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30th Central American and Caribbean Congress on Cardiology
9th Cuban Cardiology Congress
June 5th to 8th, 2018
Havana International Conference Center, Cuba

Havana, January 10, 2018

Dear colleagues and friends:

The 30th Central American and Caribbean Congress on Cardiology and the 9th Cuban Cardiology Congress will be held from June 5th to 8th, 2018, at the Havana International Conference Center, Cuba.

This will be the perfect opportunity for all cardiologists to meet in the Cuban capital to exchange experiences and knowledge closely related to health promotion, prevention, medical, interventionist, surgical and rehab treatment for those patients with different heart diseases – first cause of death in Cuba and worldwide-, or for people at the risk of suffering from them.

Under the motto “Provide excellence for Cardiovascular Health”, all global professionals, mainly those stemming from Central America and the Caribbean, along with others from Latin America and North America, will have the chance of meeting at the Havana International Conference Center, a leading and modern place where universal far-reaching and foremost events have been conducted. Over one hundred world-famous specialists, including the Cuban ones, gathered in this supreme regional and national cardiology event, will attend this leading scientific setting. It will enable all delegates to strengthen their traditional bonds of friendship.

Cuba will allow all participants to enjoy the particular beauty of its Caribbean beaches, as well as other dissimilar and tempting sceneries. Plus, the enjoyment of traditional Cuban music and dance, along with the direct contact with its history and reality, will provide delegates with the most unforgettable science, technology and friendship moment.

We’ll be looking forward to you in Havana 2018!

Welcome!

Eduardo Rivas Estany, DSc., Prof.
President of the Cuban Cardiology Society
President of Cardiology 2018 Organizing Committee
ORGANIZED BY

- Central American and the Caribbean Society of Cardiology
- Cuban Cardiology Society
- Havana International Conference Center

SPONSORED BY

- Ministry of Public Health of the Republic of Cuba
- National Council of Scientific Health Societies
- Institute of Cardiology and Cardiovascular Surgery
- World Health Organization / Pan-American Health Organization (WHO / PAHO)

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Participant Profile: cardiologists, cardiovascular surgeons, anesthesiologists, specialists in pathological anatomy, metabolism and cardiovascular physiology; internists, intensivists, epidemiologists, rehabilitators, sports and primary care physicians, nurses; professionals related to molecular biology, cardiovascular pharmacology, medical emergency, preventive medicine, among other profiles closely linked with the main issues of the event.
Aims of the congress: to set out all research results, by putting the accent on Central America and the Caribbean as well as in the rest of the continent; to improve the organization of the global health care for those patients suffering from different heart diseases; to exchange experiences and to gain knowledge about health promotion, prevention, medical, interventionist, surgical and rehab treatment for patients patients with different heart diseases – first cause of death in Cuba and worldwide-, or for people at the risk of suffering from them.

ISSUES

- Arrhythmia and Heart Stimulation / Atrial Fibrillation
- Ischemic Cardiopathy
- CV-Surgery / Aortic and Coronary Surgery / New Techniques
- CV-Pediatrics / Congenital Heart Defects
- Basic Sciences
- Valvular Heart Disease / Pulmonary Circulation / Pericardial Disease
- Heart Failure / Myocardopathies
- Coronary Intervention / Hemodynamics
- Cardiac Imaging / Multimodality
- Hypertension / Cardiovascular Pharmacology
- Prevention / Cardiovascular Risk
- Cardiac Rehab / Cardiology and Exercices
- Cardiology and Tropical Diseases
- Miscellany

The scientific program will include: simultaneous pre-event courses, master lectures, round tables, symposia, interactive workshops, debates with experts, and free oral and poster topics.

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS

Abstracts must be e-mailed with the following requirements:
- Word Processor: Word 6.0 or higher.
- Font letter: Arial, 12 points
- Text: Justified
- Space: 1,5 lines
- Margins: 2,5 cm
- Paper: 8 ½ x 11 (Letter)
- Title of the Paper: Arial, 14 points, centered and with bold letter

STRUCTURE OF ABSTRACTS

1. Title (not exceeding 15 words)
2. Author’s Name and surnames (no more than 6)
3. Institution
4. City and Country
5. Contact (e-mail and phone)
6. Objectives
7. Methods
8. Results
9. Conclusions
10. Modality of Presentation proposed by the author(s) (oral or poster)
11. Topic of the paper
12. Include 3 to 5 key words

Note: Abstract must not exceed 250 words and be written either in English or Spanish. Authors should have to send the abstracts to the following email: cardiologia2018@infomed.sld.cu.

