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Dear Colleagues and Friends,

It is my privilege, and pleasure, on behalf of the organizing committee, to announce the upcoming ESGAR meeting, to be held in the city of Lisbon, Portugal, from June 12 – 15, 2007. I wish to cordially invite you to attend this annual meeting which, as usual, carries the quality seal of our Society. Encompassing the major goal of ESGAR, which is devoted to promoting sound postgraduate Radiological education throughout Europe, the time has finally come to offer our distinguished members the opportunity to share scientific knowledge and technical expertise with their Iberian colleagues.

This year’s post-graduate course will be devoted to Abdominal MRI, allowing a comprehensive and extensive coverage of its latest developments, including technical implementations in a broad range of clinical applications. The scientific content of the meeting will provide up-to-date, focused information in several abdominal topics, in an integrated multimodality perspective, ranging from high-resolution isotropic imaging and 3D applications to functional imaging and quantification. The meeting offers 10 lecture sessions, 30 workshops as well as new features such as the “Hot Topic” session and a “Foundation Course” on radiologic-pathologic correlation, successfully inaugurated last year in Crete.

Other innovative features that we are prone to implement this year are specific workshops with a resident-directed content entitled “The essentials” as well as special formats such as “Ask the Experts” which are designed to promote educational interaction. Again, many lunch symposia will take place, giving us an extra-insight in focused topics concerning abdominal diagnostic and interventional radiology.

On behalf of ESGAR I would also like to invite you all to submit scientific papers and posters for presentation in scientific sessions and in EPOS, which are one of the milestones of sound, scientific knowledge, pinpointing the future trends and research directions.

Besides an attractive scientific content, but not least important, we hope that participants will have the opportunity to get acquainted with the beautiful seaside city of Lisbon, during one of its best seasons and can take advantage of the vast cultural and gastronomic heritage. The local organizing committee is committed to providing unforgettable moments and is working hard to be able to deliver enjoyable social events during the meeting.

There may be a thousand reasons to come and visit Lisbon, but science and culture, side-by-side, may still be one of the best formulas to fulfill our intellectual expectations. We do hope that you can accept this friendly invitation and be able to share with us the quiet and pleasant capital city of Portugal.

See you at ESGAR 2007! See you in June 2007! Esperamos por vós...até Lisboa!

Prof. Dr. Filipe Caseiro Alves
Meeting President
ABBREVIATIONS
The following abbreviations are used in the programme:

HL  Honorary Lecture
LS  Lecture Session
PG  Postgraduate Course
PS  Plenary Session
WS  Workshop

CASE OF THE DAY
Different cases will be displayed each day from Tuesday, June 12 to Friday, June 15, 2007 giving registrants the opportunity to take part in the quiz and check the results on the following day. The participant who solves the most cases will receive a diploma and be announced in the ESGAR newsletter. The coordinator of the ESGAR 2007 Case of the Day competition is A. Palkó, Szeged/HU.

FILM READING SESSION
The Film Reading Session will be conducted as a team event. Two teams of experienced abdominal and gastrointestinal radiologists from Europe will compete against each other to discuss and solve difficult and unknown cases. This is a very challenging session; the teams only receive the cases for interpretation on the day of the Film Reading Session.

FOUNDATION COURSE
This educational feature, successfully introduced at ESGAR 2006, will be repeated with different topics at ESGAR 2007. As its name implies, the ‘foundation course’ is designed to provide fundamental information about abdominal and gastrointestinal radiology for all registrants from residents to senior radiologists. In the Foundation course, gastrointestinal and abdominal radiological knowledge will be complemented with that of medical, surgical and pathologic information to provide a complete overview of gastrointestinal diseases and their management.

HOT TOPICS
This special session will be devoted to the analysis and discussion of evolving imaging or therapeutic modalities. Three topics, each potentially important for the future of abdominal radiology, have been selected. These are: A primer for Abdominal Radiologists on molecular imaging; An overview of 3T MR imaging of the abdomen and Advances in virtual reality directly applied to the field of interventional radiology.

LECTURE SESSIONS
All lecture sessions are dedicated to a special area of interest with defined learning objectives to ensure integration and avoid overlap. Sessions are designed not only to describe modalities for imaging and therapy, but to stress clinical relevance and outcomes. Discussion will be facilitated.

