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Invitation



Dear Colleagues and Friends,

With great pleasure we invite you to beautiful Amsterdam, where the first West European dialysis meeting was held in 1964. We invite you to join us in May 2014 for the 51st meeting of our Society. This meeting will also include the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the ERA-EDTA Registry.

The meeting will be held at the RAI congress centre, located near Amsterdam's historical centre, with many hot<mark>els in its</mark> close proximity. The RAI congress centre is easily accessible by public transportation.

The scientific committee, consisting of leading scientists and clinicians from across Europe, chaired by David C. Wheeler from London, intends to further improve the already high quality of the Society's recent congresses. The program<mark>me will</mark> focus on emerging topics which we anticipate to be of broad interest to delegates. All major areas of Nep<mark>hrology</mark> including physiology, clinical nephrology, dialysis and transplantation will be covered from a translational perspective. In addition a special session will be devoted to epidemiology and registries, with specific emphasis on the ER<mark>A-EDTA</mark> Registry. Special interest will be given to new developments in dialysis with emphasis on the wearable kidn<mark>ey and</mark> regenerative medicine. On the day preceding the main meeting, CME sessions will be included in the prog<mark>ramme,</mark> partially organized by the different ERA-EDTA working groups.

The picture of a watermill in the sunlight, an early painting of the famous Dutch painter Pieter Mondriaan, was ch<mark>osen as</mark> the symbol for our congress because watermills are a well-recognized symbol for the Netherlands and were instr<mark>umental</mark> in regaining land from the sea to shape the Netherlands to its current form. The vibrant joyful colours of the water<mark>mill are</mark> an appealing invitation for young and old to come to Amsterdam. Amsterdam has many historic and cultural ven<mark>ues like</mark> the beautiful 17th and 18th century merchant houses along the canals, several world famous museums like the recently renovated "Rijksmuseum" and the "Van Gogh museum", and the "Concertgebouw", residence of one of the wor<mark>ld's top</mark> ranked orchestras (the "Royal Concertgebouw orchestra").

Altogether, with the prospect of an excellent scientific programme, we encourage you to come to Amsterdam.

We are looking forward to welcoming you in Amsterdam in May 2014.

Raymond Vanholder

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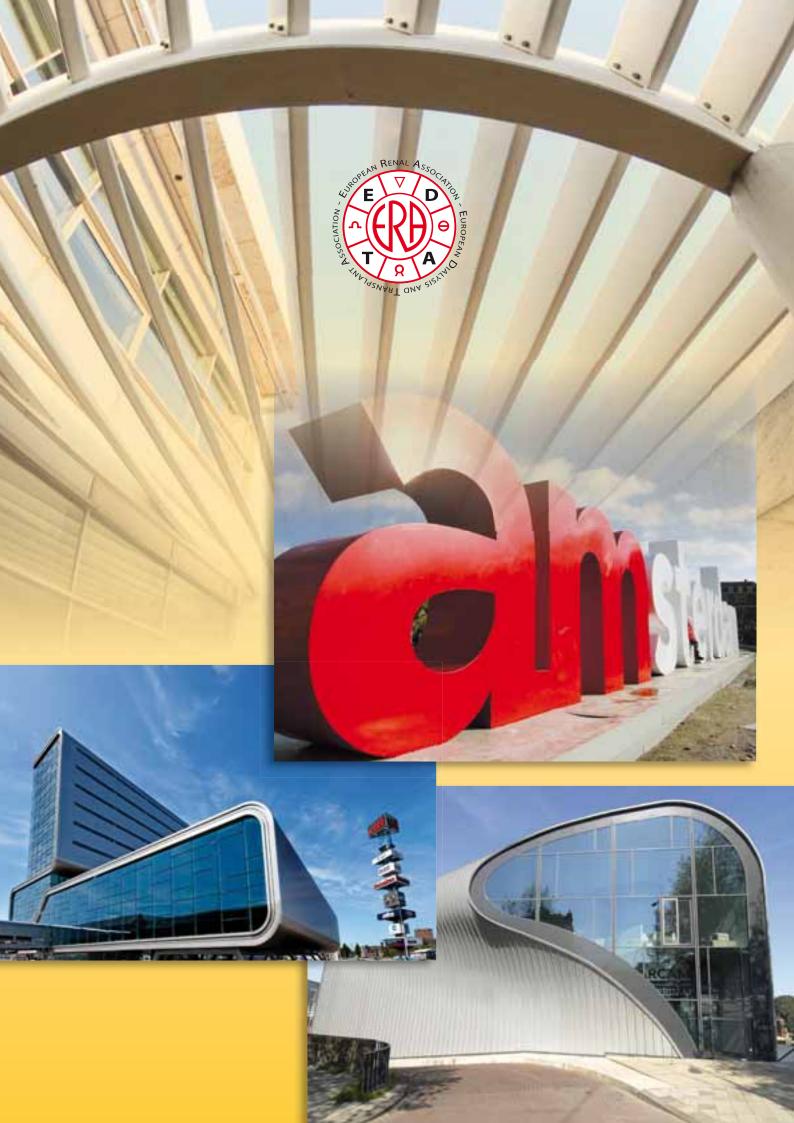
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Congress Timetable



	Friday, May 30th 2014 - REGI	STRATION DAY
11.00 - 19.00	Regis	trations
	Saturday, May 31st 2014	4 - DAY 1
07.00 - 19.00		trations
09.00 - 17.30	CME Courses an	d Working Groups
18.00 - 19.30	Opening	Ceremony
19.00 - 21.00	Exhibition	open for visit
19.30 - 21.00	Welcome	e Reception
	Sunday, June 1st 2014	
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09.30 - 10.45	Poster session, coffee k	preak and exhibition visit
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PLENARY LECTURES

Pathophysiology of ischemic Acute Kidney Injury (Bench to

Bruce Molitoris, Indianapolis, USA

- Regenerative medicine Hans Clevers, Utrecht, The Netherlands
- The Mammalian Circadian Timing System: the daily rhythms of genes, cells, and organs **Ueli Schibler**, Geneva, Switzerland

MINI LECTURES

- Extracellular factors regulating mineral metabolism in CKD
- Familial renal glicosuria and SGLT2: from a Mendelian trait to a therapeutic target

Aquaporins in the kidney

The calcium sensing receptor and tubular fluid reabsorption

Cystinosis: from bench to bedsite

- Clinical diseases caused by disorders of primary cilia
- Glomerular diseases in 2014: any translational progress?

C3 Glomerulonephritis

Circulating Antipodocyte Antibodies in Membranous **Nephropathy**

The VALIGA Study: histology and renal outcomes

The inflammasone in kidney inflammation and fibrosis

Dialysis dose for AKI: how to decide?

- The promise of immune cell therapy for acute kidney
- Can we assess individual risk for CKD and its progression based on risk scores?

Klotho/FGF23: a 2-sided coin in kidney disease

Cardiovascular status in children with chronic kidney disease

Imaging of renal fibrosis

The endothelial glycocalix: at the crossroad of vascular function and albuminuria

The KDIGO hypertension guidelines for CKD

- FGF23: a cardiovascular risk factor in the making?
- Sympathetic denervation in nephrology and hypertension

Endothelial function in proteinuric nephropaties

- Copeptin: an emergiong biomarker of cardiovascular and renal diseases
- The uric acid dilemma: causal risk factor for hypertension and CKD or mere bystander?
- Nothing can be worse: Sudden Cardiac Death during dialysis

- High-flux haemodialysis Time to rethinking Obesity metrics in CKD. Which is the best measure to apply in clinical practice?
- Vascular access: the situation in Europe and gaps in **knowledge**

- Chronic kidney allograft dysfunction; current diagnostic and therapeutic approach
- Individualized immunosuppression after transplantation
- How to avoid transplant failure due to non-compliance in young adults

SYMPOSIA

Track 1 FLUID AND ELECTROLYTES, TUBULAR TRANSPORT, PHYSIOLOGY AND RENAL REGENERATION

Hyponatremia: an evolving problem in the care of acute and chronic kidney diseases

1) Pathophysiology of hyponatremia

2) Differential diagnosis of hyponatremia

- 3) Treatment of moderately and severely symptomatic hyponatremia
- 4) Treatment of chronic hyponatremia without severe symptoms

Magnesium: opportunities in kidney disease

1) Evolving data on magnesium and vascular calcification

Magnesium status in ESRD reassessed

- 3) Magnesium in cardiology: an old friend revisited
- 4) Magnesium in transplantation: new challenges

Calcium disorders

- 1) A journey through renal calcium handling: one molecule at
- 2) Molecular basis of disorders of calcium homeostasis
- 3) Renal calcium handling and kidney stones
- 4) Calcium-sensing in the kidney

Track 2 HEREDITARY DISORDERS, DEVELOPMENT, PREGNANCY, PAEDIATRICS

Therapies for PKD

- 1) Tolvaptan (pro-con debate)
- 2) Somatostatin therapy
- 3) Tyrosine kinase inhibitors

Genetics: monogenetic diseases

- 1) Fabry's disease: does the gene tell us everything?
- Thrombotic microangiopathy
- Tubular diseases
- 4) Tuberous sclerosis and angiolipomatosis: from molecular genetics to clinical trials

Genetics and Epigenetics in hypertension and

- 1) Does genetics teach us anything?
- 2) Genetics of hypertension
- 3) GWAS in kidney disease
- 4) Epigenetics and CKD



Pregnancy

- 1) Pathophysiology of pregnancy and eclampsia
- 2) Should we discourage pregnancy?
- 3) Follow up of mother and child following eclampsia
- 4) Pregnancy in the transplanted patients

What is new and hot in paediatric nephrology?