IMPORTANT DATES

September 1, 2017 to January 31, 2018 – Submission of Abstracts
January 31 to February 28 – Information on Abstract Acceptance

SELECTION PROCESS

The Scientific Committee will approve the papers by taking into consideration the following aspects:
♥ Relation to the scientific issues of the event
♥ Scientific Innovation
♥ Theoretical and methodological contribution
♥ Practical value
♥ Innovation and generalization of results
♥ Scientific vision of the result

Abstracts timely submitted and accepted by the Scientific Committee will be included in the CD for the Proceedings of the Congress, as well as published on a Special Number/Edition of the Cuban Cardiology Magazine.

AUTHOR’S RIGHTS

♥ The Scientific Committee will have into consideration that all abstracts have been accepted and authorized for being presented in the Congress by people and institutions involved.
♥ The author will be utterly liable for all the interest conflicts, if that happened.
♥ He/She will be considered for the rights of their abstract inclusion into the proceedings of the event to be transferred to the Cuban Cardiology Society.

Those participants, who call for INVITATION LETTER for the corresponding official procedures, may ask the Executive Secretary of the Organizing Committee, Reinaldo de la Noval García, Dr.
E-mail: rdlng@infomed.sld.cu.
**TRADE AND SCIENTIFIC EXHIBITION**

In line with the event, a trade and scientific exhibition will be held in the Main Lobby of the Havana International Conference Center. This will be an exceptional opportunity for the medical equipment, pharmaceutical and technological industry, both domestic and international, to exhibit and commercialize their equipment, products, technological innovations, medicines and other materials closely related to the issues of the event.

Those interested people may contact:

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**ONLINE REGISTRATION FEE**  
Visit the following website: [www.cardiologiacuba.com](http://www.cardiologiacuba.com)

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* Cuban Convertible Pesos (CUC)  
**Deadline for the online payment – May 28, 2018**

(*) Undergraduate student, who decides to pay the online registration fee, must send to inesiglesias@infomed.sld.cu an attached document with one photocopy of the updated ID proving her/his condition as an undergraduate student. If it is not fulfilled, the payment will not be accepted as registration fee.

(**) The resident in Cuba, who decides to pay the online registration fee, must send to inesiglesias@infomed.sld.cu an attached document with one photocopy of the updated ID proving her/his condition as an undergraduate student. If it is not fulfilled, the payment will not be accepted as registration fee.
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Those interested people will have the possibility to pay in Cuba the corresponding registration fee on Tuesday, June 5, 2018, at 9.00 am – 5.00 pm, at the Registration Office of the Havana International Conference Center. The payment must be made in Cuban Convertible Pesos (CUC), the official currency circulating in the country.

The Cuban Convertible Pesos (CUC) can be obtained upon the arrival in the nation at airports, hotels, Banks and currency exchange offices (Cadecas). The exchange is according to the official daily exchange rate. The exchangeable currencies are: Euros, U.S. and Canadian Dollar, Sterling Pounds, Swiss Francs, Japanese Yens and Mexican Pesos.

Credit card payments are also allowed. The accepted credit cards are VISA, MASTERCARD, CABAL, as long as they are not drawn from a U.S. bank.

REGISTRATION FEE INCLUDES

Medical Professional, No-Medical Professional, Undergraduate Student and Resident in Cuba:
  - Credential
  - Set of Congress materials (portfolio, pen, writing pad, scientific program and CD with ISBN
  - Participation / author certificate
  - Participation in opening and closing ceremonies
  - Access to the scientific sessions
  - Welcoming Cocktail
  - Cultural Gala
  - Farewell Activity
Accompanying Person:

- Credential
- Souvenir
- Program for accompanying person
- Participation in opening and closing ceremonies
- Welcoming Cocktail
- Cultural Gala
- Farewell Activity

Those people interested in attending this event will also have the possibility to register by booking one of the special packages for **CARDIOLOGY 2018** made by International Sales Department of the Havana International Conference Center. Such a department provides you with the ONLINE payment, one single transaction, which guarantees your registration, Access to all activities scheduled in the official program of the event, lodging at Palco Hotel, in/out transfer, as well as personalized assistance at the airport.

Interested people may contact:

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PRELIMINARY GENERAL PROGRAM

Tuesday, June 5
17:00 – 19:00 hours  Registration
19:00 – 21:00 hours  Official opening ceremony and master lectures

Wednesday, June 6
09:00 – 12:30 hours  Scientific sessions
12:30 – 14:00 hours  Optional lunch
14:00 – 17:00 hours  Scientific sessions

Thursday, June 7
09:00 – 12:30 hours  Scientific sessions
12:30 – 14:00 hours  Optional lunch
14:00 – 17:00 hours  Scientific sessions
20:00 hours  Cultural gala

Friday, June 8
09:00 – 12:30 hours  Scientific sessions
13:00 – 14:00 hours  Closing ceremony
14:00 – 16:00 hours  Farewell activity

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