



1st Central European Congress of
Surgery 08

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April 23 - 26

2008

Prague



Czech Republic

Top Hotel Prague

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**SECOND
ANNOUNCEMENT**

INVITATION



On behalf of the International Scientific Committee, the Local Organising Committee and all Czech surgeons, it is my great pleasure to invite you to the 1st Central European Congress of Surgery to be held from 23 to 26 April 2008, in Prague, the capital of the Czech Republic.

The Prague congress of CECS will establish a new tradition for all surgeons of the Central European Region. Our aim is to put great emphasis on all developing fields of surgery, evidence-based medicine and new technologies; as well as on new approaches of surgeons with live demonstrations of surgical, endoscopic and X-ray procedures. Young surgeons are especially encouraged to participate.

The scientific programme will include state-of-the-art lectures on "hot" topics, oral presentations and posters, video sessions and satellite symposia. Many international experts will be invited to share their knowledge and experience in surgery, oncology, radiology and other areas of interest.

Since medieval times Prague has been known as one of the most beautiful cities in the world being referred to as "Prague of the hundred spires". It is not only the centre of cultural activities dating back for centuries; but it also represents a unique collection of historical monuments, headed by Prague Castle.

I would therefore like to invite you all and to urge all parties and professionals concerned to join us at the Prague congress where I shall have the pleasure of hosting you.

Prof. M. Ryska
Congress President

LOCAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE

Miroslav Ryska - Congress President

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NATIONAL SOCIETIES

Austrian Surgical Society
Croatian Society of Surgery
Czech Surgical Society
Hungarian Surgical Society
Association of Polish Surgeons
Slovak Surgical Society
Slovenian Association of Surgeons

TOPICS

Liver secundarities
GIT malignancies
Colorectal cancer
GIT bleeding
Laparoscopic surgery - controversies
Breast cancer
EBM in surgery
Experimental surgery
Robotic surgery - laparoscopies
History and future - collaboration in Europe
Multimodal concepts
New technologies
Notes

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME

Wednesday, April 23

	SET-UP and Registration
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Thursday, April 24

07:30 - 08:30	Breakfast with professor			07:30 - 08:30
09:00 - 10:00	Opening session		Opening session	09:00 - 10:00
10:00 - 11:00	Liver secundarities		GIT malignancies	10:00 - 11:00
11:00 - 11:30	Coffee break		Coffee break	11:00 - 11:30
11:30 - 13:00	Live demo – Colorectal cancer		GIT bleeding	11:30 - 13:00
13:00 - 14:00	Lunch/Satellite Symposium		Lunch/Satellite Symposium	13:00 - 14:00
14:00 - 15:30	Colorectal cancer		Laparoscopic surgery – controversies	14:00 - 15:30
15:30 - 16:00	Coffee break		Coffee break	15:30 - 16:00
16:00 - 17:30	Live demo – gastroenterology		Laparoscopic surgery – controversies	16:00 - 17:30

Poster Session - Free papers

Friday, April 25

07:30 - 08:30	Breakfast with professor			07:30 - 08:30
09:00 - 10:30	Breast cancer		How to publish + statistics, evidence based medicine (EBM)	09:00 - 10:30
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee break		Coffee break	10:30 - 11:00
11:00 - 12:30	Live demo – gastroenterology		Experimental surgery	11:00 - 12:30
12:30 - 14:00	Lunch/Satellite Symposium		Lunch/Satellite Symposium	12:30 - 14:00
14:00 - 15:30	Robotic surgery, laparoscopies		History and future, collaboration in Europe	14:00 - 15:30
15:30 - 16:00	Coffee break		Coffee break	15:30 - 16:00
16:00 - 17:30	Live demo – Robotic surgery, liver		Multimodal concepts	16:00 - 17:30

Poster Session - Free papers

Saturday, April 26

9:00 - 10:00	New technologies
10:00 - 10:30	Best Poster Awards
10:30 - 11:00	Notes
11:00 - 11:30	Closing session

INVITED SPEAKERS

Bekavac-Beslin Miroslav (Croatia)
 Boros Mihaly (Hungary)
 Dziki Adam (Poland)
 Fried Martin (Czech Republic)
 Gadzijev Eldar (Slovenia)
 Habib Nagy (United Kingdom)
 Hoch Jiri (Czech Republic)
 Horvath Ors Peter (Hungary)