- 1) Dialysis in children
- Transplantation in children
- 3) Immune mediated kidney diseases in children
- 4) Inherited kidney diseases in children

Track 3 **GLOMERULAR DISEASES AND GENERAL** CLINICAL NEPHROLOGY FROM BASIC SCIENCE TO THERAPY

New insights into the pathogenesis of glomerular diseases

- 1) A new paradigm for glomerular leukocyte recruitment
- 2) IL-17A production by renal gd T cells promotes kidney injury in crescentic GN
- 3) Gain of glycosylation in integrin a3 causes lung disease and nephrotic syndrome
- 4) Reversible cell-cycle entry in adult kidney podocytes through regulated control of telomerase and Wnt signaling

Beyond KDIGO guidelines: Challenging issues in treating intractable glomerular diseases

- 1) Membranous nephropathy
- 2) ANCA vasculitis and anti GBM disease
- 3) Lupus nephritis
- 4) IgA Nephropathy

Diabetic Nephropathy and Proteinuria

- 1) Differential diagnosis of proteinuria in diabetes a pathology perspective
- Podocyte susceptibility to dislipidemia in type-2 diabetes
- 3) Renal endothelium in diabetic nephropathy
- 4) MicroRNA for the diagnosis of diabetic nephropathy

Novel Biomarkers in Glomerular Diseases

- 1) Focal Glomerulosclerosis
- 2) Lupus nephritis (anti-C1q, anti-CRP, etc.)
 3) IgA Nephropathy (anti-Gd1-IgA1, sCD89, sCD71, etc.)
- 4) Membranous nephropathy (anti-PLA2)

Micro-RNA: a new biology frontier in kidney diseases

- 1) Circulating and urinary microRNAs in kidney disease
- 2) miRNAs and the Diabetic Kidney Disease
- 3) A novel role for miRNAs in kidney cyst growth in polycystic kidney disease
- 4) miRNAs role in glycosylation in the context of IgA nephropathy

Track 4 **ACUTE KIDNEY INJURY: PATHOPHYSIOLOGY** AND CRITICAL CARE

Novel diagnostics and treatments in AKI

- From RIFLE to KDIGO: How is AKI defined?
 Pro/Con debate biomarkers are a major step forward in the diagnosis of AKI
- 3) Pro/Con debate biomarkers are no major step forward in the diagnosis of AKI
- 4) Stem cells to support recovery of renal function

AKI as trigger of CKD and CKD progression

- 1) Mechanisms whereby acute kidney injury incite chronic kidney disease
- 2) AKI detection as an opportunity to prevent CKD
- 3) AKI in the clinical scenario: the role of ischemia and
- 4) Prevention of AKI: experimental promises and clinical realities

Ischemic preconditioning

- 1) The biology of ischemic preconditioning
- 2) Ischemic preconditiong dramatically improves clinically outcomes after myocardial infarction
- 3) Stem cells and renal cell regeneration in AKI
- 4) The potential of ischemic preconditioning in kidney transplantation

Track 5 CKD - PATHOPHYSIOLOGY, EPIDEMIOLOGY, PREVENTION, PROGRESSION

Community Nephrology and CKD cohorts

- 1) CKD as a public health priority in Great Britain
- 2) A community-based CKD cohort in Emilia-Romagna: development of a risk stratification tool
- 3) The German CKD cohort
- 4) Epidemiology of stages 3 to 4 CKD (Swedish CKD registry)

Renal Hypoxia in Renal Disease: cause or consequence?

- 1) Direct measurement of intrarenal oxygen in vivo
- 2) How central is renal oxygen as a driving force for hypertension?
- 3) Renal oxidative stress, oxygenation and hypertension
- 4) Dysregulated oxygen metabolism of the kidney by uremic toxins

CKD-MBD at center stage

- 1) Calcium and phosphate balance in early and late CKD
- 2) Nutritional phosphate, a health risk in and beyond CKD?
- 3) Clinical practice management of CKD-MBD in Europe: results from the COSMOS trial
- 4) The NIGRAM Consortium



Mineral metabolism and clinical outcomes in CKD

- 1) Ca receptor activation in CKD
- 2) An update on mechanisms leading to vascular calcification
- 3) Klotho, inflammation and ageing in CKD
- 4) Genomic variants of Klotho, impact on serum klotho, phosphorus and survival in dialysis patients

Overweight and obesity as dominant drivers of the CKD epidemic

- 1) Epidemiology of obesity-related CKD: a worldwide public health priority
- 2) The human microbiome in obese and lean individuals
- 4) The adipose tissue cytokines network in progressive renal diseases: clinical and experimental insights
- 3) Mechanism(s) underlying lipid toxicity in obesity

Track 6 **HYPERTENSION, VASCULAR DISEASES AND DIABETES**

Joint Symposium ERA-EDTA and European Society of Cardiology

Management of the diabetic patient with CKD

- 1) Target glycemic control: different targets at different stages?
- 2) Hypoglycemic agents beyond metformin and before
- 3) Glucose sparing strategies in PD
- 4) Building a model of diabetic nephropathy from multiple markers and profiles

Long term Blood Pressure and volume control in CKD

- 1) Long term BP variability and clinical outcomes in CKD
- 2) Visit to visit BP variability and cardiovascular events in haemodialysis patients
- Ambulatory and home BP monitoring in CKD patients
- 4) Volume control beyond the heart: volume expansion and the arterial system

Sodium, the immune system and the endothelium: new pathophysiological dimensions of an old risk factor

- 1) The interstitium as a sodium sensor and the immune system as a regulator of volume and BP homeostasis
- 2) Unmasking vascular salt sensivity in man
- 3) Vascular Growth Factor responsiveness to dietary salt in CKD patients
- 4) Evidence of innate immunity activation in human hypertension

Inflammation and cardiovascular toxicity in chronic kidney disease

- 1) Endocannabinoids: new players in inflammation in CKD
- Indoxylsulfate and p-cresylsulfate: uremic or cardiovascular foxins?

- 3) Inflammation and inadequate protein intakes: major players in the high risk of haemodialysis patients
- 4) Inflammation and left ventricular hypertrophy and dysfunction in CKD

Track 7 **END-STAGE KIDNEY DISEASE AND DIALYSIS**

The ERA-EDTA Registry

Pulmonary hypertension and lung congestion: hidden risk factors for cardiovascular mortality

- 1) Pulmonary hypertension in haemodialysis patients, prevalence, determinants and clinical outcomes
- 2) Beyond left ventricular hypertrophy: left atrial volume in CKD patients is a strong, independent predictor of death and cardiovascular events
- 3) Lung congestion in dialysis patients: detection, risk factors and interventions
- 4) Circulating biomarkers of volume status and clinical outcomes in ESKD

A neglected issue in haemodialysis practice: Haemodialysate

- 1) Dialysate: calcium
- 2) Dialysate sodium
- 3) Dialysate potassium
- 4) Dialysate HCO3

Haemodialysis versus haemodiafiltration

- 1) Intradialytic complications. Does it differ among the two modalities?
- 2) The role of HDF in daily dialysis3) Lessons from the CONTRAST Study
- 4) Membrane permeability, dialysate purity and clinical outcomes

Bone and mineral disorders in ESKD

- 1) The P-binders puzzle; effects on morbidity, mortality and
- 2) Vitamin D or VD receptor activators in CKD?
- 3) CKD-MBD: is it really a syndrome?
- 4) Sclerostin: an overview

Peritoneal dialysis

- Treatment of heart failure with PD
- 2) PD viable therapy
- 3) Assessment of fluid status in PD patients
- 4) Key performance indicators in PD

Different perspectives of peritoneal dialysis

- 1) New insight into the peritoneal membrane biology
- 2) Immune response in the peritoneal membrane
- 3) Peritonal sclerosis
- 4) EutriPD European Training and Research in Peritoneal Dialysis



Delivery and quantification of dialysis1) Intensified dialysis? What is new?

- Can dialysis be personalised?
- 3) The wearable kidney
 4) Appropriate dose of intensified dialysis

The novel uremic toxins: what did we learn recently?

- The volatile uremic toxins
- Proteomic analysis: what's new? Metabolomic analysis: what's new?
- 4) Protein bound toxin's beyond indoxylsulfate: what's new?