LUNCH SYMPOSIA
Each day at lunchtime, symposia will be held in collaboration with industrial companies. The subjects of these symposia will include a variety of “hot topics” concerning ongoing developments in some major fields of abdominal diagnostic and interventional radiology.

POSTGRADUATE COURSE
“ABDOMINAL MRI: AN UPDATE”

The Course reviews and summarises key issues of abdominal MRI imaging that are important for general Radiologists and Radiologists in training, while including newer aspects of interest for sub-specialists and experts in abdominal imaging. The course will cover technique and imaging protocols, hepatobiliary, pancreatic and bowel MRI. The final talk, the ESGAR Honorary Lecture, will be a personal perspective on important aspects of abdominal MRI by a distinguished expert in the field.

SCIENTIFIC EXHIBITS – EPOS™
All scientific exhibits (posters) at ESGAR 2007 will be displayed in EPOS™ format. EPOS™ was originally introduced at ECR 2003 in Vienna. The system has been made available to other radiological Societies aiming at the creation of one European Radiology database of scientific exhibits. ESGAR successfully introduced this format at ESGAR 2004 in Geneva and will use it in 2007 for scientific and educational exhibits. EPOS™ allows registrants to submit the exhibits online, to view them in the conference centre and send selected material to participants’ individual e-mail addresses for easy referencing. EPOS™ allows the uploading and display of media files, such as images, tables and graphs and also allows the inclusion of video clips, Powerpoint slides, Flash or Director Shockwave animations in your presentation.

Following successful submission and acceptance of an abstract by the author, he/she will receive detailed information and deadlines for uploading their scientific material into this database. The scientific and educational posters displayed at ESGAR 2007 in EPOS™ will be included in the permanent ESGAR/ECR online poster database after the meeting (subject to authors confirmation). This database is available on the ESGAR website www.esgar.org and is fully searchable by title, poster ID, author (co-authors), full text and image annotation.
SCIENTIFIC SESSIONS
Researchers will present original proffered papers on new and original aspects of abdominal imaging and intervention. Selected papers will be gathered into sessions, each dealing with a homogenous topic. Time will be available after each presentation for discussion between researchers and attendees. (Please see also “Abstract submission” on one of the following pages)

UNIVERSITY CHALLENGE
‘University Challenge’ is an entertaining and challenging Radiological Quiz for two teams of trainee and junior radiologists. A team of three to four radiologists from Portugal will compete against a team from other countries. Each team will have the opportunity to solve several unknown cases and answer tricky joker questions. A team of referees ensures that the panelists comply with the rules and adjudicate on the awarding of marks. The session is scientifically challenging and entertaining.
Moderator: Alan H. Freeman, Cambridge/UK
Referees: To be announced

WORKSHOPS
ESGAR 2007 continues a project to enhance the educational impact of workshops. Throughout the meeting, different workshop formats will be offered to registrants. Most workshops will be delivered in the traditional format, but there will also be interactive and small group workshops. Please note that all workshops will run in parallel. Each participant can attend one workshop per day. When registering for the meeting, please do not forget to also choose the workshop you wish to attend. Places in workshops will be assigned on a first come first served basis.

Traditional Workshops
These workshops are given by two faculty members. Active interaction between the instructor and the registrants will be encouraged, as appropriate. Compared with a lecture, it is intended that the smaller workshop environment will facilitate discussion between instructors and audience, allowing registrants to have specific learning needs addressed. There are several ‘Tracks’ within the traditional workshops:
• GI diagnostic imaging
• Solid organ imaging
• Abdominal Interventional Radiology.
• ‘The Essentials.’ This new track is specifically intended to be of interest and value to residents and those radiologists seeking basic and comprehensive reviews of key topics. It has two themes. First, workshop topics ‘From the European Radiology Curriculum.’ ESGAR recognizes the vital importance of this new curriculum to the harmonization of radiology education across Europe. There are 10 GI and Abdominal Radiology subsections in the basic curriculum. Two will be covered at each annual ESGAR meeting. Thus, over a 5-year period, a resident attending all meetings could review this whole section of the curriculum. In 2007, the small bowel (section 2.4) and biliary tract (section 2.9) will be covered. Second, topics ‘For the resident on-call’; a self-explanatory concept. This year, the subject of that workshop will be MDCT in abdominal trauma.

