

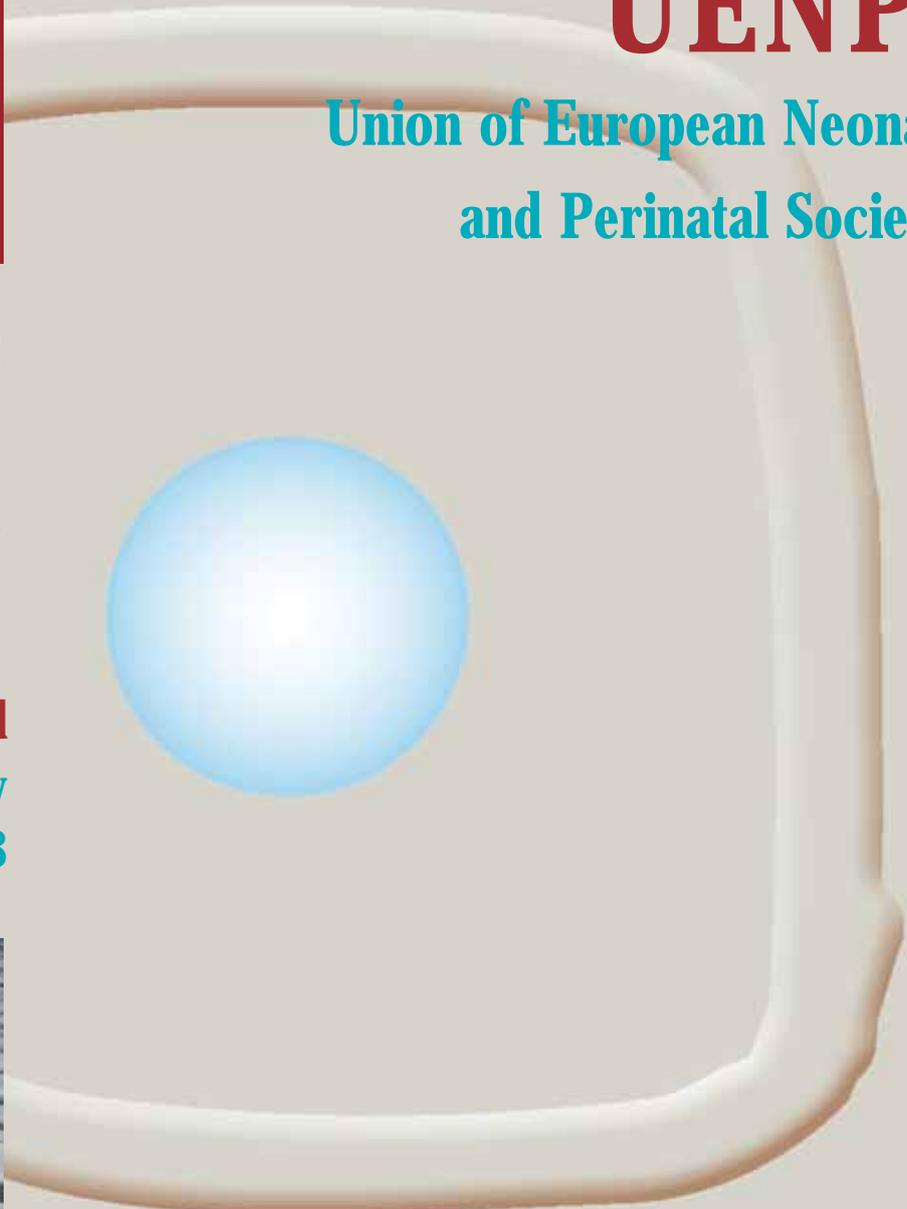
**Global  
Neonatology  
&  
Perinatology**

**1st  
International  
Congress of  
UENPS**

**Union of European Neonatal  
and Perinatal Societies**

**JOIN THE  
ACADEMIC OLYMPICS:  
A NEW ERA IN  
NEONATOLOGY**

**Rome Marriott Park Hotel  
Rome, Italy  
November 17-19, 2008**



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## Welcome to the eternal city

Rome; the cradle of civilization, where past, present and future live together with a sense of continuum and is a bench-mark for all.

We have decided to hold the first congress of UENPS in Rome because it is the city that, better than any other, symbolizes birth.

UENPS is the Union of European Neonatal and Perinatal Societies and unifies, 24 countries, 300,000,000 inhabitants and 3,500,000 births each year. Its aim is to converge experience and studies and to spread knowledge and link people and nations.

Our dream is to create a European Culture in Neonatology and Perinatology.

A scientific global society aimed at caring for children throughout Europe and beyond.

This is why UENPS is open to all the national scientific societies who dedicate themselves to the perinatal and neonatal cause.

In Rome, all the best scientists, clinicians and researchers from every corner of the world will meet to discuss and present new data in a global perspective.

Because we believe that the best care and attention should be guaranteed for all newborn babies and children everywhere.

Maxima debetur puero reverentia

We eagerly await your arrival.