International Practices and Improved Dialysis Outcomes: DOPPS

- 1) Extending the reach of the DOPPS program in Europe
- 2) CKDopps: Improving outcomes in advanced CKD and the
- transition to dialysis
 3) PDOPPS: Unifying efforts to improve outcomes in peritoneal
- 4) Global trends in vascular access use, associated practices, and outcomes
- 5) Have recent policy changes in Europe impacted clinical practice in dialysis?

Track 8 **KIDNEY TRANSPLANTATION**

Regenerative Medicine - Update

- 1) Generation of functional thyroid from embryonic stem cells 2) Directed differentiation of human pluripotent stem cells into intestinal tissue in vitro
- 3) In vivo maturation of functional renal organoids formed from embryonic cell suspensions
 4) Repair of injured kidney tissue: dream or reality?

Immunity and immunosuppression 1) Overview of transplant tolerance 2) Personalised immunosuppression

- Omics analysis in chronic transplant rejection
- 4) Interplay between innate and adaptive immunity in transplant rejection and tolerance

Pro-con debate: should we transplant everybody?

- 1) Kidney allocation?2) Best fit or longest wait?

Infectious complications in transplant patients

- Post transplant invasive fungal infections
 Tuberculosis. Still a major problem in the post-transplant period
- 3) BKV nephropathy: an evolving problem in renal transplantation
- 4) Evolution of the CMV immune response

Cardiac risks in kidney transplant recipients 1) Endothelial dysfunction in kidney transplant recipients 2) Vascular calcification and stiffness in kidney transplants

- Is it possible to apply immunosuppression without causing cardiovascular damage?

4) The link between renal allograft dysfunction and cardiovascular risk

SPECIAL SYMPOSIA

- Ethics
- Highlights of the American Society of Nephrology (ASN)
- Highlights of the International Society of Nephrology (ISN)
- Joint symposium with the Chinese Society of Nephrology
- Joint symposium with The Lancet
- Late Breaking Clinical Trials
- Young Nephrologist's Platform

LITERATURE UPDATES

PRE-CONGRESS ACTIVITIES

CME COURSES

- Rheumatology for nephrologists
- Epidemiology
- Renal histology
- Renal denervation
- Renal imaging
- Kidney stones
- Peritoneal dialysis
- Intensified dialysis therapy
- Disorders of mineral and electrolyte metabolism and acidbase balance
- Geriatric nephrology
- Intensive care nephrology: old and new challenges
- Vascular access: a key to improve clinical outcomes in haemodialysis patients

WORKING GROUPS

- EURECA-m (EUropean REnal and CArdiovascular Medicine Working Group)
- IWG (Immunonephrology Working Group)
- WGIKD (Working Group on Inherited Kidney Disorders)
- DESCARTES (Developing Education Science and Care for Renal Transplantation in European States)
- EUDIAL (European Dialysis Working Group)
- CKD-MBD (Working Group on Chronic Kidney Disease Mineral and Bone Disorders)
- DIABESITY (Working Group on Diabetes and Obesity)
- EUTox (European Uremic Toxins Working Group)





Submission of Abstracts

Communications should concern all aspects of nephrology, the prevention and treatment of renal diseases and associated conditions or the scientific background to the study of the kidney.

GENERAL RULES

All abstracts must be submitted electronically through the congress website at the address www.era-edta2014.org.

All abstracts must be received by January 24, 2014.

Abstracts received after this date cannot be considered by the Paper Selection Committee.

CONFIRMATION

You will automatically receive an e-mail confirming our receipt of your abstract.

NOTIFICATION

The Presenting Author of each abstract accepted for publication will be notified by April 1, 2014. If the Presenting Author is unable to present the abstract, another co-author can take his/her place. A letter from the Presenting Author about the change is requested and must be received by the ERA-EDTA Congress Office no later than April 14, 2014.

WITHDRAWAL / CHANGES

Submitted abstracts cannot be withdrawn or changed. No exceptions will be made.

ORIGINAL ABSTRACTS

Submitted abstracts must describe unpublished work which is not already in press and which is not awaiting possible acceptance by any other society that publishes its proceedings.

HOW TO SUBMIT ABSTRACTS

Only submission through the congress website is possible. Abstracts sent by post or e-mail will not be accepted. You can send your abstracts from October 28, 2013. Please go to the congress website at the address www.eraedta2014.org and follow the instructions for abstract submission.

All authors of correctly written and successfully submitted abstracts will receive confirmation by e-mail. Should you experience any unforeseen problems with the electronic submission, please contact the ERA-EDTA Congress Office at abstracts@era-edta.org.

Do not mail or fax your abstract to the ERA-EDTA Congress Office.

PUBLICATION

All abstracts accepted for presentation (either oral or poster) will appear in NDT. Abstracts will appear exactly as submitted.

Any abstract considered unsuitable for reproduction will not be published.

LATE BREAKING CLINICAL TRIALS

The results of late breaking clinical trials of extraordinary importance that have not yet been presented elsewhere can be submitted through the congress website (www.era-edta2014.org) from March 3 to 27, 2014 if the data analysis could not be performed prior to the regular abstract deadline. Studies submitted through this "late breaking trial" track, which do not meet these criteria, will not be considered for presentation.

COLLABORATION BETWEEN ERA-EDTA AND THE LANCET

The ERA-EDTA is happy to announce a very interesting initiative and unique opportunity to have high quality papers on original research focusing on any aspect of kidney disease published in a special themed issue of The Lancet. Priority will be given to randomised trials that advance the evidence base relevant to treatment of disease, but any studies that have the potential to change clinical practice are also welcome. Authors of accepted publications will be invited to present their research at the Lancet-ERA-EDTA joint symposium during the 51st ERA-EDTA Congress in Amsterdam.

Articles should be submitted online at: http://ees.elsevier.com/thelancet

Reports of Late-Breaking clinical trials will be considered for fast-track review and the deadline for these fast-track submissions is February 21, 2014. The deadline for all other articles is November 20, 2013. If you also wish to submit your research to the ERA-EDTA as an abstract for the annual congress in Amsterdam, during the online abstract submission at www.eraedta2014.org you will be asked to inform the organisers of your simultaneous submission to The Lancet.

Submission of Abstracts Travel Grants



IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR YOUNG ABSTRACT AUTHORS

ERA-EDTA STANLEY SHALDON AWARD FOR YOUNG INVESTIGATORS

If you are 40 years old or younger, and your abstract is considered one of the best ones submitted to the last three ERA-EDTA Congresses, you can win the ERA-EDTA Stanley Shaldon Award for Young Investigators.

The winner will receive the award during the Opening Ceremony of the annual ERA-EDTA Congress.

The award consists in a special invitation to participate in the ERA-EDTA Congress in which the award is given; three years of ERA-EDTA membership; an ex-officio position in the Young Nephrologists' Platform Board and a prize of EUR 10,000.00. Do not miss this unique opportunity to submit your abstract to the ERA-EDTA!

For more information you can go to our website www.era-edta.org (click on "About ERA-EDTA" and then on "ERA-EDTA Awards").

YOUNG NEPHROLOGISTS' PLATFORM "FREE MEMBERSHIP PROJECT"

A 1-year free membership will be given, automatically, to the 30 young people who have submitted an accepted abstract to an ERA-EDTA Congress. Only young people (< 40 years of age) who are already ERA-EDTA MEMBERS and YNP MEMBERS can receive this free ERA-EDTA membership.

More information will be available during the abstract submission procedure.

Abstract submission deadline: JANUARY 24, 2014

Travel Grants

Also this year the ERA-EDTA has decided to give up to 90 travel grants to attend the Amsterdam Congress to the best rated abstracts in the various categories. The Presenting Authors must be 40 years old, or younger, by December 31, 2014.

All awardees will receive:

- a) Free congress membership;
- b) A grant for EUR 500.00, except for the Presenting Authors of the best abstracts of each category whose grant will be of EUR 1,000.00.

The Presenting Authors of the two best abstracts of each category, independently of age, will also receive a diploma. For details on how to apply, please refer to the Congress website at the address www.era-edta2014.org.

We "ASQ" for your help for young nephrologists in disadvantaged areas

Over 7600 delegates coming from 127 countries attended the 2013 ERA-EDTA Congress, held in Istanbul on May 18-21, and took advantage of a high quality and varied programme which incorporated the latest developments and ideas in basic, translational and clinical science.

ERA-EDTA has circulated an electronic congress feedback questionnaire aimed at collecting impressions, suggestions and remarks related to this event. If you attended the ERA-EDTA Congress in Istanbul, we warmly invite you to complete this questionnaire that should take no more than 5 minutes of your time to answer. Not only you will be providing us with very useful information so that we can improve the ERA-EDTA future congresses, but also help young colleagues living in developing countries (GPD < USD 10,000) to attend the ERA-EDTA Congress in Amsterdam next year! In fact for every 200 feedback questionnaires that are completed, ERA-EDTA will offer one congress grant!