Jaeck Daniel (France)
 Martinek Jan (Czech Republic)
 Olah Attila (Hungary)
 Pfeifer Johann (Austria)
 Regula Jaroslaw (Poland)
 Rubin Moshe (Israel)
 Ryska Miroslav (Czech Republic)
 Schoefl Rainer (Austria)
 Yahagi Naohisa (Japan)
 Zavoral Miroslav (Czech Republic)

IMPORTANT DATES

Abstracts submission deadline:	December 17, 2007
Scientific Committee acceptance/rejection decisions (on the website):	January 25, 2008
Deadline for early registration at reduced fee:	January 31, 2008
Abstract acceptance/rejection letter (sent to authors):	by February 29, 2008

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

The Scientific Committee invites and encourages all authors to submit their abstracts for consideration and inclusion in the scientific programme. The selected abstracts will be printed in the Book of Abstracts published as a Supplement to European Surgery, which will be distributed at the Congress.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

All abstracts can be submitted only on-line via the Congress web site: www.central-european-surgery.com. Notification of abstract receipt will be automatically displayed after delivery to the abstract database. Instructions for authors can be found at www.central-european-surgery.com. In case of difficulties during submission please contact CECS Congress Secretariat at: cecsabstracts@guarant.cz.

EXHIBITION AND SPONSORSHIP

A wide selection of sponsorship opportunities has been prepared. For detailed information please visit the Congress web site at www.central-european-surgery.com.

REGISTRATION

To register for the Congress, please complete the on-line Registration Form at the Congress web site.

Before filling in please read the instruction carefully.

In case of difficulties during registration please contact CECS Congress Secretariat at: cecs@guarant.cz

REGISTRATION FEES AND DEADLINES

	Early by January 31, 2008	Late after January 31, 2008
Delegate	200 EUR	250 EUR
Student*, Young doctor**	150 EUR	175 EUR
Accompanying person	100 EUR	120 EUR

**To apply for the student registration fee, the applicant must be under 35 years of age and his/her Registration Form must be sent together with a personalized letter signed by the head of the relevant faculty and stamped with the official stamp. The letter must clearly indicate that the applicant is a full-time student. A proof of the age (ID) will be required on-site at the registration desk.*

***To apply for the young doctor registration fee, the applicant must be under 32 years of age. A proof of the age (ID) will be required on-site at the registration desk.*

WHAT IS COVERED BY THE FEE?

Registration fee for delegates, students and young doctors covers:

- Admission to scientific sessions and satellite symposia
- Final programme and Abstract book
- Refreshments
- Opening ceremony and Get-together cocktail
- Admission to industrial exhibition

Registration fee for accompanying persons covers:

- Opening ceremony and Get-together cocktail
- Prague City Tour
- Admission to industrial exhibition

ACCOMMODATION



To make a hotel reservation, please fill the on-line Accommodation Form at the Congress web site. The reservation will be made on a first come-first served basis. Any reservations made after February 14, 2008 are subject to availability.

TOP HOTEL Praha is located within a quiet area of the Prague 4 city district. Entire hotel complex extends around the vast greenery and it belongs to the largest hotel premises in Europe with its area of 9 hectares (22 acres). Under one roof, it offers accommodations, conference seats, restaurants, wellness and fitness centres, indoor tennis court and many other services. The hotel is a member of the "TOP International Hotels" network, of the professional NFHR and ASTA associations, and of the foreign chambers of commerce.

TOP HOTEL Prague offers luxury accommodations in 950 four-star hotel rooms, in which you can also find a minibar or television sets with satellite reception. Rooms of higher standard are equipped with an individually controlled air conditioning and internet connection.

TOP HOTEL Prague can be proud of the 11 gastronomic establishments where you can enjoy Czech and International cuisine.

TOP HOTEL Prague is one of the largest convention facilities in the Czech Republic. Overall capacity is 5,000 conference seats.

RATES

Single room	87 EUR
Double room	115 EUR

All the rates quoted are per room and per night including breakfast and VAT 5 %. Should the VAT change by the beginning of the Congress, the Congress Secretariat will automatically change the price of your hotel reservation and will inform you in writing about a new rate. Extras have to be paid directly at the hotel reception before departure.

For further choice on hotels please visit Congress web site www.central-european-surgery.com

SOCIAL EVENTS

GET-TOGETHER COCKTAIL



Thursday, April 24, 2008
19:00 – 21:00

Get-together cocktail will take place at the Top Hotel, in the Japanese garden and summer terraces or inside depending on the weather.

Included in the registration fee.

RECEPTION AT KOLIBA



Friday, April 25, 2008
19:00 – 22:00

Please accept our invitation to an architecturally unique building, which offers an unusual view of our capital. Come to experience great cuisine and specialities prepared on the open grill while listening to gipsy-like music, dancing and singing.