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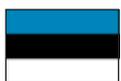
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With the participation of French Neonatal Society

\* *Invited and confirmation pending*

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# Synopsis

## MONDAY 17th NOVEMBER

	Michelangelo	Parallel Sessions
08.30 am		KEY NOTE
08.45 am		ACADEMIC OLYMPICS
09.00 am		
09.15 am		
09.30 am		
09.45 am		
10.00 am	NEW FRONTIERS ON NEUROLOGY	
10.25 am		
10.45 am		
11.10 am		
11.35 am		
12.00 am		
12.30 am	OPENING CEREMONY	
01.30 pm	LUNCH	
02.30 pm		KEY NOTE
02.45 pm		ACADEMIC OLYMPICS
03.00 pm		
03.15 pm		
03.30 pm		
03.45 pm		
04.00 pm	COFFEE BREAK	
04.30 pm	NEW FRONTIERS ON NUTRITION	
04.55 pm		
05.20 pm		
05.45 pm		
06.10 pm		



## TUESDAY 18th NOVEMBER

	Michelangelo
08.30 am	EXPERT OPINION ON PRACTICAL ASPECTS
08.50 am	
09.10 am	
09.30 am	
09.50 am	
10.10 am	NEW FRONTIERS ON CARDIOVASCULAR AND RESPIRATORY
10.45 am	
11.10 am	
11.35 am	
12.00 am	
12.30 am	LUNCH
02.30 pm	EXPERT OPINION ON PRACTICAL ASPECTS
02.50 pm	
03.10 pm	
03.30 pm	
03.50 pm	
04.10 pm	COFFEE BREAK
04.30 pm	NEW FRONTIERS ON PERINATOLOGY 1
04.55 pm	
05.20 pm	
05.45 pm	
06.10 pm	

## WEDNESDAY 19th NOVEMBER

	Michelangelo
08.30 am	EXPERT OPINION ON PRACTICAL ASPECTS
08.50 am	
09.10 am	
09.30 am	NEW FRONTIERS ON PERINATOLOGY 2
09.55 am	
10.20 am	
10.45 am	
11.10 am	
11.30 am	ACADEMIC OLYMPICS FINAL
11.50 am	
12.10 am	
01.30 pm	LUNCH
02.45 pm	ACADEMIC OLYMPICS FINAL
03.20 pm	
03.50 pm	EXPERT OPINION ON PRACTICAL ASPECTS
04.10 pm	
04.30 pm	

# Scientific Programme

<b>10.00 am</b>	<b>New Frontiers on Neurology</b>
10.00 am	Developmental Programming in the Brain: from Fetal to Neonatal Environment <i>Petra S. Hüppi</i>
10.25 am	Induced Systemic Hypothermia in Newborn Infants with Hypoxic-Ischemic Encephalopathy: Outcome at 18-21 months postnatal age - Results of neo.nEURO.network RC Trial <i>George Simbruner* and Rashmi Mittal* on behalf of the neo.nEURO.network Study Group * Pädiatrie IV, Division Neonatology, Medical University Innsbruck, Austria</i>
10.45 am	Neonatal Stroke <i>Linda S. de Vries</i>
11.10 am	Oxidative Stress in Developing Brain <i>Giuseppe Buonocore</i>
11.35 am	Iron and the Developing Brain <i>Michael K. Georgieff</i>
<b>12.00 am</b>	<b>Discussion</b>
<b>12.30 am</b>	<b>Opening Ceremony</b> <i>Claudio Fabris, George Simbruner, Giuseppe Buonocore</i>
<b>01.30 pm</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>04.30 pm</b>	<b>New Frontiers on Nutrition</b>
04.30 pm	Postnatal Growth Failure in VLBW Infants: Can it be Prevented? <i>Ekhard E. Ziegler</i>
04.55 pm	The Intestinal Microbiome: Friend or Foe? <i>Josef Neu</i>
05.20 pm	Fetal Nutrition as a Guide to Nutrition of the Preterm Neonate <i>William W. Hay</i>
05.45 pm	Update on the Use of Human Milk for Extremely Premature Infants <i>Richard J. Schanler</i>
<b>06.10 pm</b>	<b>Discussion</b>



<b>08.30 am</b>	<b>Surgical or Medical Intervention for Congenital Urinary Tract Obstruction: New Direction</b> <i>Robert L. Chevalier</i>
<b>08.45 am</b>	<b>Academic Olympics</b>
<b>01.30 pm</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>02.30 pm</b>	<b>Lung-Protective modes of Mechanical Ventilation</b> <i>Martin Keszler</i>
<b>02.45 pm</b>	<b>Academic Olympics</b>
<b>04.00 pm</b>	<b>Coffee Break</b>

08.30 am	Gastroesophageal Reflux in Preterm Infants <i>Ian J. Griffin</i>
08.45 am	Academic Olympics
01.30 pm	Lunch
02.30 pm	Neonatal Anthropometric Charts: the Italian Multicentric Study <i>Enrico Bertino</i>
02.45 pm	Academic Olympics
04.00 pm	Coffee Break