This initiative, named Altruistic Support by Questionnaire (ASQ), will become part of the exclusive ERA-EDTA advantages for young nephrologists living in disadvantaged areas of the world where education and scientific updates are needed. Information on how to apply will be posted in due time at www.era-edta.org.

Meanwhile, please complete the congress feedback questionnaire on the Istanbul Congress website www.era-edta2013. org and submit your comments and preferences. Your opinion is important to us!





Abstract Categories

A) Acid-base/Na, K, Cl. Proteins and cell physiology

Physiology and pathophysiology of acid-base equivalents (H+, NH4, HCO3), Na, K, Cl and related channels, transporters and exchangers, ammoniagenesis. Water and osmolality regulation. Distribution of proteins in cell membranes and protein trafficking. Endo and exocytosis. Cell polarity in health and disease. Water and osmolality regulation including cell volume regulation, vasopressin and urine concentration, organic solutes. Channels and receptors related with these themes.

B) Cell signalling. Cell growth control and related alterations (hypertrophy, hyperplasia and apoptosis) including neoplasia.

Abstracts related with cell signalling including signalling by lipid and lipid mediated pathways, protein-kinases, G-proteins and other pathways should be submitted in this section. Studies focused on the functioning of receptors, ligands and mediators that intervene in cell growth regulation and related alterations.

C) Renal development and cystic diseases

Experimental studies on physiological and pathological renal development. Clinical studies on cystic renal diseases, including polycystic renal diseases.

D) Genetic diseases and molecular genetics

Clinical studies of all aspects of genetic renal diseases (cystic diseases excluded) including genetic polymorphisms. Studies related with gene therapy. Molecular genetics studies in renal diseases and in experimental models.

E) Hormones

Cardiac natriuretic peptides and natriuretic peptides in general, catecholamines and neuropeptides/neurotransmitters. Thyroid and pituitary hormones. Sex hormones and steroids. Studies submitted in this section should look at basic mechanisms and related alterations rather than to human pathophysiology and clinical physiology.

F) Hypertension

Animal and *in vitro* studies on mechanisms related with BP control (from autacoids to hormones) and BP alterations. Clinical studies (diagnosis, prognosis, therapy and pathophysiology) dealing with all forms of human hypertension (HT) from primary HT to various sec. forms (pheochromocytoma, renovascular, hyperaldosteronism, pregnancy). Studies on renal haemodynamics in normotensive and hypertensive humans should be submitted in this section.

G) Acute Kidney Injury

G1) Experimental models.

Studies in various experimental models (cells and cell organelles, animal models of AKI) investigating mechanisms of AKI (e.g. ischemia, hypoxia, oxidative stress and other mechanisms). Molecular biology, genomic and proteomics studies dealing with AKI should be submitted in this section.

G2) Human studies.

Any study dealing with human AKI from epidemiology to clinical outcome and AKI induced by toxic substances.

H) Clinical Nephrology, Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD)

H1) Lab methods, progression & risk factors for CKD 1-5, nutrition in CKD, renal diseases (except GNs and cystic diseases)

Studies related with laboratory methods as applied to the diagnosis, follow-up and treatment of renal diseases. Studies related with renal diseases other than glomerular and cystic diseases. Studies on nutrition and physical exercise in CKD stages 1-5. Any study related with renal disease progression and risk factors for progression.

H2) General and Clinical Epidemiology and CKD 1-5. Epidemiology, outcome research, health services research in CKD 1-5. General and clinical epidemiology in CKD 1-5. Mortality and morbidity studies in CKD 1-5 including cardiovascular complications, mortality and morbidity. Quality of life in CKD. Studies related with the cost and the allocation of resources in CKD 1-5.

H3) Anaemia in CKD 1-5.

Basic and clinical studies related with pathophysiology, diagnosis and treatment of anaemia in CKD 1-5.

H4) Bone disease in CKD 1-5.

Basic and clinical studies related with pathophysiology, diagnosis and treatment of Ca/P, vitamin D, PTH disorders in CKD 1-5.

H5) Pathophysiology and clinical studies in CKD 1-5. All studies related with metabolic and other complications of CKD 1-5 except cardiovascular complications, anaemia and bone disease.

H6) Nutrition, inflammation and oxidative stress in CKD 1-5.

Studies on nutrition, inflammation and oxidative stress in relation to cardiovascular disease and outcome in CKD 1-5.

I) Diabetes

11) Basic research in diabetes.

Animal and in vitro studies on mechanisms (including molecular mechanisms) related with diabetes and diabetic sequels.

Abstract Categories



12) Clinical studies.

Clinical studies dealing with diabetes including diabetic nephropathy and mechanism of diabetic nephropathy as investigated in human studies. Studies dealing with insulin resistance in man and metabolic syndrome should be submitted in this category.

J) Acid base and N/K related diseases, nephrolithiasis, divalent ions and divalent ions disorders

Clinical studies dealing with Acid base and N/K related diseases, nephrolithiasis, divalent ions and divalent ions disorders.

K) Clinical Nephrology, primary and secondary glomerulonephritis

Clinical studies dealing with primary and secondary glomerulonephritis

L) Renal pathology

L1) Experimental pathology.

Experimental pathology studies focusing on factors regulating cell growth and differentiation, apoptosis and mechanisms leading to cell damage. Studies on biology and pathology of all cellular components of the nephron (podocytes, mesangial, endothelial, tubular and interstitial cells) and factors involved in the maintenance of nephron integrity (e.g. integrity and damage of the of the glomerular barrier in models of human diseases). Experimental studies dealing with the biology and pathology extracellular matrix and renal fibrosis.

L2) Immune and inflammatory mechanisms.

Experimental studies related with the immune system as related to renal diseases. Experimental studies focusing on inflammatory factors (cytokines, oxidative stress), coagulation, complement and angiogenesis.

L3) Renal histopathology.

Studies focusing on renal biopsy-derived information as related to the diagnosis, prognosis and treatment of renal diseases.

M) Dialysis

M1) Extracorporeal dialysis: techniques and adequacy. Studies based on standard haemodialysis, haemofiltration and haemodiafiltration and dealing with treatment adequacy and indicators of adequacy (kt/v and other indicators, middle molecules and biomarkers of adequacy). Biocompatibility, anticoagulation, nocturnal and long dialysis studies should be submitted in this section.

M2) Peritoneal dialysis.

Experimental and clinical studies on PD

M3) Cardiovascular complications in CKD 5D.

Cardiovascular complications in CKD 5D, Studies on physical exercise in CKD 5D. Studies on cardiovascular complications and risk factor for cardiovascular diseases in haemodialysis patients.

M4) Vascular access in dialysis.

Clinical and experimental studies on vascular access.

M5) Anaemia in CKD 5D.

Basic and clinical studies related with pathophysiology, diagnosis and treatment of anaemia in CKD 5D.

M6) Bone disease in dialysis patients.

Basic and clinical studies related with pathophysiology, diagnosis and treatment of Ca/P, vitamin D, PTH disorders in CKD 5D.

M7) Pathophysiology and clinical studies in CKD 5D patients.

All studies related with metabolic and other complications of CKD 5D except cardiovascular complications, anaemia and bone disease.

M8) Epidemiology, outcome research, health services research in CKD 5D.

General and clinical epidemiology in CKD 5D. Studies related with mortality and morbidity and in CKD 5D (except studies dealing with cardiovascular mortality and morbidity). Quality of life in CKD 5D. Studies related with the cost and the allocation of resources in CKD 5D.

M9) Protein-energy wasting, inflammation and oxidative stress in CKD 5D

Studies on nutrition, inflammation and oxidative stress in relation to cardiovascular disease and outcome in CKD 5D.

N) Renal Transplantation

N1) Transplantation basic science and immune-tolerance of allogenic and xenogenic transplants.

All experimental studies related with mechanism(s) related with rejection, from molecular and cell pathology to animal models. New immunosuppressant drugs tested in animal models

N2) Clinical epidemiology of renal transplantation.

Studies on diagnosis, prognosis and treatment as related to renal transplantation. Clinical trials in renal transplantation. Epidemiologic studies and studies dealing with mortality, cardiovascular complications. Studies on allograft dysfunction.

O) Paediatric nephrology

All studies on paediatric nephrology.





Congress Information

CME COURSES

The CME Courses on May 31, 2014 have a maximum number of participants depending on the session hall capacity. Courses are free of charge for all regularly registered participants. More information will be available in the CME Courses section online.

CONGRESS MEMBERSHIP

Congress membership includes:

- Admission to Scientific and Poster Sessions, Opening Ceremony, Welcome Reception and Industrial Exhibition.
- Refreshments/coffee breaks.
- CME Courses on May 31, 2014 (see above).
- Congress bag.
- Final Programme.
- Abstract CD-ROM.
- Certificate of Attendance.
- CME Credit Certificate.

The registration fee does not include any other benefit besides the ones mentioned above.

