
First announcement and call for abstracts

International Conference

Health, Wellbeing, Competence and Aging

Hong Kong
October 23 – 24, 2010



Conference Description:

Eurasia-Pacific Uninet announces in co-operation with the Chinese University of Hong Kong and the Medical University of Innsbruck the **International Conference on "Health, Wellbeing, Competence and Aging"** to take place in Hong Kong, October 23-24, 2010. This conference will be the third international conference of its kind concentrating on interdisciplinary medical aspects of aging processes organized by Eurasia-Pacific Uninet, following "Multifaceted Aspects of Aging and Age-related Diseases" 2008 in Beijing and "Prevention of Age-related Diseases" 2009 in Shanghai. These two previous meetings were focusing especially on biochemical, molecular and genetical aspects of aging and diseases, their adequate cure and possible prevention, starting off with understanding the underlying mechanisms, the physiological and pathophysiological changes and approaches to compare and understand health care provisions in developing and developed countries.

This time health itself and its possible expansion are in the focus of interest.

TOPICS: Health promotion and the elderly and related topics shall be examined and presented in an interdisciplinary and holistic medical surrounding, leaving space for inter- and transcultural comparison, exchange and learning processes. Competence, empowerment, quality of life and wellbeing are the corner stones of New Public Health. This conference dedicates itself to issues that serve as the core for healthy aging.

Conference Venue:

Shaw Auditorium, Postgraduate Education Centre, Prince of Wales Hospital, CUHK

Preliminary Organizing Committee and Advisors:

Chair:	Prof. Dr. Jean Woo <i>Chinese University Hong Kong</i>	Prof. Dr. Walter Kofler <i>Medical University of Innsbruck</i>
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Deadlines:

Abstracts for oral presentations, posters or videos are to be submitted **before June 30th 2010**

Acceptance of contributions/speakers will be communicated by **August 15th 2010**

Conference Format:

The organizing committee invites interested scientists especially from the member universities within Eurasia-Pacific Uninet to participate with contributions matching the frame of the listed topics. The conference welcomes posters and papers of all kind and will include selected key-note speeches providing state-of-the-art as well as innovative overviews and inputs on the main topics in focus.

Particular emphasis will be given to concepts of joint co-operations of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet member institutions in various fields of aging and aging research.

Key-Note Speeches (preliminary, working titles):

► Scientific Fundamentals:

Prof. Dr. Walter Kofler, Head, Section Social Medicine, Medical University of Innsbruck, President International Academy of Science H&E: An Extended View of a Bio-psycho-socio-cultural Model

Prof. Dr. PC Leung, Director, Centre for Clinical Trials on Chinese Medicine, Institute of Chinese Medicine, Chinese University of Hong Kong: Chinese Concept

► Health Policy Fundamentals:

Prof. Dr. Robert Schloegel, Vice-Ministry, Austrian Federal Ministry of Health: Austrian positions

Dr. Wai Man Chan, Assistant Director of Health, responsible for Elderly Health, Department of Health, Hong Kong SAR government: Hong Kong position

Dr. Narantuya Samdan (tbc) Regional Advisor for Traditional Medicine, WHO Regional Office Western Pacific, Philippine National Health Research System, Manila (to be confirmed): WHO positions

► Health competence and culture, society behaviour:

Prof. Dr. Unnop Jaisamrarn, Asst. Dean for International Affairs, Faculty of Medicine. Chulalongkorn University Bangkok (tbc): Key results of the International Conference “Health Aging 2010”

► Interdisciplinary Models with respect to eco-socio-cultural prerequisites:

Prof. Dr. Jean Woo, Director, SH Ho Centre for Gerontology & Geriatrics, Chinese University of Hong Kong: A Hong Kong Model: “Cadenza”

► From Theory to Practice:

Dr. Christa Erhart, Paracelsus Medical University Salzburg: Understanding between generations

Registration, Travelling and Accommodation:

Accommodation for invited speakers is offered by our local partners in Hong Kong at the Regal Riverside Hotel, Shatin, NT, Hong Kong <http://www.regalhotel.com/Regal-Riverside-Hotel/Main/Hotel-Home/Hotel-Home.aspx>. Eurasia-Pacific Uninet will come up for the travel costs of some selected speakers to a max. amount of 1,000 EUR. Member institutions with less financial means will be preferred in this selection process for financial funding. Please send your email request (after you have been informed about your conference participation on August 15th) to the following email address: brigitte.winklehner@sbg.ac.at.

Call for abstracts:

Interested scientists from all health-related sectors engaged in aspects of aging health care and problems of the aging patient, especially from member institutions of Eurasia-Pacific Uninet, are invited to participate at the conference. Oral presentation is limited to 15 minutes (30 minutes for key-note) including discussion. Abstracts (min. 3000 characters including spaces, max. 5000 characters) for oral or poster presentations shall be submitted **before June 30th, 2010** both to david.schnaiter@i-med.ac.at and rubbyu@cuhk.edu.hk

The following information must be included:

- Type of presentations (oral presentation, poster or voluntary paper)
- Title
- Author(s)
- Affiliation(s)
- E-mail, telephone no. and mailing address of the main author
- Between 3 and 5 keywords

Texts must be written in English. Abstracts submitted in other languages will not be taken into consideration. Accepted abstracts will be published in the conference booklet available at the registration desk at your arrival. All abstracts will be reviewed in a standard peer reviewing process. The organizing committee reserves the right to change your presentation from oral to poster presentation and will communicate its decision to the authors regarding acceptance or rejection of the abstracts by **August 15th 2010**. Authors of abstracts accepted for exhibition as posters will receive further instruction for formatting.

Welcome!

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