

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

On behalf of the Organizing and Scientific Committee, it is our privilege and honour to invite you to the 11th Congress of the European Federation of Audiology Societies (EFAS) and the 50th Annual Congress of the Hungarian Society of Audiology, to be held in Budapest, Hungary, between 19-22 June, 2013.

The organizers are planning an outstanding scientific program which will cover all the up-to-date topics relating to research and clinical practice in the field of audiology.

The capitol of Hungary, Budapest, is a magical city on the River Danube, located in the heart of Europe. The historical monuments, churches and museums of our thousand-year-old state, together with the marvellous theaters and concert halls, offer a splendid touristic program.

We are convinced that the scientific program in combination with the traditionally warm Hungarian hospitality will make this congress an unforgettable experience for all participants.

We look forward to welcoming you in Budapest, Hungary.



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EFAS IN SHORT

The European Federation of Audiology Societies, EFAS, is a non-profit organization, formed as a federation of National Audiology Societies in the European countries.

Audiology is defined as the science of hearing and the alleviation of the effects of disorders of the auditory system.

The scope of EFAS is to promote cooperation, exchange of experience and knowledge of audiology within Europe, both as a scientific field and as a hearing health service offered to the public. EFAS may also act as a common spokesman for European audiology in relation to other organizations.

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PLENARY LECTURES

Internationally renowned scientists will be invited to talk about the following topics:

- Molecular Biology & Genetics of hearing (Istvan Sziklai, Debrecen)
- Time, Speech and Brain (Martin Meyer, Zürich)
- Electroacoustic and bimodal stimulation in patients with implanted hearing devices (Uwe Baumann, Frankfurt)

BEKESY-MEMORIAL SESSION

Chair: J.G. Kiss and K. Stephan

EFAS SPECIAL SESSIONS

The following sessions have been arranged to represent the current activities of EFAS:

- Bachelor/Master Education in Audiology (organized by B. Kollmeier, N. Dillier, J. Wouters)
- European School Children Hearing Screening (organized by H. Skarzynski, J. Wouters)

STRUCTURED SESSIONS

Invited lectures and discussions are being arranged covering the following topics:

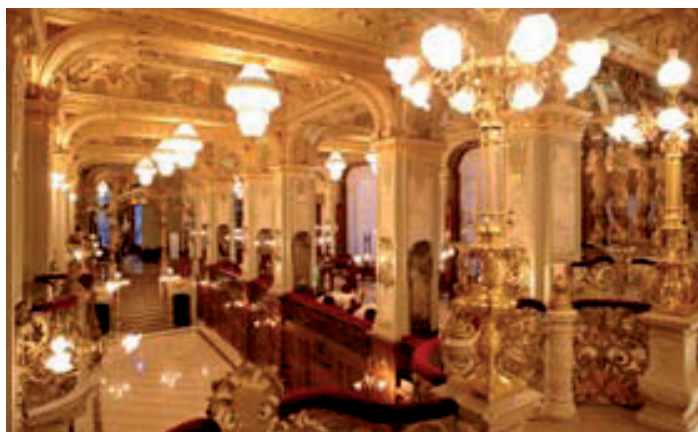
- 1.) Rehabilitation for children and adults after cochlear implantation – longterm follow-up programs in Europe
- 2.) Audiology, auditory neuropathy and genetics
- 3.) Modeling the impaired ear
- 4.) Speech tests independent from language
- 5.) Combined acoustic and electric hearing

POSTER SESSIONS

To encourage discussions among participants, free contributions are preferred in poster format. Dedicated poster sessions and special consideration of poster presenters should help to advance this presentation style.

SCIENTIFIC TOPICS

- Age Related Hearing Loss
- Audiological Rehabilitation
- Auditory neuropathy: pathogenesis and clinical findings
- Auditory Diagnosis
- Auditory Processing
- Auditory Electrophysiology
- Basic Audiology
- Basic Science and Genetics in Audiology
- Biocybernetics
- Central Auditory Disorders
- Combined acoustic and electric hearing
- Education in Audiology
- Hearing Aids
- Hearing Screening
- Imaging in Audiology
- Modeling the impaired ear
- Neurotology
- Partial Deafness Treatment
- Paediatric Audiology
- Phoniatrics
- Psychoacoustics
- Rehabilitation for children and adults after cochlear implantation - longterm follow-up programs in Europe
- Speech tests independent from language
- Telemedicine
- Tinnitus and Hyperacusis
- Vestibular and Balance Disorders
- Other topics