The badge will be available onsite at the proper desks at the Amsterdam RAI, unless the pre-registered participants and sponsors request it during the online registration.

Congress bags can be picked up at the bag desk located near the Registration Area starting May 30, 2014 at 11.00 hrs. In order to pick up their congress bag each participant will

have to show their original badge for scanning.

Please note that admission to the Registration Area will be strictly forbidden to all until May 30, 2014 at 11.00 hrs. Registration will continue for the whole duration of the congress: check the Final Programme for full timetable. For any kind of information regarding the online preregistration system, please check the Congress Membership

Rules at page 17-19.

HOW TO GET THE CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE

All regularly registered delegates can collect their certificate of attendance at the appropriate desk ("Certificate of Attendance") located in the Registration Area starting May 31, 2014. To obtain the certificate of attendance, it is mandatory to go to this desk and have the <u>original</u> badge scanned; so if you are attending the entire congress, ask for your certificate only on the last day. The certificate of attendance for the whole congress will be given on June 3, 2014 only.

If you are not able to go to this desk to collect your certificate due to other commitments, you can send a written request to the ERA-EDTA Congress Office after the congress (e-mail: registrations@era-edta.org), it will then

be sent to you by e-mail.

INSURANCE/LIABILITY

The ERA-EDTA is insured only to meet claims arising from incidents caused by the organisers and their equipment. Participants, exhibitors and visitors are strongly recommended to be properly insured against accidents they may suffer when travelling to and from the Congress and during the Congress itself.

LANGUAGE OF THE CONGRESS

The official language of the Congress is English. No simultaneous translation will be available.

PRESS CENTRE

For accredited journalists only. Full press working facilities and activities including press conferences, press releases and services for press will be available at the Amsterdam RAI during the Congress.

UEMS CME CREDITS

The 51st ERA-EDTA Congress and the pre-congress CMEs are accredited by the European Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (EACCME) to provide the following CME activity for medical specialists. The EACCME is an institution of the European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS).

ECMECs credits are recognized in the following countries: Armenia, Austria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, Turkey and United Kingdom. Delegates receiving certificates for ECMEC credits must contact their National Accreditation Authority to have the credits recognized (or converted) in their country of practice.

EACCME credits are recognized by the American Medical Association towards the Physician's Recognition Award (PRA). To convert EACCME credit to AMA PRA category 1 credit, contact the AMA.

The total number of CME credits given to the ERA-EDTA Amsterdam Congress will be posted on the website (www. era-edta2014.org) as soon as they are available.

How to receive UEMS CME credits

ERA-EDTA will track attendance of congress members during the congress in the Amsterdam RAI each day.

All regularly registered congress members must go to the session halls and have their badge scanned by the hostesses at the entrance (at participant's own responsibility). Congress members will then be awarded the number of credits towards the hours actually spent participating in the sessions of the congress.

ERA-EDTA will send UEMS CME Certificate only upon specific request. Regularly registered congress members can either request to receive it by post or e-mail at the UEMS CME desk (starting May 30, 2014) during the congress or in writing to cmecredits@era-edta.org. The certificate will be then sent after the congress, approximately 4/6 weeks after it is finished.

VENUE

Amsterdam RAI Europaplein - NL 1078 GZ Amsterdam www.rai.nl/en/Pages/default.aspx

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Congress Membership Rules



CONGRESS MEMBERSHIP RULES

Important: by submitting your registration form you accept and agree with the registration rules. Please read the preregistration rules before beginning the procedure.

CONGRESS MEMBERSHIP FEES

	EARLY by February 26, 2014	LATE btw February 27 and April 23, 2014
ERA-EDTA Member*	EUR 200.00	EUR 330.00
Non-Member	EUR 350.00	EUR 445.00

^{*}ERA-EDTA Membership in good standing.

METHOD OF PRE-REGISTRATION

- All registrations must be submitted online at www.eraedta2014.org.
- No registration is valid without payment, and both must be done at the same time.
- All references to a date or a deadline, mentioned in this and other meeting documents, refer to the Central European Time zone (CET).
- In case you are not able to complete your online registration because of a system error, please inform the ERA-EDTA Registration Dept and provide details of the error message on your computer and/or a screenshot of the page. E-mail: registrations@era-edta.org, fax +39-0521-959242.
- Requests to register via e-mail, fax or phone cannot be taken into consideration: all participants and sponsors must register through the online registration procedure.
- If you are unable to attend the congress you can cancel your registration, within certain limits and conditions (see the Cancellation Policy terms).
- Name changes are not allowed, so you cannot transfer your registration to another person.

ERA-EDTA MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

New applicants and members with outstanding membership fees, wishing to sign up/pay for ERA-EDTA membership in order to benefit from the reduced congress membership registration fee, must apply for membership, or pay the outstanding fees, no later than 10 working days prior to the respective registration deadline.

CANCELLATION POLICY

Before April 23, 2014	After April 23, 2014
75% of the amount paid,	no refund of the amount
net of bank charges.	paid
The deadline to claim	
reimbursement is	
October 31, 2014	

All reimbursements will be done after the congress. If the badge is used, there cannot be any refund.

METHOD OF PAYMENT

- You can pay online by credit card (Visa, MasterCard and American Express) at the same time as you submit your registration or
- By direct money transfer to the ERA-EDTA bank account below.

Payments by bank transfer must be done as soon as you receive your e-confirmation or at the latest within 5 working days.

Euro (EUR) is the only accepted currency.

The bank's fees for the money transfer must be paid by the sender. If the amount you send is incorrect and not sufficient to cover your registration fee your registration will not be valid.

Be sure to include, as the reason for payment, your name and congress registration identification number (written in your e-confirmation), otherwise it will not be possible for ERA-EDTA to match your payment with your registration. If you pay by bank transfer, remember to register online: failure to do this will mean that you will not be included in the pre-registered participants list and will have to register at the new fees.

If you are a sponsor and are registering a group, include, as the reason for payment, the company name and registration identification number of group.

 Cash payments will be accepted only for onsite registrations.

ERA-EDTA Bank details for transfers:

Beneficiary: European Renal Association -European Dialysis and Transplant Association UBS AG, 45, Bahnhofstrasse

CH-8098 Zurich, Switzerland.

Account number: 236-473.242.60 E BIC (SWIFT): UBSWCHZH80A

IBAN: CH75 0023 6236 4732 4260 E





Congress Membership Rules

INVOICES AND RECEIPTS

- If you need to be billed in order to make a payment, please tick the appropriate box in the online form, section "payment". Please note that ERA-EDTA will not issue VAT invoices. In fact this congress is an educational initiative for professionals, directly provided by a Registered Charity (ERA-EDTA) and not subject to VAT.
- Receipts are not sent automatically. If you need one, remember to tick the appropriate box in the registration form.

CONFIRMATION AND DELIVERY OF CONGRESS MATERIALS

- The badge will be available onsite at the proper desks at the Amsterdam RAI, unless the pre-registered participants and sponsors request it during the online registration.
- Congress bags and badge-holders can be picked up at the Bag Distribution Desk located in the Registration Area of the Amsterdam RAI, starting May 30, 2014 at 11.00 a.m., by having your original badge scanned.
- If you have requested your badge while pre-registering, do not forget it! A replacement badge will cost EUR 20.00.
- If you are registered by a sponsor, the company or institution that is inviting you may have chosen to receive your materials, in that case they will be responsible for handing it to you. If you need further information, please contact the sponsor.

EXTRA INFORMATION FOR GROUP PRE-REGISTRATION

- If you need to register 3 or more delegates, your company can choose the group option that will enable you to download and save on your pc an excel sheet from the congress website before registering. You must then fill it in (offline) with the requested details of your guests, and submit it online only at a later stage, after you are sure it is complete, together with the payment. The entire procedure must be completed within the set deadlines.
- The confirmation letters will be sent to the company contact person or to another person that will be named, at the address provided.
- If you request to receive your guests' badges before the congress, please provide just one address, as the ERA-EDTA will not send the congress materials to multiple addresses.
- A personal business or home address form each guest must be inserted in the list: we cannot accept agency or sponsor address and the addresses cannot be the same for all guests.

Registrations without this information will not be accepted. ERA-EDTA will not send the materials to your guests, but only to the company sponsoring the guests.

If you need any more details, please refer to individual registration rule policy for all other information.

GROUP REGISTRATIONS WITH DEFERRED LIST (Blank List)

- If you represent a company or an institution that wishes to pre-register a group of 10 or more delegates, you can take advantage of the Blank List method (you may check the rule policy at step 1 of the online registration procedure). This procedure has two separate stages.
- In the first stage, within the deadline of February 26, 2014, you must make the appropriate booking, through the specific online form and pay the due amount.
- In the second stage, you must upload your full and final excel spreadsheet list by means of the online form by the set deadline.
- Full information and links will be in the e-confirmation that you will receive after you have finished the online registration.