Interactive Workshops
Interactive workshops are designed to transfer knowledge in a context close to that in which it will eventually be used, thus enhancing its retention. In this format, audience size will be limited and the teaching methods will be designed to maximize active audience involvement. ‘Hands-on’ workshops have been a feature of the ESGAR meeting for several years now. This year’s topics are sonography and video fluoroscopy. As at ESGAR 2006, there will be daily workstation-based workshops on CT Colonography and MR of rectal cancer.

Ask the experts
This new interactive programme option, presented for the first time at ESGAR 2007, gives participants the opportunity to clarify specific educational points on selected topics linked to the Postgraduate Course content. The ESGAR 2007 workshop topics will be MR imaging of the liver, pancreas and bile ducts; the workshop content will be directly driven by the participants. All registrants are kindly invited to submit questions relevant to these topics and based on technical/clinical problems they have experienced in their day-to-day practice. The material (including any submitted images) will be sent to an expert for in-depth analysis. The questions will then be discussed in detail (anonymously if you wish) during the workshops. Questions and images may be submitted up to 3 weeks before the meeting. Questions may be submitted via registration up to 24 hours before the workshop. Detailed instructions on how to submit questions and images can be found on the ESGAR website (http://www.esgar.org).

Evidence-Based practice (EBP)
This course of three integrated workshops uses “problem-based” and “interactive” learning techniques to improve understanding of effective strategies for adult learning and to teach registrants how to identify robust answers to important questions arising in their departments. Topics include how to formulate a searchable question, design a literature search, explicitly appraise diagnostic and interventional studies and apply ‘evidence-based’ conclusions in practice. Each participant will be asked to identify an abdominal radiology problem from his/her department that the tutors will help them address during the course and to attend all workshops. Printed, software and Internet-based resource materials will be provided. If you would like to attend this workshop series please email the ESGAR co-ordinator: eschwarzinger@esgar.org
The ESGAR Programme Committee invites submissions of abstracts of scientific and educational presentations for ESGAR 2007. Selected abstracts will be accepted for oral presentations (6 minutes speaking time, 2 minutes discussion) and for electronic poster presentation, to be shown at ESGAR 2007 in EPOS™ the electronic presentation online system.

**Abstract submission**

(by Internet only – www.esgar.org) will be possible from October 16, 2006 – January 15, 2007

Access to the abstract submission system, together with full instructions and guidelines will be from a link at the ESGAR website www.esgar.org. The abstract submission system closes at midnight on Monday, January 15, 2007. Late submissions cannot be accepted.

**Scientific abstracts** (oral and scientific exhibition [EPOS™] presentations) must be structured as follows:
- Purpose – Materials and Methods – Results – Conclusion

**Educational exhibition (EPOS™) abstracts** must be structured as follows:
- Learning objectives – Background – Imaging Findings or Procedure Details – Conclusion

Abstracts longer than 220 words will not be accepted by the system.

Projects can only be submitted in one presentation category. Posters already on the EPOS™ database may not be re-submitted to ESGAR. Accepted abstracts will be published in the June 2007 European Radiology Supplement.

**ESGAR Abstract Review and Grading**

The Programme Committee recognises that the ESGAR scientific programme has been the equal of any other radiology programme in the past but wishes to improve it further. Most diagnostic radiology research presented at ESGAR comprises evaluation of the technical and diagnostic performance of imaging methods and pictorial essays/radiologic-pathologic correlation. Interventional radiology research is also presented. A large panel of sub-specialist expert radiologists will grade submitted abstracts within their area of expertise. While expert opinion is crucial, objective criteria have also been formulated to help reviewers identify the best-designed and strongest studies and best analysed data in these categories.