08.30 am	Making of the Brain and the Emergence of Consciousness <i>Hugo Lagercrantz</i>
08.45 am	Academic Olympics
01.30 pm	Lunch
02.30 pm	Which Nutrition is Optimal During the First Six Months in VLBW Infants? <i>Harry N. Lafeber</i>
02.45 pm	Academic Olympics
04.00 pm	Coffee Break

08.30 am	Therapeutic Trials for Prevention of BPD <i>Mikko Hallman</i>
08.45 am	Academic Olympics
01.30 pm	Lunch
02.30 pm	Endoscopic Surgery in the Neonate <i>Agostino Pierro</i>
02.45 pm	Academic Olympics
04.00 pm	Coffee Break



08.30 am	Injury and Recovery in Developing Brain – Evidence from MRI Studies of the Prematurely Born <i>Laura Ment</i>
08.45 am	Academic Olympics
01.30 pm	Lunch
02.30 pm	Non Invasive Ventilation in the Newborns <i>Corrado Moretti</i>
02.45 pm	Academic Olympics
04.00 pm	Coffee Break

08.30 am	Respiratory Support and Prevention of BPD <i>Manuel Sánchez Luna</i>
08.45 am	Academic Olympics
01.30 pm	Lunch
02.30 pm	Battling BPD: New Therapies for the Next Decade <i>Judy Aschner</i>
02.45 pm	Academic Olympics
04.00 pm	Coffee Break



08.30 am	Urinary Biomarkers and Neonatal Kidney <i>Vassilios Fanos</i>
08.45 am	Academic Olympics
01.30 pm	Lunch
02.30 pm	Neonatal Clinical Pharmacology 2008: Quo Vadis? <i>John van den Anker</i>
02.45 pm	Academic Olympics
04.00 pm	Coffee Break

08.30 am	<b>Congenital Malformations and Intrauterine Growth Retardation in Twins</b> <i>Giovanni Corsello</i>
08.45 am	<b>Academic Olympics</b>
01.30 pm	<b>Lunch</b>
02.30 pm	<b>Bronchopulmonary Dysplasia: What do we want to know?</b> <i>Hercília Guimarães</i>
02.45 pm	<b>Academic Olympics</b>
04.00 pm	<b>Coffee Break</b>



08.30 am	<b>The Role of Epigenetic Modifications of Chromatin Structure on Lung Biology in Health and Disease</b> <i>Kurt Albertine</i>
08.45 am	<b>Academic Olympics</b>
01.30 pm	<b>Lunch</b>
02.30 pm	<b>"Proteomics in BALF: News for BPD?"</b> <i>Costantino Romagnoli</i>
02.45 pm	<b>Academic Olympics</b>
04.00 pm	<b>Coffee Break</b>

<b>08.30 am</b>	<b>Expert Opinion on Practical Aspects</b>
08.30 am	Apnea of Prematurity - New Insights into Pathophysiology and Treatment <i>Christian S. Poets</i>
08.50 am	Treating PDA in 2008: Still a Pharmacological Issue? <i>Bart Van Overmeier</i>
09.10 am	Parenteral Nutrition of the Preterm Infant: Benefits and Risks <i>Patti Thureen</i>
09.30 am	Clinical Approach to Neonate Brandage <i>Eugenio Mercuri</i>
09.50 am	Water and Electrolytes in Newborns <i>Neena Modi</i>
<b>10.10 am</b>	<b>New Frontiers on Cardiovascular and Respiratory</b>
10.10 am	Newer Modalities of Respiratory Support in the Neonate <i>Eduardo Bancalari</i>
10.45 am	The Components of Neonatal Resuscitation <i>Alan H. Jobe</i>
11.10 am	Functional Echocardiography: an Essential Skill in the NICU? <i>Martin Kluckow</i>
11.35 am	Fluid Transport in the Developing and Perinatal Lung <i>H. O'Brodovich</i>
<b>12.00 am</b>	<b>Discussion</b>
<b>12.30 am</b>	<b>Lunch</b>
<b>02.30 pm</b>	<b>Expert Opinion on Practical Aspects</b>
02.30 pm	Outcome of Extremely Low Birthweight Infants: Lifetime Perspectives <i>Saroj Saigal</i>
02.50 pm	Management of Arterial Hypotention <i>Istvan Seri</i>
03.10 pm	Volume-Targeted Ventilation in Newborns <i>Sunil Sinha</i>
03.30 pm	Weaning Preterm Infants: Where are we now? <i>Vittorio Vigi</i>



03.50 pm Are low Birth Weight Infants at Increased Risk for Cardio-vascular and Metabolic Diseases at Adulthood? What we know and don't know.  
*Umberto Simeoni*

04.10 pm **Coffee Break**

04.30 pm **New Frontiers on Perinatology 1**

04.30 pm Fetal Nucleic Acids in Maternal Blood: What "Message" is the Baby Sending to his Mother?  
*Diana Bianchi*

04.55 pm Apoptotic Mechanisms in the Immature Brain: Novel Targets for Neuroprotection  
*Henrik Hagberg*