ONSITE REGISTRATIONS

- Onsite registrations will start on May 30, 2014, at 11.00.
- To register onsite you will have to use the self-service computers in the Registrations Area of the Amsterdam RAI ('New Registrations' counters). The Registration Counters will be operative until 19.00. Registration will continue for the whole duration of the congress (check the Final Programme for full timetable).
- You will receive your badge immediately, and then you will be able to collect your bag, lanyard and badge holder at the Bag Distribution counters by having your original badge scanned.
- New applicants and members with outstanding membership fees, wishing to sign up/pay for ERA-EDTA membership in order to benefit from the reduced congress membership registration fee, must apply for membership and/or pay their outstanding fees, no later than 10 working days prior to the first day of registration (May 16, 2014) or partial registration deadline.
- You can pay by credit card (Visa, MasterCard or American Express) or by cash (Euro is the only accepted currency). Make sure that you have your credit card code or PIN to process and authorize the charge. If your credit card requires security certification for online payments, please be sure to have the relevant password.

Congress Membership Rules

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- You can make your payment in advance by direct money transfer (same account as for pre-registrations) and bring the original debit slip issued by your bank, with you. If you pay the late fee by bank transfer after the late deadline, you will be asked to pay the difference onsite.
- We regret to inform that payments by cheque cannot be accepted.

Onsite registration fees	
Member of ERA-EDTA	EUR 350.00
Non-Member	EUR 470.00
Student/Trainee*	EUR 250.00
Local Student**	EUR 50.00
1 Day fee (ERA-EDTA Members)	EUR 120.00
1 Day fee (non Members)	EUR 160.00

A handling fee of EUR 60.00 will be applied to the onsite registration cancellations.

NOTES to the ONSITE FEES

*In order to be eligible for this fee, students/trainees must be 35 years old, thus the birth year must not be earlier than 1979 and the registration is not sponsored by a company/agency/institution etc. You must personally give a photocopy of your picture ID (passport, identity card, driving license with birth date), a photocopy of your original student's card and a signed letter from your mentor/university to prove your student/trainee status. ERA-EDTA reserves the right to verify all declarations.

**This exceptionally low congress membership fee is reserved for students living in the country where the congress is held (The Netherlands). In order to be eligible for this fee, local students must be 28 years old, thus the birth year must not be earlier than 1986 and the registration is not sponsored by a company/agency/institution etc. In order to register with this special fee you must personally give a photocopy of your picture ID (passport, identity card, driving license with birth date), a photocopy of your original Dutch student's card and a signed original letter from your Dutch mentor/university to prove your student status. ERA-EDTA reserves the right to verify all declarations.

1 Day registrations cannot be made in advance and are available only onsite, starting May 30, 2014.

This type of registration entitles admission to the session and poster halls only on the date mentioned on the congress badge and to receive the bag (type 2), the proper EACCME/UEMS Credits and Certificate of Attendance



for that same day. It is also possible to make two one-day registrations if you are able to attend the congress for two days (consecutive or not).

These congress membership fees are available only onsite.

PARTIAL ONSITE REGISTRATIONS

This registration allows participants, who did not preregister to register online within certain limits and deadlines, pay the onsite fee and print their badge directly at the Amsterdam RAI.

No documents will be sent before the congress. For all information check the online registration link, available after the late deadline of April 23, 2014.

DISCLAIMER

ERA-EDTA collects and processes personal information to provide you with the details regarding ERA-EDTA and its activities.

This information will be used for accounting and commercial purposes by ERA-EDTA and/or Euromeetings srl in compliance with the Italian Legislative Decree 195/2003 and in accordance with the eight Data Protection Principles contained in the UK's Data Protection Act 1998.

Each participant will receive a badge with name and barcode. The bar code contains all information which was filled in the registration form and can be accessed by ERA-EDTA only.

Accepting to have the badge scanned at the Industry Symposia and Industrial Exhibition, the participant provides the company with the information (name, address and e-mail) already given to ERA-EDTA.

Congress members can ask that this information be changed, corrected or cancelled at any time by contacting the ERA-EDTA Headquarters.



Frequently Asked Questions about Registrations

1. I have become a member of ERA-EDTA very recently and I have not yet received my Membership Card and number.

If the deadline is approaching you can contact the ERA-EDTA Membership Office (membership@era-edta.org) and explain the problem. Your position will be verified and you will be provided with your number (either a provisional one, or your definitive membership number).

2. I am a member of ERA-EDTA but when I type my membership number in the form the system says my status is not regular.

This can happen in three cases: 1. You have not yet paid this year's membership fee. 2. You have made your payment only one or two days ago. 3. You have not typed your name as it is printed in your ERA-EDTA membership card. In case 1, settle your membership fee and wait for one week before trying again to register for the congress. In case 2, try again to register a full week has passed from your payment. In case 3, go back to step 2 and insert your name exactly as it is printed in the ERA-EDTA membership card.

3. I became an ERA-EDTA Member a few days ago, but I still cannot register and the congress registration deadline is soon: can I register as non-member and the request to be reimbursed?

Yes, as soon as you pay your ERA-EDTA Membership fee, you will be reimbursed for the difference between the members' and non-members' congress registration fee.

4. I have made my online registration before February 26, 2014 and ticked the "Paid by direct money transfer" box, but I have been able to make the payment only after that date. Will I be considered as registered or not?

By making your payment after the deadline you have missed the opportunity of the Early Registration rate. Your registration will be held in a "stand-by" until you pay the difference between the Late Registration rate and the Early Registration one. You will receive your confirmation only after settling the full amount.

5. I have registered and paid well in advance, but I have not yet received my badge, which I requested during the online registration procedure. Should I contact the ERA-EDTA Congress Office to enquire?

Badges and congress materials are sent after the respective deadlines, so if you have registered several weeks before the deadline please wait. However, if the deadline is already two weeks past, please contact the Congress Office.

6. I have submitted an abstract and my Institute will authorize me to attend the congress only if I have a poster or an oral communication to present. The deadline for early registrations is too early for me to know if my abstract is accepted. Has ERA-

EDTA taken into consideration this kind of problem?

Yes. The only exception to the deadline for early registrations is precisely the case of people who have an accepted abstract and have not registered before the deadline. You will be able to register after February 26, 2014, but earlier than April 23, 2014, and pay the early registration fee. You will find information about it in the acceptance letter of your abstract.

7. I have received my badge, but now I cannot find it. Will I be able to get a replacement onsite?

Yes, but you will have to pay EUR 20.00 for it.

8. I have been registered by a company and I would like to receive my badge in advance. Can I obtain it from the ERA-EDTA Congress Office?

No, your badge and vouchers have been sent to the sponsor. The company that invited you is responsible for giving them to you.

9. I have registered for the congress, afterwards a company has offered to sponsor my participation. Can I transfer my original registration to a colleague?

No. Each registration is strictly personal. You will have your original registration refunded by ERA-EDTA, but your colleague will have to make a new registration.

10. I am registering a group of doctors on behalf of a sponsor. I am asked to provide addresses for each of them, but I don't have this information. What can I do?

Address details of company/agency will not be accepted and the registration of your guests will not be accepted with these details.

If you do not have these details during registration procedure, you must supply them even at a later stage by and no later than the April 23, 2014 deadline, however you must supply at least the hospital, city, country and e-mail for each guest

11. I registered for the congress well in advance, but now I have found I cannot attend. Can I transfer my registration to a colleague?

No. Each registration is strictly personal and cannot, at any time, be transferred to another person. You can receive your money back (minus 25% for handling charges) if you cancel your registration before April 23, 2014. After this date no refund is however possible.

12. I must cancel my registrations. Can I do it by phone?

No. Cancellations must be sent in writing by April 23, 2014 (post, e-mail or fax). Please provide all the details that can help the ERA-EDTA Congress Office to identify you correctly, e.g. give your first name in full and not just the initials, mention the type of registration you had, quote your registration number if you had already received your confirmation.

Frequently Asked Questions about Registrations



13. I have cancelled my registration well before April 23, 2014 but I have not yet received the refund I was promised.

All refunds are done only after the congress.

form online.

14. I have missed the Late Registration deadline.
Can I send a payment for the onsite registration fee and pre-register anyway?

After the late deadline April 23, 2014 and approximately a week before the congress starts, it will be possible to register by means of the partial online registration procedure: check full information, fees and deadlines in the applies of the Congress registration rules of

15. I will be able to attend this congress just for one day. Can I pre-register for that specific date?

You can register for one day, but you can do it only onsite.

the on-site chapter of the Congress registration rules or

16. Can I send a cheque to pay my registration fee?

No. Due to substantial changes in the banking system over the last few years, the time and costs for processing cheques have increased dramatically, so ERA-EDTA cannot accept this type of payment any more.

17. I see that on the first day of the congress the registration counters will close at 19.00, but I expect to arrive not earlier than 19.30. Can I inform the Congress Office in advance and ask to make an exception for me? I don't want to miss the Opening Ceremony.

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You will have to register the next day. However you will be admitted to the Opening Ceremony and to the Welcome Cocktail anyway. Badge controls will be done only for the scientific sessions.