In 2006, one in three oral and scientific exhibition [EPOS™] presentations was rejected. Abstracts that scored less than 4.5 were unlikely to be accepted and most accepted abstracts scored from 5.5 to 9 points (maximum 10). When the abstract submission system opens, a link will be provided to ‘Tips for better abstract writing’. This link will enable abstract writers to read the ‘Guidelines for Abstract Reviewers’. These are the objective criteria that will be used for abstract scoring. Simple spreadsheet calculators can be downloaded by authors to help them prepare their results. These will facilitate the calculation of basic statistical indices (sensitivity, specificity, predictive values, confidence intervals etc.) from raw data. We suggest you use these resources during study design, data analysis and abstract writing to improve your chances of acceptance. You can also use the online ‘Guidelines for Abstract Reviewers’ to calculate a likely score for your work. Doing this will help you to improve scientific abstracts, maximising both your chances of acceptance for ESGAR 2007 and the final impact of your work. Submitted abstracts can be edited directly on the Internet until the deadline.

**Notification of Acceptance**

Submitters will receive the notifications of acceptance by e-mail at the beginning of March 2007. If the submitter is not the presenting author they are asked to make sure that the notifications are forwarded to the presenting author. Detailed guidelines for oral presentations and EPOS™ presentations will be published on the ESGAR website at that time. Authors with accepted abstracts for scientific exhibits will receive by e-mail a link to the EPOS™ system enabling them to upload their EPOS™ presentation prior to the meeting.

If you wish to withdraw your submission after January 15, 2007, inform the Central ESGAR Office in writing (e-mail, fax) immediately.

**AUDIO VISUAL SERVICES (AVS):**

Only data projection will be provided for oral presentations. Presentations must be prepared using PowerPoint for PC. Macintosh presentations must be saved in PC format. Speakers must deliver their presentation to the Preview Centre on a separate, labeled, CD-ROM or USB stick. (ZIP disks are not accepted). Speakers are responsible for testing their presentation for compatibility at the meeting, before handing it in. Further details will be made available together with the notification of acceptance.

**ESGAR TOP 20**

The best 20 abstracts, submitted by residents who appear as the first author on the respective abstract and who will actually present their paper during the meeting, form the “ESGAR Top 20”. Authors will receive a diploma, confirming that their abstracts have received the best ratings among other abstracts submitted. ESGAR Top 20 authors can be recognised by a special badge during the meeting.

**EPOS PRIZES**

The best ESGAR EPOS presentations will be awarded a diploma. There will be one Magna Cum Laude, one Cum Laude and seven Certificates of Merit. The evaluation will be performed by a committee before the meeting and prize-winning presentations will be flagged as such in the EPOS™ system on site. Evaluation will be based on Novelty, Accuracy, Educational Value and Design.
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POSTGRADUATE COURSE (PG) – ABDOMINAL MRI: AN UPDATE

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Moderators: C. Bartolozzi, Pisa/IT; F. Caseiro-Alves, Coimbra/PT

- 09:00  Technical innovations: What you need to know  D. Lomas, Cambridge/UK
- 09:20  Perfusion and diffusion-weighted imaging  V. Vilgrain, Clichy/FR
- 09:40  Standardizing imaging protocols: Bowel  N. Papanikolaou, Iraklion/GR
- 10:00  Standardizing imaging protocols: Solid organs  Y. Menu, Le Kremlin-Bicêtre/FR

11:00 – 12:30  PG 2  LIVER
Moderators: M. Laniado, Dresden/DE; I. Tavora, Lisbon/PT

- 11:00  Contrast agents for imaging focal lesions: white, black or both?  J. Ward, Leeds/UK
- 11:20  Focal lesions in cirrhosis  B. Op de Beeck, Edegem/BE
- 11:40  Incidental liver lesions  C. Catalano, Rome/IT
- 12:00  Iron, fat and fibrosis  B. Van Beers, Brussels/BE

14:15 – 15:45  PG 3  BILE DUCTS AND PANCREAS
Moderators: J. Lameris, Amsterdam/NL; H. Mori, Oita/JP

- 14:15  Benign bile duct disease  R. Manfredi, Verona/IT
- 14:35  Malignant bile duct disease  J.A. Guthrie, Leeds/UK
- 14:55  Pancreatic neoplasms  G. Morana, Treviso/IT
- 15:15  Secretin-enhanced pancreatic MR  C. Matos, Brussels/BE

16:15 – 17:45  PG 4  BOWEL IMAGING
Moderators: J.-M. Bruel, Montpellier/FR; D. Maglinte, Indianapolis, IN/US