05.20 pm Perinatal Origin of not Acquired Disease  
*Peter Gluckman*

05.45 pm The Fetal and Perinatal Origins of Adult Renal Failure  
*Jean-Pierre Guignard*

06.10 pm **Discussion**

## 08.30 am Expert Opinion on Practical Aspects

08.30 am Perinatal brain damage causation  
*Olaf Dammann*

08.50 am TBD  
*Murat Yurdakök*

09.10 am TBD  
*Jyörgy Balla*

## 09.30 am New Frontiers on Perinatology 2

09.30 am The Early-Life Origins of Respiratory Diseases:  
Impact of Environmental Factors on Lung Development  
*Giovanni Piedimonte*

09.55 am The Rationale for Fetal Therapy of Congenital Diaphragmatic Hernia with  
Growth Factors  
*Jorge Correia-Pinto*

10.20 am Pain at the Dawn of Human Consciousness  
*Kanwaljeet J.S. Anand*

10.45 am The First Golden Minutes in the Life of the Extremely Premature Infant  
*Máximo Vento*

## 11.10 am Discussion

## 11.30 am Academic Olympics Final

## 01.30 pm Lunch

## 02.45 pm Academic Olympics Final

## 03.50 pm Expert Opinion on Practical Aspects

03.50 pm TBD  
*Fabio Mosca*

04.10 pm TBD

04.30 pm TBD

# Academic Olympics

## Academic Olympics

Invitation to participate in UENPS Congress "Global Neonatology and Perinatology" to present results of research efforts and at the same time compete in sportive, leisurely, joyful manner for Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals in the "Academic Olympics".

Conventional Congresses have hundreds of presentations of scientific efforts and results, one after the other and in parallel. However there is no acknowledgment, no recognition of and no award for the scientific efforts for the individual apart from some prizes for example for the best poster. This UENPS Congress is based on a new idea, on a system of acknowledgement and recognition of scientific excellency. Why should Olympic Games only take place for sportsman and sportswoman? Why should academics and scientists not compete and for their scientific and academic efforts be awarded with ranks such as Gold, Silver and Bronze Medals?

This Congress introduces and offers a fair competition for Worldwide academic recognition named "ACADEMIC OLYMPICS".

Each country's scientific and academic community is invited to participate by motivating its best members of its scientific community, its best doctors, researchers, lecturers to UENPS Congress Global Neonatology and Perinatology and "Academic Olympics". Academic Olympics participants must be less than 40 years of age at November 1, 2008.

For the first round, so called primaries, participants will be grouped according to WORLD REGIONS:

- Australia & New Zealand
- China
- India
- Europe
- North America & Canada
- Africa & Arabia
- Eurasia (Russia, Turkmenistan etc.)
- South and Central America
- East & South Asia (Japan, Korea, Philippines, Thailand, Indonesia etc)

Each region will have 10 presentations/presenters, selected according to submitted abstracts, in ONE hall. From each region the BEST will be in the finals and compete amongst the 9 regions' representatives.

The finals then consist of 9 speakers and a "global jury", consisting of one member of each World Region (Australia & New Zealand, China, India, Europe, North America & Canada, Africa & Arabia, Eurasia [Russia, Turkmenistan etc.], South & Central America and East&South Asia ). This global jury with its nine members will judge the speakers.

On grounds of:

- A. innovative research
- B. didactic quality of presentation
- C. impact on neonatology or perinatology

The jury will award the three best ones of a country or region with Gold, Silver and Bronze Academic Medal of AO and determine the RANK 4th to 10th.

Apart from the Gold, Silver, Bronze and Ranking, UENPS intends to organize and offer a postgraduate period for the winner(s) in a renowned university.



## Organisational remarks:

We encourage national neonatal & perinatal organisations to be partners of UENPS for this first UENPS Congress "Global Neonatology & Perinatology" and to promote this Congress amongst its members. The chairperson/president of each national society must nominate a person responsible for this cooperation and partnership.