PROGRAM

11th EFAS-Congress and 50th National Conference of the Audiology and Phoniatics Sections of the Hungarian Society of Oto-Rhino-Laryngology, Head and Neck Surgery

Wednesday , June 19.	First Hall	Second Hall	Third Hall	Poster area
11:00-14:00			EFAS commissions in seminar room	
14:00-17:30		Satellite Symposia		
17:30-18:00	Coffee break			
18:00	Opening Ceremony Békésy Memorial Session (Chair: J.G. Kiss, K. Stephan)			
20:00	Welcome Reception at Hotel Boscolo			

Thursday , June 20.	First Hall	Second Hall	Third Hall	Poster area
8:00-9:00	Keynote 1: Molecular Biology and Genetics of Hearing (I. Sziklai)			
9:00-10:30	Structured session 1: Rehabilitation for children and adults after cochlear implantation – longterm follow-up programs in Europe(organized by: G. O'Donoghue & N. Dillier)	Free papers	Free papers	
10:30-11:00	Coffee break			
11:00-12:30	Structured session 2: Auditory neuropathy: pathogenesis and clinical findings (organized by: T. Moser & J. Attias)	Free papers	Free papers	
12:00	Opening of exhibition			
12:30-13:30	Lunch			
13:30-15:00	Structured session 3: Modeling the impaired ear (organized by: C. Lorenzi & E. A. Lopez-Poveda)	Free papers	Free papers	Poster session 1
15:00-15:30	Coffee break			
15:30-17:00	EFAS Special Session 1: BA/MA Education in Audiology (organized by: B. Kollmeier, N. Dillier, J. Wouters)	Free papers	Free papers	
Evening: no organised program for EFAS participants				
Evening: Welcome Reception for participants of the 50th National Conference of the Audiology Sections of the Hungarian Society of Oto-Rhino-Laryngology, Head and Neck Surgery				

Friday , June 21.	First Hall	Second Hall	Third Hall	Poster area
8:00-9:00	Keynote 2: Time, Speech and Brain (M. Meyer)			
9:00-10:30	Structured session 4: Speech tests independent from language(organized by: B. Kollmeier & J. Wouters)	Free papers	Free papers	
10:30-11:00	Coffee Break			
11:00-12:30	EFAS Special Session 2: European School Children Hearing Screening (organized by: H. Skarzynski & J. Wouters)	Free papers	Free papers	
12:30-13:30	Lunch			
13:30-15:00		Free papers	Free papers	Poster session 2
14:00- 15:00	50th National Conference of the Audiology Sections of the Hungarian Society of Oto-Rhino-Laryngology, Head and Neck Surgery			
15:00-15:30	Coffee Break			
15:30-17:30	50th National Conference of the Audiology Sections of the Hungarian Society of Oto-Rhino-Laryngology, Head and Neck Surgery	EFAS GA-meeting		
Evening: Banquet Dinner for EFAS participants and for participants of the 50th National Conference of the Audiology and Phoniatrics Sections of the Hungarian Society of Oto-Rhino-Laryngology, Head and Neck Surgery (Optional program)				

Saturday , June 22.	First Hall	Second Hall	Third Hall	Poster area
9:00-10:00	<u>Keynote 3:</u> Electric-acoustic and bimodal stimulation in patients with implanted hearing devices (U. Baumann)	Free papers	50th National Conference of the Audiology Sections of the Hungarian Society of Oto-Rhino-Laryngology, Head and Neck Surgery	
10:00-10:30	Coffee Break			
10:30-12:00	<u>Structured session 5:</u> Combined acoustic and electric hearing (organized by: T. Francart & A. Lorens)	Free papers	50th National Conference of the Audiology Sections of the Hungarian Society of Oto-Rhino-Laryngology, Head and Neck Surgery	
12:30	Closing Ceremony			
Post-Congress Tour (Optional program)				

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

The Organizing Committee encourages you to contribute to the excellence of this Congress by sharing your results. Abstracts must be submitted electronically via our website. You must register your details before submitting your abstract. For abstract submission guidelines please visit the Congress website (www.efas2013.eu).

The deadline for abstract submission is 28th February, 2013.