- 16:15  MR of the bowel: why and when  P. Paolantonio, Latina/IT
- 16:35  Small bowel MR: image interpretation  N. Gourtsoyiannis, Iraklion/GR
- 16:55  Rectal cancer: staging and follow-up  R. Beets-Tan, Maastricht/NL
- 17:15  Fistula-in-ano: what the radiologist should know  S. Halligan, London/UK

18:00 – 18:30  HL 1  ESGAR HONORARY LECTURE
Prometheus in the 21st Century  P. Robinson, Leeds/UK

18:30 – 19:30  PS 1  OPENING CEREMONY

19:30 – 21:00  WELCOME RECEPTION
LECTURE SESSIONS (LS) / PLENARY SESSIONS (PS)

09:00 - 10:30 LS 1 SCREENING FOR COLORECTAL CARCINOMA
Moderators: R. Frost, Salisbury/UK; T. Fork, Malmö/SE

09:00 The case for screening: an epidemiologist’s viewpoint tba
09:20 How and where are we screening? Lessons learned from efforts to establish national programmes S. Rafaelsen, Vejle/DK
09:40 Raising the bar: what are the barriers to the use of CTC in screening? S. Taylor, London/UK
10:00 MDCTC: dedicated protocols for the ‘screening’ patient A. Laghi, Rome/IT
10:20 Panel discussion

09:00 - 10:30 LS 2 VASCULAR DISEASES OF THE LIVER
Moderators: D. E. Malone, Dublin/IE; G.H. Mostbeck, Vienna/AT

09:00 The hepatic vascular supply: a unique anatomical model D.J. Breen, Southampton/UK
09:20 Pathological entities affecting the sinusoidal space Y. Menu, Le Kremlin-Bicêtre/FR
09:40 Hepatic vein disease D. Mathieu, Aix-en-Provence/FR
10:00 Hemodynamics of normal and diseased liver: observations from angiography-assisted CT O. Matsui, Kanazawa/JP
10:20 Panel discussion

14:15 - 15:45 LS 3 HCC: UPDATE ON DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT
Moderators: C. Becker, Geneva/CH; P. Almeida, Coimbra/PT

14:15 What’s new in early diagnosis of HCC in the cirrhotic liver? C. Bartolozzi, Pisa/IT
14:35 Radical treatment and palliation: Appraisal of diagnostic inclusion criteria R. Lencioni, Pisa/IT
14:55 Percutaneous treatment: is RFA still the method of choice? P. Pereira, Tübingen/DE
15:15 Endovascular treatment: beyond lipiodol chemo-embolisation T. De Baere, Villejuif/FR
15:35 Panel discussion

14:15 - 15:45 LS 4 MDCT OF NON-NEOPLASTIC INTESTINAL DISEASES
Moderators: A. Freeman, Cambridge/UK; O. Ekberg, Malmö/SE

14:15 Bowel obstruction J-M. Bruel, Montpellier/FR
14:35 Acute GI tract bleeding B. Marincek, Zurich/CH
14:55 Ischaemia and infarction S. Romano, Naples/IT
15:15 Inflammatory bowel disease R. Gore, Evanston/US
15:35 Panel discussion

16:15 - 16:35 HL 2 SGR HONORARY LECTURE
Hepatic Masses: Challenges and Opportunities for Radiologists M. Federle, Pittsburgh, PA/US

16:35 - 16:55 HL 3 JSAR HONORARY LECTURE
Transcatheter arterial chemoembolization for hepatocellular carcinoma in Japan H. Nakamura, Osaka/JP

17:00 - 18:00 PS 2 FILM READING SESSION
Moderator: C. Becker, Geneva/CH

Panellists: TEAM 1 TEAM 2
P. Huppert, Darmstadt/DE L. Crocetti, Pisa/IT
C. Stoupis, Maennedorf/CH C. Triantopoulou, N.Ionia/GR
P. Pokieser, Vienna/AT M. Staunton, Hamilton, ON/CA
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LECTURE SESSIONS (LS) / PLENARY SESSIONS (PS)

09:00 – 10:30  LS 5  PANCREATITIS - COMPLICATIONS AND THEIR TREATMENT
Moderators: R. Dondelinger, Liège/BE; D. Martin, Manchester/UK

