment outcomes,
- Social participation

General information

Date: Wednesday March 16 (start 1 PM) until Friday May 18, 2016 (closure 1 PM)

Venue: Het Nieuwe Instituut, Museumpark 25, 3015 CB Rotterdam, The Netherlands

Venue website: <http://hetnieuweinstituut.nl/>;

E-mail: service@hetnieuweinstituut.nl;

Phone: +31(0) 10-4401200.



Website AEPC: <http://www.aepc.org>

For information on the scientific profile and the international fields of cooperation of the AEPC WG please visit the AEPC website: <http://www.aepc.org/constitution-commitees-and-worki/psycho-social-care-from-fetus-to/>

Preliminary program

Wednesday March 16, 2016

2.15 pm – 2.30 pm welcome (incl. coffee/tea)
2.30 pm – 4.15 pm fetus/neonatal counseling
4.15 pm – 4.45 pm coffee/tea break
4.45 pm – 6.00 pm psychosocial functioning of children and parents

Thursday March 17, 2016

8.30 am – 9.00 am coffee/tea
9.00 am – 10.30 am sports
10.30 am – 11.00 am coffee/tea break
11.00 am – 12.15 pm psychosocial interventions
12.15 pm – 1.15 pm lunch break
1.15 pm – 2.15 pm complex congenital heart disease
2.15 pm – 3.45 pm parallel workshops
3.45 pm – 4.15 pm coffee/tea break
4.15 pm – 6.15 pm neurodevelopment outcomes (key note lecture)
From 7.30 pm onwards dinner buffet and party/dancing with live band

Friday March 18, 2016

8.30 am – 9.00 am coffee/tea
9.00 am – 11.00 am Guches: work, pregnancy and quality of life
11.00 am – 11.30 am coffee/tea break
11.30 am – 12.45 pm Guches: drugs, sex and rock and roll (key note lecture)

Registration

Registration can be done through the online registration form on

<http://www.sophiakindergeneeskunde.nl/>

Click on the **PAOS logo**,

then click on **'scholingen'**,

then click on **Meeting of the AEPC Working Group Psychosocial Care form Fetus to Adult** to register.

Normal fee € 175

Patients and parents € 125

Coffee/tea breaks, lunch on Thursday and dinner/party on Thursday are included. All other meals are not included in the price.

Invoices will be sent **from September 2015** onwards, together with the practical information.

The final program will follow November 2015.

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Call for abstracts

We welcome abstracts for oral and/or poster presentations, both regarding scientific research and clinical care, related to psychosocial aspects of congenital heart disease.

Deadline abstract submission: 1st November 2015

Abstract Submission Guidelines

Authors submitting abstracts for presentation at this conference should consider the following:

1. Research abstracts should contain the following headings: introduction, methods, results, conclusions.
2. Other abstracts (e.g. clinical) have to be well-structured and contain the headings: introduction, problem, analysis, conclusions.
3. Titles should be indicative of the content of the abstract. Avoid abbreviations in the title.
4. Abbreviations may be used in the body text, if they are defined at their first mention.
5. The combined length of the abstract title and the body text should **not exceed 250 words**.
6. By submitting an abstract for consideration, you confirm that (if the abstract is accepted for an oral or poster presentation) you or a co-author/presenter will register for and attend the conference.
7. **Submission:** Abstracts should be submitted to: <mailto:aepec.2016@erasmusmc.nl> with 'abstract submission AEPC 2016' in the subject heading.
8. The members of Scientific AEPC Psychosocial WG Committee will review the abstracts. Authors will be informed about acceptance of their abstract for (poster) presentation in the first week of 2016.

With kind regards,

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For sightseeing information on Rotterdam and practical information, please see the following page

Welcome to Rotterdam

Rotterdam Central train station, Congress Information Point:

During the conference, at the central train station, there will be a conference information point providing information how to reach the congress venue and your hotel from 9.00 pm – 5.00 am.



For all travel and practical information, see the following sites:

Getting to Rotterdam (air/boat/train). Train distance Amsterdam-Rotterdam: ca 25 minutes:

<https://en.rotterdam.info/visitors/practical/getting-to-rotterdam/>

Public transport: <https://en.rotterdam.info/visitors/practical/getting-around-in-rotterdam/>

Download city guide app: <https://en.rotterdam.info/visitors/practical/mobile-city-guide-app/>

Places to go/things to do: <https://en.rotterdam.info/visitors/places-to-go/>

12 top attractions: <http://www.planetware.com/tourist-attractions-/rotterdam-nl-zh-rott.htm>

Rotterdam Impression on youtube.com: <https://en.rotterdam.info/visitors/about-rotterdam/>

Hotel suggestions

Hotels should be booked on your own initiative. There are many hotels in the area of the meeting.

Our suggestions on walking distance (indicated in km) are:

- <https://www.bilderberg.nl/en/rotterdam/parkhotel-rotterdam/> (0.35 km, 4 stars)
- <http://www.hotelemma.nl/> (0.4 km, 3 stars)
- <http://www.kingkonghostel.com/> (0.4 km, 2 stars)
- <http://hotelbazar.com/> (0.6 km)
- <http://easyhotelbenelux.com/rotterdam> (0.6 km, 2 stars)
- http://www.logeerboot.nl/EN_index.html (sleep over boat, 1.0 km)
- <http://www.inntelhotelsrotterdamcentre.nl/en/Home.html> (1,1 km, 4 stars)
- <http://www.mainporthotel.com/en/Home.html> (1,2 km, 5 stars)
- <http://h2otel.nl/?lang=en> (1,3 km, 3 stars)
- <http://www.accorhotels.com/gb/hotel-8188-ibis-rotterdam-city-centre/index.shtml> (1,4 km, 3 stars)