



Dear friends and colleagues,

It is our great pleasure and privilege to invite you to Belgium in September 2015 for the 48th ESPN Annual meeting. Brussels is not only the capital of Belgium and of Europe, but for a few days, will become the beating centre of scientific activity for our society. “Manneken Pis”, our national monument, is also an apt symbol of our clinical and research activities: to pee or not to pee, and how to treat, that is the question

The scientific committee of the ESPN 2015 is proud to prepare a program of outstanding scientific quality in collaboration with several international societies (IPNA, ERA-EDTA, ESPU and ICCS) to stimulate cross-talk between different specialties involved in the treatment of children with kidney and bladder disorders. Experts from our society as well as international speakers will join forces to deliver state-of-the-art lectures, generate debate and identify questions for future research. The program includes a full spectrum of presentations from master classes, basic research and tertiary care nephrology to nephrology issues in a more general paediatric setting. Our programme is designed with young nephrology fellows in mind, the future of our society.

The meeting will be held in the Square Congress Centre in the heart of Brussels: it is just a short walk from the central train station as well as major attractions that our historic city has to offer. There are over 13,000 hotel rooms just around the corner.

Brussels is Belgium, and Belgium is about a good quality of life: where most people eat to live, Belgians live to eat and drink! A wide variety of good restaurants and bars are in the immediate neighbourhood, not to distract from the scientific program, but to reassure you that within minutes after the last session, you can enjoy the pleasures of a September evening in Brussels. We will convince you that Belgium is much more than good beer, chocolate and Belgian fries, although it will be very difficult, since the congress coincides with the Belgium beer weekend in the Central Market! For accompanying persons we offer fantastic tours of the cultural and culinary attractions of Brussels, especially on Saturday evening!

We look forward to welcoming you to Brussels in September 2015 for the 48th ESPN Annual meeting and hope that you will find the scientific program exciting and our city welcoming!

Yours sincerely,

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