### **ISMH 13** — Bergen 23<sup>rd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> June 2015

## SECOND ANNOUNCEMENT AND CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

### **SECOND ANNOUNCEMENT**

Nine months ahead of the 13<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on Maritime Health (ISMH) the preparations are on schedule.

From different groups and environments we have received interesting proposals on what to include in the symposium. The scientific committee welcomes more initiatives, as you will see in the call for abstracts below.

Maritime medicine is an international discipline. Without international cooperation we cannot achieve much, but through such cooperation substantial improvement for seafarers' health worldwide is possible. The international character of shipping makes international arrangements necessary to create a level playing field, where maritime medicine plays a part.

ISMH has become an important arena for maritime health professionals from all over the world. The possibilities for presenting your research, as well as opportunities for networking and discussion in smaller interest groups make this biannual event the most important meeting place in maritime medicine.

We look forward to welcoming you to Bergen and to your contribution to what we aim to make a memorable and thought provoking event.

Registration for participation will be open from December 2014 on www.ismh13.org.

Bergen, September 2014 Alf Magne Horneland President ISMH 13

### **CALL FOR ABSTRACTS**

There will be opportunities for both oral and poster presentations at the symposium. Abstracts on all aspects of maritime health will be welcomed and the themes of the conference will be developed to reflect the range of presentations provided.

There will be five plenary sessions on:

- · Healthy shipping
- · Healthy seafarers
- Shipping operations in the offshore industry
- · Healthy fisheries
- · Adventure cruising: risks and rescue

Each will open with a keynote lecture, and this will be followed by presentations relevant to the topic, selected from those submitted.

In addition, there will be fifteen parallel sessions. These will be a mix of topic-oriented sessions of presentations selected from submitted abstracts, educational workshops on specific subjects and networking events for special interest groups. Interim proposals for these include:

- Emerging infections: maritime responses
- · Validity of tests used for medical fitness assessment
- Management of medical emergencies at sea
- · Maritime telemedicine

- · Improving port health care for seafarers
- Assistance with repatriation
- Gender and health at sea
- Crew wellness
- · Mental health and seafaring
- Seafarer dental care
- Education for maritime health professionals
- · Research in maritime health
- Medical challenges in the offshore industry
- · Maritime occupational health

Proposals for additional topics would be welcomed, as would offers to lead workshops or special interest discussion. Multiple abstracts from a group of investigators themed to reflect a particular problem that is of current importance could also form the basis for a session. If you wish to develop any such proposals other than by submitting an abstract please contact: tim.sea@doctors.org.uk.

Abstracts must be submitted electronically. Go to <a href="http://www.ismh13.org/sv/abstracts">http://www.ismh13.org/sv/abstracts</a>. Make sure you follow the instructions given, in particular your abstract must not exceed the maximum acceptable length. Also, if you are not fluent in English, please ask someone who is to check it; it will appear in the book of abstracts exactly as you submit it. The closing date for submission is 1st February 2015, but please try to submit your abstract well before this date. Abstracts will be reviewed by the symposium scientific panel and authors notified in March 2015. During February 2015 members of the panel may on occasion need to contact authors to clarify points of detail or to seek amendments to abstracts.

Those whose presentations are scheduled to be in the conference programme as posters will be sent details of the format requirements and of the arrangements for poster sessions. Those who will be contributing orally will be sent information about visual aid requirements, the timing and length of their contribution and the arrangements for question or discussion periods.

If you need earlier confirmation of likely acceptance in order to seek permission to attend or to obtain a visa then please inform anne.gurd.lindrup@helse-bergen.no.

Early confirmation will only be possible for high quality abstracts that clearly fit within the themes of the symposium.

Tim Carter
Chair, ISMH 13 Scientific Committee



# III International Scientific Congress of MARITIME, TROPICAL, HYPERBARIC and TRAVEL MEDICINE

### 20-24 MAY 2015, COPENHAGEN/OSLO

We have the honour to invite you to the Third International Congress of Maritime, Tropical, Hyperbaric and Travel Medicine, which will take place on 20–24 May 2015 on-board the DFDS SEAWAYS ferry.

The Congress is organised by:

- Polish Society of Maritime, Tropical and Travel Medicine
- Institute of Maritime and Tropical Medicine Medical University of Gdansk
- National Centres for Maritime, Tropical and Hyperbaric Medicine in Gdynia
- International Maritime Health Association, Belgium
- Divers Alert Network Europe

Events' motto: Healthcare upon the sea and in the travel

The Congress shall bring together experts in the field of medicine and related fields to facilitate the discussion and bring about solutions to the problems associated with the global challenges to the health of sea workers and general travellers.

The plenary and thematic sessions shall cover maritime, tropical, hyperbaric and travel medicine. They will be combined with cultural and socialising events.

The Congress will take place from 20th to 24th May 2015, on-board Stena Line ferry, during the Baltic Sea trip from Gdynia in Poland to Karlskrona in Sweden and on DFDS SEAWAYS ferry during the round voyage across the North Sea from Copenhagen to Oslo in Norway.

We offer the topical maritime environment, and a spectacular visit for the participants and accompanying persons to the beautiful and wonderful Copenhagen and Oslo.

We wish you a pleasant and satisfying work during the Congress.

For the Organising Committee Andrzej Kotłowski The Chairman

Robert Steffen

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### FRAMEWORK PROGRAMME

	20.05.2015 (V	Vednesday)	22.05.2015 (F	riday)
	19.00	We meet at the Stena Line Ferry	7.00-8.00	Breakfast
		Terminal in Gdynia	8.00-11.00	Plenary Session III
	19.00-20.00	Registration of participants	11.30-15.00	Sightseeing in Oslo
	20.00-20.30	Embarkation on Stena Line ferry	16.00-19.00	Plenary Session IV
	21.00	Departure from Gdynia	19.30-21.00	Dinner
	21.30-23.00	Dinner on board the ferry		
			23.05.2015 (S	aturday)
<b>21</b> .05.2015 (Thursday)		hursday)	7.00-8.00	Breakfast
	6.00-7.00	Breakfast	8.00-11.00	Congress Conclusion
	7.45	Arrival to Karlskrona	11.30-15.30	Sightseeing in Copenhagen
	8.00-12.00	Travel by bus to Copenhagen	15.30-19.00	Travel by bus to Karlskrona
	12.00-13.00	Sightseeing in Copenhagen	20.00	Embarkation to Stena Line ferry
	13.00-13.45	Embarkation on DFDS ferry	20.30-22.00	Dinner
	13.45-14.00	Registration of new participants		
	14.00-16.00	Opening Session	24.05.2015 (S	unday)
	16.00-16.15	Coffee break	6.00-7.00	Breakfast
	16.15-18.00	Plenary Session I	7.45	Checkout from the ferry
	18.00-18.15	Coffee break	8.30	Bus transfer to the train station in
	18.15-20.00	Plenary Session II		Gdynia and to the Gdansk airport
	20.45-22.00	Dinner		

Participants wishing to make a presentation of their work — should send the abstracts for consideration no later than on 30th January 2015.

More information at: www.3congress2015.pl

	Up to 30.11.14	01.12.14-31.01.15	01.02.15-31.03.15	
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Accompanying person	535 EUR	560 EUR	595 EUR	

Fees should be paid to the account of the Organising Office: MCC Consulting Sp. z o.o., ul. Jeżynowa 7, 96–300 Żyrardów, Poland BANK BPH SA account details:

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