18. What methods of payment do you accept?We accept credit cards (Visa, Mastercard and American Express) and bank transfer. Payments must be made in Euro only. Cash payments are accepted only onsite.

19. Do you accept other currencies?

We accept Euro only, however when a congress is held in a Country that does not use them, we accept local currency for onsite registration and cash only.

20. Do you offer any discounted fees?

Yes, we offer a discounted fee to all ERA-EDTA members who have regularly settled their membership fee. We also offer a discounted fee for students and trainees, however these latter fees are available only onsite.

21. How can I prove my student/trainee status in order to register on-site?

You need to ask your hospital /university a letter from your mentor on official letterhead, which confirms your status of student/trainee. All letters must be in English and must be given to the hostess at the onsite registration counters together with the other requested documents.

22. Can I cancel my pre-registration and receive a reimbursement?

Yes, within the set conditions and deadline (April 23, 2014). We must receive your cancellation by e-mail and the registration fee will be refunded deducted of 25%. Bank charges will also be deducted.

- 23. When I finished my online registration I received an e-mail: is this my confirmation?

 No. The e-mail is automatically sent when you finish your online registration. The confirmation letter with id registration number and bar code will be sent when your registration is processed.
- 24. Does the registration include lunch/dinner/transportation tickets?
 No, it does not include any of the above.
- 25. Has a shuttle bus been organised between the hotels and the congress centre?

 No, a shuttle bus has not been organised.

26. I wish to register a group of guests: can I send a list by e-mail?

No. We accept only online registrations. In order to register your guests, you must download the excel spreadsheet at step 1 of the online registration procedure, fill it in and upload it in the system as soon as ready.

27. I have registered a group of guests and now I must add more: how can I do this?

You can send your request to the ERA-EDTA Congress Office with your new list attached. We shall then give you all instructions on how to proceed with the new registration and payment.

28. I do not have the details of all of my guests: can I pay now and send the details at a later stage?

No, unless you book a blank list registration by the set deadline. Check all information, fee and deadlines in the "Group registrations with deferred list (blank list)" section. If you do not book a blank list, then both registration AND payment must be received at the same time: check full set of rules

29. Can I register onsite directly in Amsterdam?
Yes. It is possible to register each day of the congress, including May 30, 2014. For all information, check the onsite rule policy.

These FAQs do not answer your questions? Contact us: registrations@era-edta.org





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> City to Meet: let us welcome you to Amsterdam, a place of many inspiring and surprising faces. No other city mixes cosmopolitan style and relaxed atmosphere quite like Amsterdam, where our hospitable nature attracts an excitingly diverse population. We invite you to join us and make our metropolis your own during your stay.

Amsterdam has excellent accessibility by air, by rail and road. The city's network of canals also offers a unique opportunity to transport you as a delegate via the water and experience Amsterdam from a different perspective.

- > **By air:** Amsterdam Airport Schiphol, one of the world's most modern and efficient airports. Scheduled services fly into Schiphol from at least 128 destinations within Europe and from 108 non-European destinations.
- > By train: Schiphol train station, located directly below the airport and by train you arrive at Amsterdam Central Station within 15 minutes. There are also 15 to 20 trains a day to destinations such as Brussels, Paris and Frankfurt. The NS Group comprises a number of operating companies which ensure the transportation of travellers. NS International operates the international transport of passengers by train. Operators: Thalys (Paris), ICE international (Frankfurt), Benelux (Brussels), IC (Berlin), CityNightLine (Basel, Munich). For travel information and planning, check: http://www.ns.nl/en/travellers/home

- > Local infrastructure: the compact size of Amsterdam means that almost everything is within walking distance of each other.

 Nevertheless the public transport network of buses, trams and metro is efficient, modern, reliable and inexpensive. The GVB is the public transport company of Amsterdam. Tickets can be purchased at sales machines at stations, various tobacco specialty shops, at many supermarkets and at GVB Tickets & Info.
- > By bus: long-distance Euroline buses connect Amsterdam with most European cities and are typically situated next to the main railway station. Standard buses, articulated buses, midi buses, the GVB has about 55 routes in service. In Amsterdam, buses run on routes between Amsterdam Noord (the north) to the center and between suburbs and they also provide connections between the tram network and the metro.
- > Accommodation: Amsterdam offers over 30,000 hotel rooms in total. A large variety of hotels is available; we can offer 2 star hotels (including hostels) as well as 3, 4 or 5 star hotels.

> Currency

The Dutch currency is the Euro (€). Major credit cards are accepted at most large businesses.

> Language

The mother tongue is Dutch and English is the second language in Amsterdam. In addition to this, many residents speak additional modern foreign languages.







Passport and Visa Information

INTRODUCTION

The Netherlands are a part of the EU and the EEA. Within the EU there is a so-called Schengen agreement. It proposed the gradual abolition of border checks at the signatories' common borders. 26 countries in the EU and the EEA are involved. This means people from these countries do not need a visa to enter the Netherlands. Also people from Iceland, Norway, Liechtenstein and Switzerland, that aren't part of the EU, can enter the Netherlands with only a passport.

HOW TO APPLY FOR SCHENGEN VISA

You can apply for a Schengen visa at the Dutch mission (embassy or consulate) in the country where you reside or are entitled to reside. If there is no Dutch mission in the country where you reside or where you wish to apply for a visa, you can phone the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in The Hague (+31-070-3485622 or +31-70-3485622) to ask where the nearest mission is located. For more information please contact the Immigration and Naturalisation Service (IND); website: http://english.ind.nl/, phone: 0900 123 4561 (EUR 0.10 per minute), outside The Netherlands, phone: +31 (0)20 889 304.

APPLICATION

In principle, the earliest you can be issued with a visa is 3 months before arrival at the congress. So, even if you make an appointment well in advance, if you are planning to travel on May 30, 2014 you will not be issued with the visa before the February 28, 2014.

To apply for a Schengen visa, you must complete a visa application form, sign it and affix one passport photograph to it. The passport photograph must be of good quality and measure 35x45 mm. You must submit your visa application in person at the Schengen country's mission. When doing so, you must be able to produce a passport that is no more than ten years old and will be valid for at least 90 days after your visa expires.

CONDITIONS OF SCHENGEN VISA

Depending on the purpose of your visit, you may be asked to produce certain documentary evidence, such as:

- documents showing your ability to pay your travel and accommodation expenses;
- hotel reservations, an invitation from private individuals or business connections, a legalized letter of invitation, or a guarantor's declaration;
- documents showing that you intend to return to your country of origin (such as an employer's declaration or the deeds to your home);

VISA APPLICATION FEES

The fee for a Schengen visa or transit visa is EUR 60. Travellers from the following countries pay the reduced fee of EUR 35: Georgia, Moldova, Russia, and Ukraine.

DOCUMENTS YOU SHOULD CARRY WHEN TRAVELLING ON A SCHENGEN VISA

When you travel to the Schengen Area with a Schengen visa, make sure you have with you copies of all the documents and other items of evidence that you had to produce in order to obtain the visa. A Schengen visa does not give you the automatic right to enter the Schengen Area: you may still be asked to provide information or produce documents relating to your financial resources and the duration and purpose of your visit.

You can contact the Visa Service's information line by phoning the Immigration and Naturalisation Service. Staff there should also be able to answer all your questions about Authorisations for Temporary Stay (MVVs) and other questions about admission to the Netherlands.

If you do not need a visa, you may enter the Netherlands as long as you meet the following conditions:

- you have a valid passport;
- you have enough money (EUR 34 per day);
- you have a bona fide reason for visiting The Netherlands;
- you are not considered a threat to public order, national security or international relations.

LETTER OF INVITATION

Upon request, the Organization Secretariat will be pleased to send a personal invitation to all participants, to facilitate visa requests and other formalities. This letter should NOT be considered as an offer of any kind of financial support on behalf of the organizers.

An official invitation letter can be downloaded and printed on the Congress website www.era-edta2014.org or can be requested by writing to the President of the Congress Prof. Pieter ter Wee (e-mail: visa@era-edta.org) at least three months in advance. This letter however does NOT involve any commitments by the Congress Organizers to cover fees, accommodation, travel expenses or other costs connected to the participation in the Congress. ERA-EDTA will not be held responsible for visas that are not granted.



Passport and Visa Information



List of countries whose nationals do not need a Schengen visa for a stay of up to 90 days in The Netherlands.

Albania	Denmark	Macedonia	Slovakia
Andorra	El Salvador	Malaysia	Slovenia
Antigua & Barbuda	Estonia	Malta	South Korea
Argentina	Finland	Mauritius	Spain
Australia	France	Mexico	St Kitts and Nevis
Austria	Germany	Monaco	Sweden
Bahamas	Greece	Montenegro	Switzerland
Barbados	Guatemala	New Zealand	Taiwan
Belgium	Honduras	Nicaragua	United Kingdom
Bosnia and Herzegovina	Hungary	Norway	United States
Brazil	Iceland	Panama	Uruguay
Brunei	Ireland	Paraguay	Vatican City
Bulgaria	Israel	Poland	Venezuela
Canada	Italy	Portugal	
Chile	Japan	Romania	
Costa Rica	Latvia	San Marino	
Croatia	Liechtenstein	Serbia	
Cyprus	Lithuania	Seychelles	
Czech Republic	Luxemborg	Singapore	

List of countries whose nationals need a Schengen visa for a stay of up to 90 days in The Netherlands.