PLEASE NOTE

- All accepted abstracts will be assigned to either an oral or poster presentation at the discretion of the Organizing Committee after taking into consideration your presentation preference and the reviews of the Abstract Selection Committee. It is the policy of the Congress that abstracts must be submitted with the intention that, if selected, they will be presented. Please do not submit an abstract if you do not intend to present it at the Congress.
- The presenting author will receive an e-mail by 30th March, 2013 regarding acceptance of the paper, schedule and presentation form (oral presentation or poster). The program will also be posted at the Congress website (www.efas2013.eu).
- The Congress Scientific Committee reserves the right to reject abstracts that do not meet the scientific criteria.
- The Abstract Selection Committee will review all submitted abstracts. The reviewing process is confidential and the decision is final.
- When submitting a paper, all authors agree that the paper abstract can be posted at the congress website, printed in the abstract book and/or saved on a CD Rom distributed to the participants.

REGISTRATION TO 11TH EFAS CONGRESS

The registration to the EFAS Congress can be done on-line, via our website (www.efas2013.eu). Registration fees are as follows:

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| 1. Registration fee (before February 28th, 2013) | 340,- € |
| 2. Registration fee (regular) | 440,- € |
| 3. European young scientists | 150,- € |
| (not older than 30 years, which should be proved by a scanned ID card) | |

Registration Fee includes: Admission to all scientific sessions, Program and Abstract Book, Coffee Breaks and Lunches, Opening Ceremony, Certificate of Attendance

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| 4. Accompanying person | 180,- € |
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Registration Fee includes: Lunches, Opening Ceremony, City Tour

CONFIRMATION

Upon receipt of your registration you will receive an automatic confirmation reply.

PAYMENT

After registering for the 11th EFAS Congress and receiving the confirmation, please arrange your payment. All payments should be made in EURO, both the payers' and the recipients' bank charges should be paid by the participants! Also, please indicate on the transfer your name, the name of the event and your registration number.

If your sponsor uses a block transfer for several participants, it is necessary to include all these relevant data as well.

You will receive your invoice at the venue during your registration.

CONGRESS BANK ACCOUNT:

Please transfer to: Congress & Hobby Service

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LIABILITY - INSURANCE

The participants take part in all excursions at their own risk. The registration fee does not include any kind of insurance. The Organizing Committee and the Congress Office can not accept liability for personal accidents, losses or damage. Health, baggage or accident insurance is recommended and must be taken out in your own country.



CONGRESS VENUE

BOSCOLO HOTEL BUDAPEST

<http://budapest.boscolohotels.com/>

Located in the heart of Budapest, the Residence offers easy access to a UNESCO World Heritage site, to the Andrásy Boulevard and to the Opera House; all the main cultural, tourist attractions, restaurants and baths are close by.

HOTEL RESERVATION

We would like to draw the participants' attention to the reservation process of the accommodation: Special links are available for the recommended hotels (Hotel Boscolo, and the nearby Courtyard Hotel Budapest) on our website. Via these links participants can order their hotel accommodation at a lower price directly from the hotels (www.efas2013.eu).

SOCIAL PROGRAMS

Welcome Reception – Wednesday, June 19, 2013

All Participants are invited to attend the Opening Ceremony.

The Reception will take place at the Congress Venue, Hotel Boscolo Budapest.

City Tour - Friday, June 21, 2013

Discover the sights in Budapest with our tour guide. Let us show you the main sights on both parts of the river in Budapest. Walk around the Castle District, enjoy the view from the Citadell, drive along the Andrásy Avenue until Heroes' Square passing by many sights in the city.

PRICE: 50,- €

Banquet Dinner – Friday, June 21, 2013

The Banquet Dinner will take place at a special place: on the river Danube. Participants will be hosted on the EURÓPA Ship and the vibrant city will show its new face. During the dinner, the ship will be moving on the river, and participants can enjoy the city from the huge open terrace as well. After the dinner and the spectacular programme, the evening will go on with dance.

Several bus transfers will be available at various times of the evening, so that guests can choose how long to stay.

PRICE: 120,- €

Post-Congress Tour – Saturday, June 22, 2013

The optional Post-Congress Tour takes place after the scientific programme of the Meeting. Participants will be brought by bus transfers to the authentic Hungarian countryside to experience authentic culture, customs and traditional cuisine. The tour will evoke the romantic spirit of the Great Hungarian Plain.

PRICE: 110,- €

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