Price:

50 EUR per person

The reservation can be proceeded on-line at the Congress web site.

TOURS

Special tours and excursions have been arranged exclusively for the delegates and accompanying persons at the CECS 2008. All tours will leave from and return to the Top Hotel.

A minimum number of participants is 15. Congress Secretariat reserves the right to cancel the tour for which a minimum number of participants have not registered. In this case another tour will be offered or a refund will be paid at the Registration Desk.

Booking in advance is recommended, on-site availability cannot be guaranteed. To book one of the following tours, please fill in the relevant section in the Tour Form.

TOURS OVERVIEW

Day	Time	Tour	Cost
Thursday 24/4	13:00 – 16:00	Prague City	25 EUR
Friday 25/4	09:00 – 13:00	Old Town and Jewish Quarter	50 EUR
Saturday 26/4	09:00 – 17:30	Křivoklát Castle and Glassworks in Nižbor	75 EUR
Saturday 26/4	09:00 – 12:30	Prague Castle	38 EUR

PRAGUE CITY



Thursday, April 24, 2008
13:00 – 16:00

This tour offers a general impression of the "Golden City" through walks and visits to several important sites. It starts at the Prague Castle and continues to the Lesser Town, Charles Bridge and the Old Town Square where you can see the Old Town Hall and its 15th century astronomical clock, as well as the Church of Our Lady of Týn and the romantic streets of the Royal Way. Enjoy this

tour listening to ancient legends and tales, while observing and monitoring the pulsation of a Central European metropolis

Price: **25 EUR per person** (including English-speaking guide, transfers)

OLD TOWN AND JEWISH QUARTER



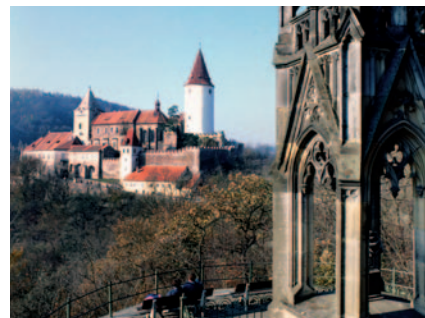
Friday, April 25, 2008
09:00 – 13:00

This half-day walking tour will take you to the historical heart of the city - the Old Town, which was settled more than 1000 years ago. The tour begins at the Powder Gate, through which you get to the Old-Town Square with beautiful houses, palaces and churches of various architectonic styles and a famous astronomical clock. The tour continues to the

Jewish Quarter, where the medieval Jewish Ghetto was located. The story of Prague's Jewish community can be traced back to the middle of the 10th century. You will visit the impressive Old Jewish Cemetery, which dates from the 15th century, Europe's oldest Synagogue - the Gothic style Old-New Synagogue, the High Synagogue, the Town Hall, the Pinkas Synagogue and the Ceremonial Hall with its collection of children's art from the Terezin concentration camp.

Price: **50 EUR per person** (including English-speaking guide, transfers, admissions)

KŘIVOKLÁT CASTLE AND GLASSWORKS IN NIŽBOR



Saturday, April 26, 2008
09:00 – 17:30

This day-long tour visits the 12th century Křivoklát Castle, tucked away in pinewoods along the Berounka river valley. King Otakar II of the Premyslid dynasty built the castle, which was later inhabited by King Vaclav IV. The Round Tower and a dungeon served as prisons, and the brutal instruments of torture are on display today. The castle chapel,

55,000-volume library, and works of art can be seen on this tour. Internationally renowned Bohemian crystal will be featured on the visit to the Nižbor Glassworks. Company owner Jiří Ruckl continues the family tradition of manufacturing and marketing high-quality household and decorative glassware, perfume bottles, decanter sets and other beautiful items in crystal and glass.

Price: **75 EUR per person** (including English-speaking guide, transfers, admissions, lunch)

PRAGUE CASTLE



Saturday, April 26, 2008

09:00 – 12:30

The half-day sightseeing tour of the Prague Castle, which is the seat of the Czech President, includes the Royal Palace, the seat of the kings of Bohemia with the Vladislav Hall, The St. Vitus Cathedral from the 14th century, St. George's Basilica with its treasury of old Czech art, Baroque paintings and sculpture, the Royal Garden and the Golden Lane

whose famous inhabitants included the writer Franz Kafka. You will have an opportunity to admire a variety of architectonic styles showing the progress of European architecture throughout the centuries.

Price: **38 EUR per person** (including English-speaking guide, transfers, admissions)

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