09:00 Acute pancreatitis: imaging update  D.E. Malone, Dublin/IE
09:20 Vascular complications: diagnostic and treatment options  P. Goffette, Brussels/BE
09:40 Percutaneous drainage of pancreatic and extrapancreatic fluid collections – when and how  S. Feuerbach, Regensburg/DE
10:00 Endoscopic US-guided intervention in pancreatitis: the gold standard?  J. Deviere, Brussels/BE
10:20 Panel discussion

09:00 – 10:30  LS 6  PEARLS AND PITFALLS IN ABDOMINAL IMAGING
Moderators: J. Venancio, Lisbon/PT; C. Bru, Barcelona/ES

09:00 Ultrasound  L. Solbiati, Busto Arsizio/IT
09:20 MDCT of solid organs  R. Baron, Chicago, IL/US
09:40 MRI  L. Marti-Bonmati, Valencia/ES
10:00 PET/CT  M. Bellomi, Milan/IT
10:20 Panel discussion

14:15 – 15:45  LS 7  COLORECTAL METASTASES: LIVER AND BEYOND
Moderators: R. Baron, Chicago, IL/US; C. Dromain, Villejuif/FR

14:15 Diagnostic Imaging Methods:
A systematic review and meta-analysis  J. Stoker, Amsterdam/NL
14:30 MDCT: how to maximize accuracy  F. Caseiro-Alves, Coimbra/PT
14:45 MRI: how to maximize accuracy  E. Rummeny, Munich/DE
15:00 PET/CT: how to maximize accuracy  S. Skehan, Dublin/IE
15:15 Therapy for colorectal liver metastases: trends and outcomes  A. Gillams, London/UK
15:35 Panel discussion

14:15 – 15:45  LS 8  SCANNING AROUND THE CLOCK: IMAGING ACUTE ABDOMINAL CONDITIONS
Moderators: B. Marincek, Zurich/CH; M. Federle, Pittsburgh, PA/US

14:15 Right lower quadrant pain  J. Puylaert, The Hague/NL
14:35 Right upper quadrant pain  S. Efremidis, Ioannina/GR
14:55 Left upper quadrant pain  C. Stoupis, Maennedorf/CH
15:15 Left lower quadrant pain  A. Dixon, Cambridge/UK
15:35 Panel discussion

16:15 – 17:15  PS 3  HOT TOPICS AND EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES
Moderators: C. Bartolozzi, Pisa/IT; W. Lees, London/UK

16:15 Molecular Imaging: what are we talking about?  B. Hamm, Berlin/DE
16:55 Virtual imaging and surgical simulation  D. Caramella, Pisa/IT

17:15 – 18:15  ESGAR GENERAL ASSEMBLY
LECTURE SESSIONS (LS) / PLENARY SESSIONS (PS)

09:00 – 10:30 LS 9 ABDOMINAL (NEURO) ENDOCRINE TUMOURS
Moderators: O. Akhan, Ankara/TR; C. Aube, Angers/FR

- 09:00 Clinical overview: a radiologist’s perspective  tba
- 09:20 Imaging pancreaticoduodenal endocrine tumours  M. Zins, Paris/FR
- 09:40 Imaging GISTs and endocrine tumours of the bowel  A. Madureira, Porto/PT
- 10:00 Liver metastases: treatment options  A. Denys, Lausanne/CH
- 10:20 Panel discussion

09:00 – 10:30 LS 10 IMAGING EVALUATION OF THE PELVIC FLOOR:
REVISITING MORPHOLOGY AND FUNCTION
Moderators: C. Bartram, Chalfont St. Giles/UK; A. Ginai, Rotterdam/NL

- 09:00 From anatomy to function: what the radiologist needs to know  C. Savoye-Collet, Rouen/FR
- 09:20 Defecography: when and how  S. Somers, Dundas, ON/CA
- 09:40 US evaluation: when and how  M. Marshall, Harrow/UK
- 10:00 The MR approach for morphology and function  D. Weishaupt, Zurich/CH
- 10:20 Panel discussion