Afghanistan	Colombia	Guinea-Bissau	Malawi	Palestinian Authority	Syria
Algeria	Comoros	Guyana	Maldives	Papua New Guinea	Tajikistan
Angola	Congo (brazzaville)	Haiti	Mali	Peru	Tanzania
Armenia	Cote d'Ivoire	India	Marshall Islands	The Philippines	Thailand
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Bahrain	Republic of Congo	Iran	Micronesia	Russian Federation	Togo
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Burma	Ethiopia	Kuwait	Nepal	Somalia	Ukraine
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Amsterdam RAI Hotel & Travel Service

HOTEL ACCOMMODATION

Amsterdam RAI Hotel & Travel Service (RHTS) is part of Amsterdam RAI and arranges hotel accommodation for many international conferences in Amsterdam. Amsterdam RAI Hotel & Travel Service has been appointed as the official accommodation agent for the 51st ERA-EDTA Congress 2014 in Amsterdam from May 31 – June 3, 2014.

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SELECTION OF HOTELS

In close consultation with the organization of the 51st ERA-EDTA Congress, Amsterdam RAI Hotel & Travel Service made a wide selection of hotels in Amsterdam for you in the different categories (3- to 5-star). Amsterdam RAI Hotel & Travel Service offers hotels near the Amsterdam RAI, as well as in the historical city centre of Amsterdam. As the demand for hotel rooms will be high during the 51st ERA-EDTA Congress, Amsterdam RAI Hotel & Travel Service has contracted a large amount of rooms. Nevertheless, we suggest that you to reserve your hotel room as soon as you know your exact travel dates.

HOTEL WEBSITE FOR ONLINE BOOKINGS

Amsterdam RAI Hotel & Travel Service has created a special hotel website for the 51st ERA-EDTA Congress. A link to this website is available on the congress website. On this website you can read a comprehensive description

of each hotel, including photos, a map of Amsterdam and 'How to come to the Amsterdam RAI' and you can book your hotel room online and receive a direct confirmation.

EXCELLENT HOTEL RATES

As the Amsterdam RAI Hotel & Travel Service handles hotel reservations for many events in Amsterdam throughout the year, the Amsterdam RAI Hotel & Travel Service is able to offer you the best available hotel rates for the 51st ERA-EDTA Congress.

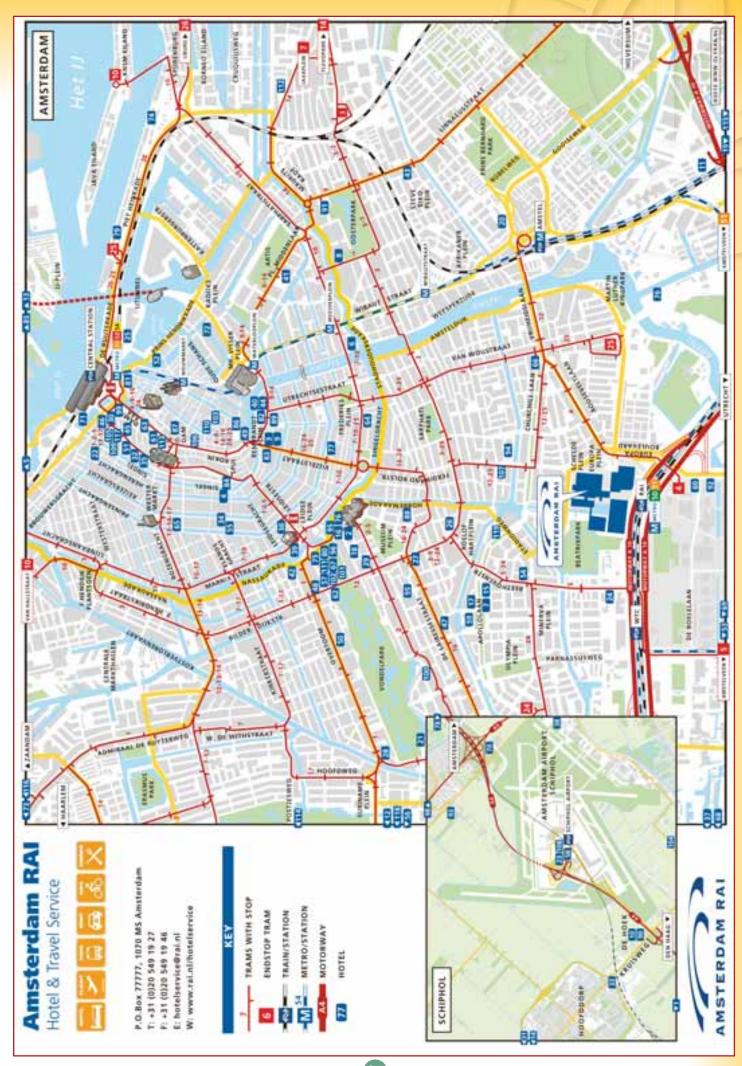
INDIVIDUAL RESERVATIONS (maximum 9 rooms)

individual reservations for up to 9 rooms can be made through the fully secured hotel website. A direct confirmation will be sent by e-mail. If you prefer to make your reservation offline, please send an e-mail or fax. All individual reservations require a guarantee with a valid credit card. The payment of your stay will be settled in the hotel. Notifications of cancellations and changes can be made online or in writing to the Amsterdam RAI Hotel & Travel Service. An administration fee of EUR 15 per room will be charged for cancellations. For cancellations received within 48 hours prior to the arrival date, the hotel is entitled to charge according to the cancellation policy.

GROUP RESERVATIONS (10 rooms or more)

Group reservations for 10 rooms or more can only be made by special request. Please choose your preferred hotel and send your exact request by e-mail or fax: number of rooms, arrival and departure dates, room type (single or double), preferred hotel and/or location and maximum room rate to hotelservice@rai.nl. A tailor-made offer will be sent to you within 2 working days following the receipt of your request. This will include the payment and cancellation conditions.





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HILTON AMSTERDAM	2	€ 245	excl.	25 minutes
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Marriott Amsterdam	3	€ 235	excl.	35 minutes
NH BARBIZON PALACE	3	€215	excl.	30 minutes
NH GRAND HOTEL KRASNAPOLSKY	3	€ 215	excl.	30 minutes
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AMSTERDAM AMERICAN HOTEL — HAMPSHIRE EDEN	3	€ 189	excl.	35 minutes
APOLLOFIRST - A HAMPSHIRE CLASSIC HOTEL	2	€ 165	incl.	20 minutes
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BEST WESTERN DELPHI HOTEL	2	€ 179	excl.	15 minutes
BILDERBERG JAN LUYKEN HOTEL	3	€ 179	excl.	25 minutes
CROWNE PLAZA AMSTERDAM CITY CENTRE	3	€ 254	excl.	35 minutes
CROWNE PLAZA AMSTERDAM SOUTH	2	€ 209	excl.	15 minutes
DIE PORT VAN CLEVE	3	€ 179	excl.	30 minutes
DOUBLETREE BY HILTON	3	€ 195	excl.	30 minutes
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FLETCHER HOTEL AMSTERDAM	4	€ 1/9	excl. excl.	45 minutes
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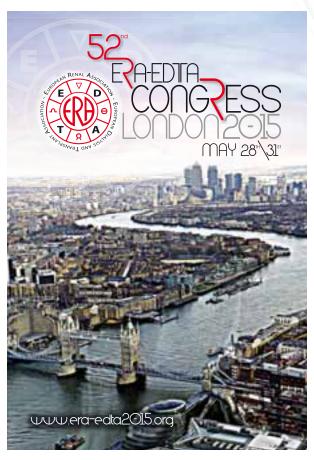
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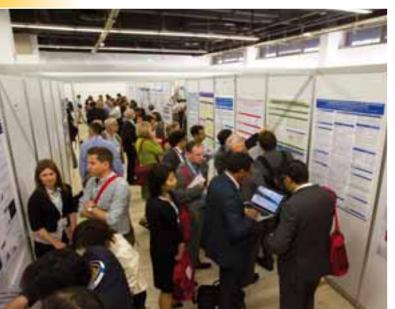
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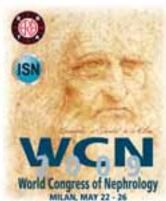
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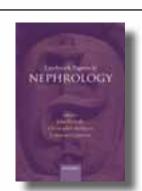
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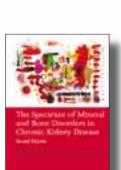
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