**ALL CORRESPONDENCE is always requested to be addressed to those three persons:**

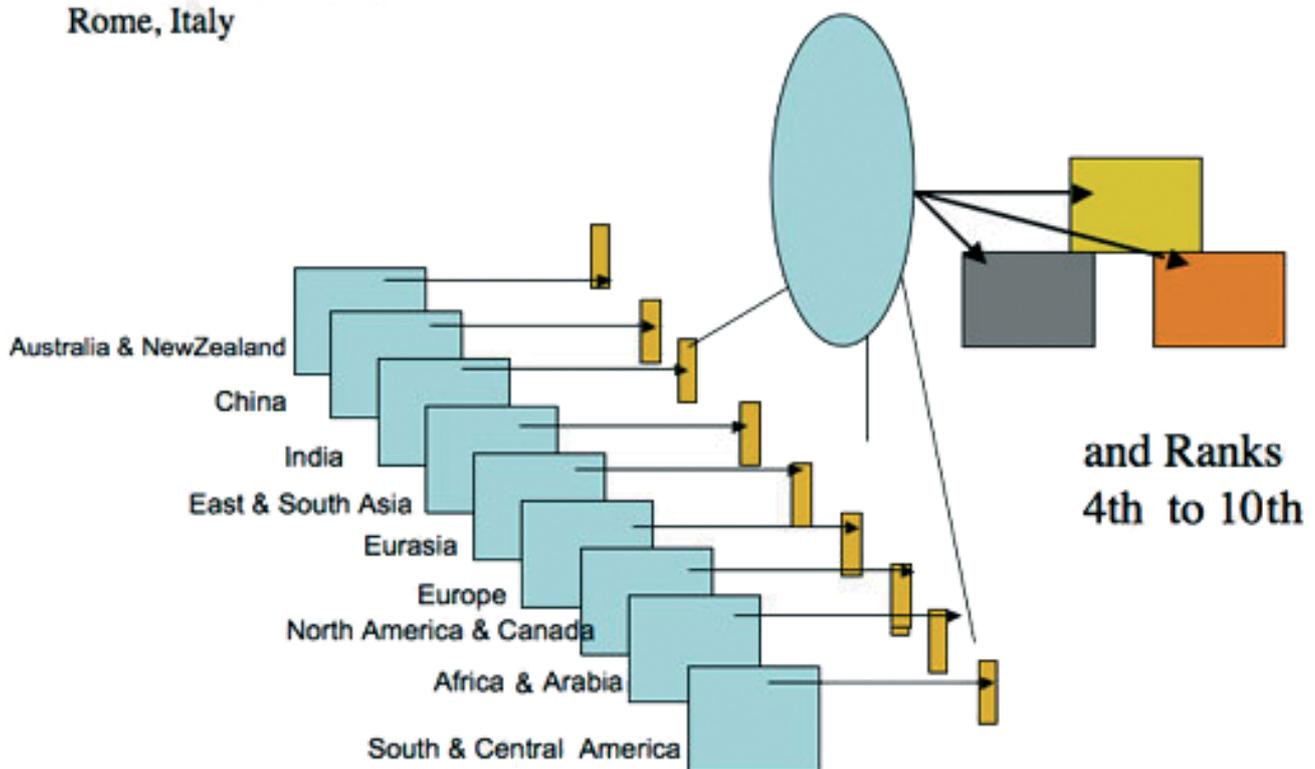
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## "Academic Olympics"

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For those abstracts not chosen for the final, there will be a collective poster session where the best three will be selected and awarded a prize.

# General Information

## General Information

### Venue

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00148 Rome, Italy  
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Website: [www.romemarriottpark.com](http://www.romemarriottpark.com)

### Dates

November 17/19, 2008

### Language

English will be the official language of the Congress.

### Clothing

Informal for all occasions.

### Climate

November in Rome is a little cold and rainy with temperatures range between 8°C and 12°C.  
Warm outdoor clothing is advised.

### Badges

All participants, accompanying persons and exhibitors are kindly requested to wear their badges throughout the Congress area in order to be admitted to the scientific sessions and to all the activities of the Congress.

### Registration & Accommodation

All participants must submit a completed registration form.  
Hotel accommodation at special Congress rates will be offered to participants.  
Detailed information, as well as access to the registration and accommodation form, are available at the website: [www.uenps2008.eu](http://www.uenps2008.eu), please follow the instructions.

### Registration Fees

Early registrations received before August 30, 2008 € 400,00 + VAT (20%);  
after August 30, 2008 € 500,00 + VAT (20%).  
Accompanying person: check fee at the optional tours chapter.

### Special fee

Under 40: € 300,00 + VAT (20%) before August 30, 2008; after August 30, 2008 € 350,00 + VAT (20%).  
I.D. is requested to certify.  
Presenting author of an abstract: € 300,00 + VAT (20%).

### Cancellations and refunds

Written cancellation must be sent to the Organising Secretariat

- 50% of the total amount will be refund for cancellation received within May 30, 2008
- No refunds will be made after May 30, 2008
- Bank transfers for refund will e made after the Congress has been concluded



## Banking and Exchange

The Italian monetary system is the Euro. Foreign currency may be exchanged at banks during normal banking hours, at hotels, at airports and in exchange offices. All major credit cards are accepted in most hotels, restaurants and shops.

## Liability and Insurance

The Congress Organisers cannot accept liability for personal injuries or for loss of, or damage to, property belonging to congress participants (or their accompanying persons), either during or as a result of the Congress. Please check the validity of your own insurance.

## Visa Requirements

All visitors entering Italy must be in possession of a valid passport. For European Community citizens an Identity Card is sufficient. Participants should check the Italian Embassy or Consulate in their country regarding visa and health certificate requirements. The procedure to obtain may require substantial time. Please check with Italian Consulate or Embassy on time.

## Official Letter of Invitation

Official letters of invitation designed to help overcome administrative difficulties in certain countries are available on the Congress website. It must be understood that such letters do not represent a commitment on behalf of the Organising Committee or Congress to provide any financial assistance.

## Certificate of Attendance

Certificates of attendance will be available for all registered participants at the registration desk from November 19, 2008.

