

Dear colleagues!

Halle, 15 - 17 September, 2016

From September 15th to 17th we'll have our annual meeting in Halle. The last EPA meeting in Germany was exactly 20 years ago in September 1996 in Tübingen and like the EPA meeting in Tübingen the meeting in Halle will be a joint meeting with the German Society of Prosthodontics and Biomaterials. During the 20 years since Tübingen meeting many new methods and materials have developed in Prosthodontics. CAD/CAM, now a standard technology in



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fabrication of dentures, was just on the horizon, but more a

matter of interesting talks than presenting data. In 1996 fantasy was necessary to foresee the development of the coming 20 years. But not only technology offered new challenges. One of the great challenges is the increase of the older parts of the population and their specific needs.

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With reference to these developments of the last 20 years the executive committee of the 2016 meeting decided to focus on three main topics: dental technology for the elderly, options for a cost effective and reliable treatment and teaching prosthodontics focusing on new technologies of prosthodontics and teaching. Aside from these main topics, free topics will certainly be given as lectures or posters too.

I am happy that experts from Europe and the world followed our invitation. In particular, I am proud that Prof. Yuji Sato from Showa University Tokyo will join us. He is not just one of the leading Japanese experts in treating old patients but one of the leading members of the Japan Prosthodontic Society (JPS). JPS and EPA signed a letter of cooperation last year in Prague. Therefore the presence of Prof. Sato is the expression of this new cooperation and will fill it with life.

The meeting will take place in the lecture rooms of the Martin-Luther-University just a few steps from Halle's central market place. The University of Halle has one of the oldest Dental Schools in Germany. Teaching dentistry began in 1868 and the first dental school was opened in 1883.

Halle is a medieval city. It became member of the European trade organization "Hanse" already in 1280. The musician and composer Georg Friedrich Händel (born 1685) is probably the most famous son of the city. The city shares its international airport with Leipzig, which is about 50 km from Halle. Dessau with its School of Design and Architecture ("The Bauhaus") is not far away either. Aside the professional aspects of the meeting we will try to show our guests Halle and the surrounding part of Germany.

For me it is a great pleasure and honour to invite you to Halle and I look forward to welcoming you in Halle.

Prof. Dr. Jürgen M. Setz Congress President EPA President 2015 -16 Chairperson of Organising Committee

The City of Halle "Place of salt production"

Halle (Saale) is called the cultural two round caps as well as the two blue Foundations.

The city of Halle owes its development to the existing salt springs – the name Halle means "place of salt production".

The town's landmark, the five towers, can be found on the market square: The

TO VISIT IN HALLE The five towers - Market Square Castle Giebichenstein - University of Art and Design The Moritzburg - fortress and castle Art Museum - Collection of classical art

capital of Saxony-Anhalt. Over the course peaks of the church Marienkirche, and the of its 1.200 years old history, Halle has tower Roter Turm form this great become famous for its beautifully ensemble. One of the cultural highlights of rehabilitated old town, the unique and Central Germany is the annual Handel romantic scenery along the river Saale, its Festival, taking place in Halle. It is tradition of Handel, and the Francke supposed to remind of George Frederick Handel, who was born in Halle.

Halle's reputation as a modern site of education and science is based on the more than 500 years old history of the university

CLIMATE OF HALLE Average annual temperature: 9.1 °C (48 °F) Coldest month: January 0.2°C (32°F) Hottest months: July 18.2°C (64°F) Average annual precipitation: 483mm

Martin-Luther-University Halle-Wittenberg Auditorium The Conference Venue

The Martin Luther University of Halle-Wittenberg (German: Martin-Luther-Universität Halle-Wittenberg), also referred to as MLU, is a public, research-oriented university in the cities of Halle and Wittenberg within Saxony-Anhalt, Germany.

The University was created in 1817 through the merger of the University of Wittenberg (founded 1502) and the University of Halle (founded 1691). The University is named after the

Protestant reformer Martin Luther, who was a professor in Wittenberg. It is the largest university in the state of Saxony-Anhalt, and is located in one of Germany's greenest cities. The University has an academic orchestra, founded in 1779, and a rather prestigious choir, founded in 1950, which together constitute the socalled Collegium musicum.

Address: Martin-Luther-University Halle-Wittenberg Audimax Universitätsplatz 1 06108 Halle (Saale), Germany

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Abstract submission

Deadline - 31 May 2016

We cordially invite you to submit your abstract for oral presentation or poster presentation to the following topics:

- How much technology for the elderly?
- Can there be low cost reliable prosthetic treatment?
- Current developments in prosthodontic teaching

Notice:

After reviewing all submitted abstracts, authors will be informed about the adjudication. Accepted abstracts will be either presented as oral or poster presentations.

• Free Topic

GENERAL INFORMATION

Congress Venue: The congress takes place at the Audimax in Martin-Luther-University Halle-Wittenberg.

Accommodation: A number of hotels hold a reserved contingent of rooms at special rates for the EPA Conference 2016 from 14–17 September 2016. Please visit the conference website for more details.

Invited speakers:

Frauke Muller - Oxford Lecture

Reiner Biffar, Phophi Kamposiora, Guillermo Pradies, Jeremy Rees, Yuji Sato, Bernd Wostmann.....

Language: The official conference language is English.

SOCIAL EVENTS:

Welcome Reception: The Rector of the university and the Dean of the medical faculty welcome all participants to the welcome reception. Meet your colleagues and other participants with drinks and snacks in the Löwengebäude, right next to the congress venue. Time: 19:00 hrs, Sept 15 2016 Venue: Alte Aula, Löwengebäude of the University of Halle Fee: included for conference participants, 35 EUR for accompanying person

Conference Party: We kindly would like to invite you to the Conference Party. Enjoy a great evening with your colleagues with an extensive buffet and shake a leg to stirring party music played by the DJ.

Time: 19:30 hrs, Sept 16 2016 Venue: Enchilada – restaurante y bar mexicano Address: Universitätsring 6 • 06108 Halle (Saale) (ca. 5 min by foot) Fee: 65 EUR

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FROM THE DESK OF THE WEB EDITOR

From Prague to Halle!

This year, we move into the Saxony-Anhalt region in the northern part of Germany. We leave behind the beauty and rich history and the grand welcome reception and the stately gala dinner organised by Prof Hana Hufbalkova and her inspired team at the last conference! We now are invited by Prof Jurgen Setz to Halle, a green city with lots of history and a rich cultural scene.

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