## Tours

There will be two tours of Rome for accompanying persons.

Accompanying person programme of UENPS includes the opening ceremony and 2 half day tours :

TOUR ROMA ETERNA (Piazza di Spagna - Fontana di Trevi - Pantheon - Piazza Navona)

TOUR ROMA CRISTIANA (San Pietro in Vaticano - San Giovanni in Laterano - Scala Santa - Colosseo)

Euro 180,00 per person (both tours)

## Call for Abstract

Abstract may be submitted on topics related to neonatology and perinatology or to fields of common interest. Authors can submit abstract as oral or poster contribution. Abstract may only be submitted via internet on the website.

## Deadlines

December 3, 2007 Abstract Submission Opening

July 30, 2008 Abstract Submission Deadline

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September 30, 2008 Congress Registration Deadline for Presenting Author

August 30, 2008 Early registration

## Academic Olympics

Authors whose abstracts have been accepted will be either selected for presentation at Academic Olympics or Poster Sessions.

## Food and Beverages

Business lunches and coffee/tea during breaks (as indicated in the program) are included in the registration fee.

## About Rome

Rome is the capital city of Italy and of the Lazio region, as well as the country's largest and most populous comune, with more than 2.7 million residents.

The metropolitan area has a population of about 4 millions people. It is located in the central-western portion of the Italian peninsula, where the river Aniene joins the Tiber.

The State of the Vatican City, the sovereign territory of the Holy See is an enclave of Rome. It is the smallest nation in the world, and the capital of the only religion to have representation in the United Nations (as a non-member observer state).

Rome, Caput mundi ("capital of the world"), la Città Eterna ("the Eternal City"), Limen Apostolorum ("threshold of the Apostles"), la città dei sette colli ("the city of the seven hills ") or simply l'Urbe ("the City"), is thoroughly modern and cosmopolitan. As one of the few major European cities that escaped World War II relatively unscathed, central Rome maintains a character renaissance and baroque essentially. The Historic Centre of Rome is listed by UNESCO as a World Heritage Site.

## Airport Information

Rome can easily be reached by plane and is served by two international airports.

Participants can fly into Rome via Leonardo da Vinci Airport, located in Fiumicino, 34 km from Rome's historic city centre or via Ciampino Airport, situated 15 km southeast of central Rome.

## Access to Rome from the Airports

### Access from Leonardo da Vinci Airport:

The airport is served by the Leonardo Express train operated by Trenitalia, available at the airport terminal. The trip takes 30 minutes (no stops) to Termini Station in Rome - there are two such connections per hour. Alternatively, local trains leave once every 15 minutes, stopping at all train stations. You may have to change at Trastevere, Ostiense (Metro Piramide) or Tuscolana.

Rental cars are available in the airport terminal from all the usual companies.

### Access from Ciampino Airport:

There is no rail transport at Ciampino Airport. The options are to take a bus to a rail station (either metro or regular train) or to take a bus or taxi all the way.

### All the way by road transport

- Terravision runs a direct bus service to Termini. The price is € 8,00 ca. one-way or € 13,50 ca. return, taking 40 minutes (about 20 services a day). Despite timing buses to connect with flights, passengers on the return trip from Termini are asked to board the bus 2.5 hours before their flight's departure time. The last bus is at 7:20 pm. Terravision also offers buses from Fiumicino airport to Termini, and a transfer bus between the two airports.
- Schiaffini also runs direct buses to Termini station for € 5,00 one-way, taking 40 minutes, but with far fewer departures than Terravision (see above). These buses are not mentioned on the airport website but they can be found on Schiaffini's own site.
- BusShuttle runs a service similar to Terravision. Their stop near Termini is about 20 metres up the road from Terravision's. Cost is € 6,00 for a single.
- The fixed fare for a taxi ride to the city centre (inside the Aurelian Walls) is € 30,00, according to the official agreement between Roman taxi driver associations and Rome municipality. It is advisable to negotiate the total price including luggage supplements before boarding the taxi. Rental cars are available in the airport terminal from all the usual companies.



## How to get to the Congress venue

### From Termini Rail Station:

By taxi – We recommend you to only use licensed taxis available outside the station. The estimated cost of one-way journey to join the Rome Marriott Park Hotel is € 30,00.

Telephone number main taxis companies:

06 – 3570 Radio Taxi

06 – 5551 Samarcanda

06 – 4994 La Capitale

By public transport – Follow the signs for “Metropolitana B”, Laurentina direction.

Get off at Piramide station and reach the platform of the train for Fiumicino.

Take the train for Fiumicino and get off at Muratella station. At this station there will be a shuttle service for the Congress venue.

### From Leonardo da Vinci Airport:

By taxi – We recommend you to only use licensed taxis available outside the station. The estimated cost of one-way journey to join the Rome Marriott Park Hotel is € 35,00.

By public transport – Follow the signs for “Station” of Leonardo express.

Take the train for Fiumicino and get off at Muratella station. At this station there will be a shuttle service for the Congress venue.

By car - Hotel Direction: 11 NE - Driving Directions: Roma-Fiumicino Highway, exit to G.R.A. Firenze. Once on the G.R.A., exit 31-33

### From Ciampino Airport:

We advice to take a taxi available outside the airport. The estimated cost of one-way journey to join the Rome Marriott Park Hotel is € 50,00/55,00.

By car: Hotel Direction: G.R.A direction Civitavecchia. Exit 31-33

## Transport in the City

Rome has a very efficient transport system that services the entire city, which includes the Metro network as well as buses, trains and taxis.

## CME Accreditation

The Conference has applied for Italian and European CME Accreditation.

## Exhibition

A professional exhibition will be held currently with the Congress.

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## EFCNI

Constitution and Press Conference of the new European parental organisation in form of a Foundation named European foundation for the care of newborn infants (EFCNI)

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**Scientific  
Information**

## Scientific Information

### Call for Abstract

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#### KEY ABSTRACT SUBMISSION DATES

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### General Rules and Guidelines

Please take the time to read the section thoroughly before making your submission.

# **Registration & Accommodation**

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You can register and book your hotel via website.  
It's very easy, just follow the instructions below and fill all the forms in.

There are two main possibilities:

**ONE** for those who want to register to the Congress and book at one of the hotels listed

**ANOTHER** for those who want to register to the Congress and book at the Rome Marriott Park Hotel.  
If you want to book your room at Rome Marriott Park Hotel, do not forget to fill the registration form in!  
Your registration form is in the General Registration and Accommodation link. You can also decide only to register to the congress without any accommodation

### Registration to the Congress & Accommodation in one of the hotels listed (excepted the Rome Marriott Park Hotel)

If you want to register to the Congress and book your room in one of the hotels listed (excepted the Rome Marriott Park Hotel), please enter in the website and link General Registration and Accommodation and follow the instructions.

### Registration to the Congress & Accommodation at Rome Marriott Park Hotel (Congress venue)

For accommodation: if you want to book your room at Rome Marriott Park Hotel, please enter in the website and link Rome Marriott Park Hotel accommodation and follow the instructions.

For registration: enter in the website and link General Registration and Accommodation and follow the instructions only for registration (no accommodation).

#### Hotel Accommodation

MARRIOTT PARK HOTEL \*\*\*\*

Via Colonnello Tommaso Masala, 54

MELIÀ ROMA AURELIA ANTICA \*\*\*\*

Via degli Aldobrandeschi, 223

PRINCESS HOTEL \*\*\*\*

Via Andrea Ferrara 33

ATAHOTEL VILLA PAMPILI \*\*\*\*

Via della Nocetta, 105

TORRE ROSSA PARK HOTEL \*\*\*

Via di Torre Rossa, 94

PAPILLO HOTEL AND RESORTS \*\*\*

Via Arola, 53

#### Basic Accommodation

CASA RAVASCO

Via Pio VIII, 28

DOMUS AURELIA

Via Aurelia, 218



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**MARRIOTT PARK HOTEL\*\*\*\* Congress Venue**

Via Colonnello Tommaso Masala, 54 - Rome

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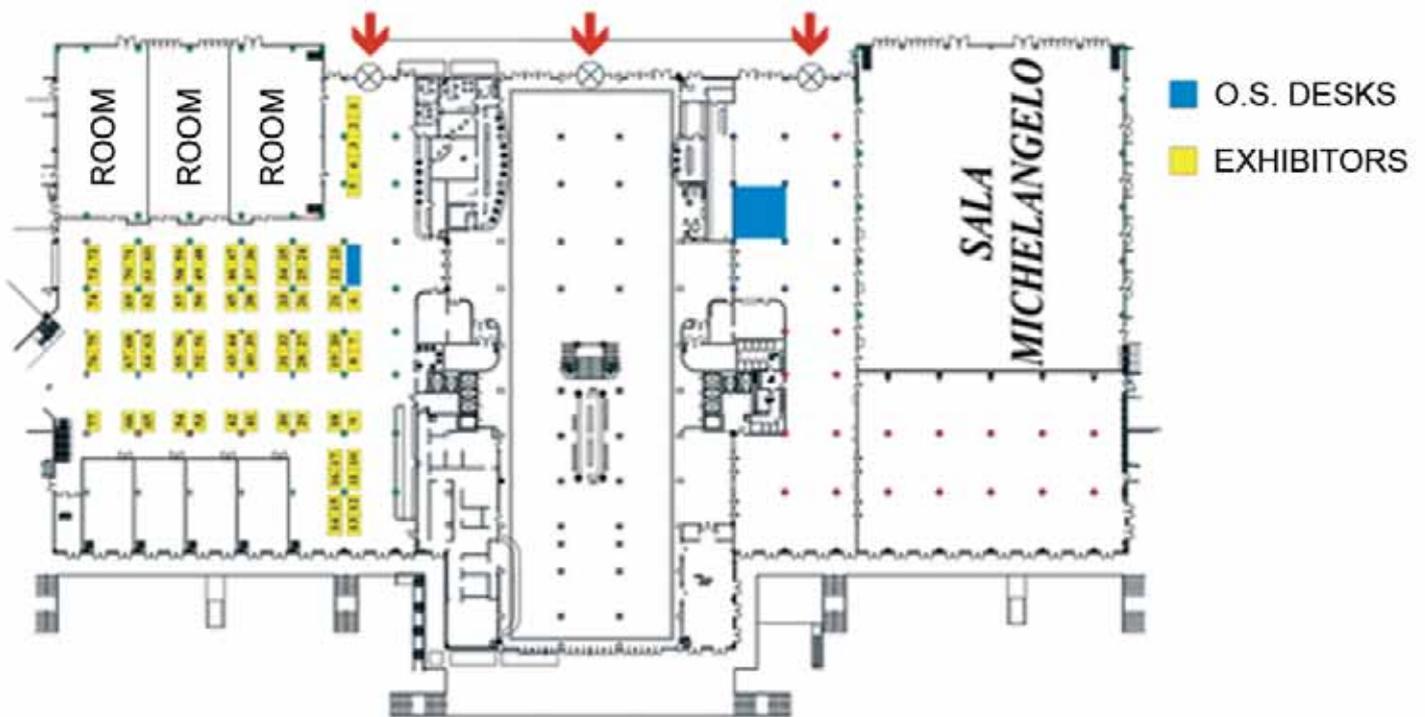


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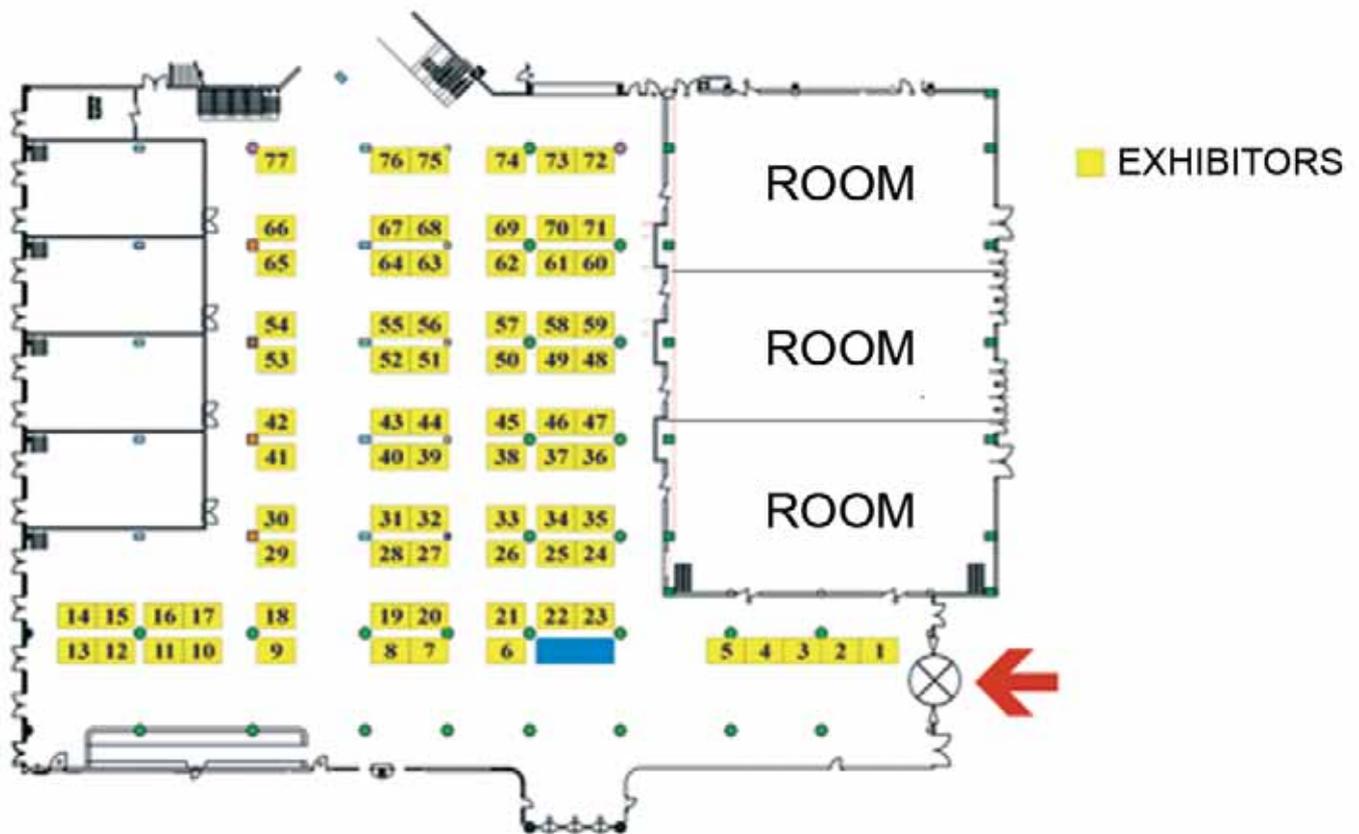
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