14:15 –15:15 PS 4 FOUNDATION COURSE: RADIOLOGIC-PATHOLOGIC CORRELATIONS I
Moderators: N. Gourtsoyiannis, Iraklion/GR; P. Ros, Boston, MA/US

- 14:15 Gastrointestinal lymphoma  R. Mendelson, Perth, WA/AU
- 14:35 Small bowel adenocarcinoma & carcinoid  N. Gourtsoyiannis, Iraklion/GR
- 14:55 Idiopathic Colitis  J. Reeders, Willemstad, Curacao/NL

15:30 – 16:30 PS 5 FOUNDATION COURSE: RADIOLOGIC-PATHOLOGIC CORRELATIONS II
Moderators: N. Gourtsoyiannis, Iraklion/GR; P. Ros, Boston, MA/US

- 15:30 Benign tumours of the liver  G. Brancatelli, Palermo/IT
- 15:50 Cholangiocarcinoma  M.J. Kim, Seoul/KR
- 16:10 Solid tumours of the pancreas  T. Helmberger, Luebeck/DE

16:45 – 17:45 PS 6 UNIVERSITY CHALLENGE
Moderator: A. Freeman, Cambridge/UK
ESGAR 2007 continues a project to enhance the educational impact of workshops. Throughout the meeting, different workshop formats will be offered to registrants. Most workshops will be delivered in the traditional format, but there will also be interactive and small group workshops. Please note that all workshops will run in parallel. Each participant can attend one workshop per day. When registering for the meeting, please do not forget to also choose the workshop you wish to attend. Places in workshops will be assigned on a first come first served basis.

TRADITIONAL WORKSHOPS
These workshops are given by two faculty members. Active interaction between the instructor and the registrants will be encouraged, as appropriate. Compared with a lecture, it is intended that the smaller workshop environment will facilitate discussion between instructors and audience, allowing registrants to have specific learning needs addressed. There are several 'Tracks' within the traditional workshops:
• GI diagnostic imaging
• Solid organ imaging
• Abdominal Interventional Radiology
• ‘The Essentials.’ This new track is specifically intended to be of interest and value to residents and those radiologists seeking basic and comprehensive reviews of key topics. It has two themes. First, workshop topics ‘From the European Radiology Curriculum.’ ESGAR recognizes the vital importance of this new curriculum to the harmonization of radiology education across Europe. There are 10 GI and Abdominal Radiology subsections in the basic curriculum. Two will be covered at each annual ESGAR meeting. Thus, over a 5-year period, a resident attending all meetings could review this whole section of the curriculum. In 2007, the small bowel (section 2.4) and biliary tract (section 2.9) will be covered. Second, topics ‘For the resident on-call’; a self-explanatory concept. This year, the subject of that workshop will be MDCT in abdominal trauma. (****)

INTERACTIVE WORKSHOPS
Interactive workshops are designed to transfer knowledge in a context close to that in which it will eventually be used, thus enhancing its retention. In this format, audience size will be limited and the teaching methods will be designed to maximize active audience involvement. ‘Hands-on’ workshops have been a feature of the ESGAR meeting for several years now. This year’s topics are sonography and video-fluoroscopy.

As at ESGAR 2007, there will be daily workstation-based workshops on CT Colonography and MR of rectal cancer.

CTC: WS 6, WS 16, WS 26
Other: WS 8, WS 18, WS 28
MR.Ca: WS 9, WS 19, WS 29

ASK THE EXPERTS
This new interactive programme option, presented for the first time at ESGAR 2007, gives participants the opportunity to clarify specific educational points on selected topics linked to the Postgraduate Course content. The ESGAR 2007 workshop topics will be MR imaging of the liver, pancreas and bile ducts; the workshop content will be directly driven by the participants. (WS 15, WS 25)

All registrants are kindly invited to submit questions relevant to these topics and based on technical/clinical problems they have experienced in their day-to-day practice. The material (including any submitted images) will be sent to an expert for in-depth analysis. The questions will then be discussed in detail (anonymously if you wish) during the workshops. Questions and images may be submitted up to 3 weeks before the meeting. Questions may be submitted via registration up to 24 hours before the workshop. Detailed instructions on how to submit questions and images can be found on the ESGAR website (http://www.esgar.org).

EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICE (EBP)
This course of three integrated workshops (WS 10, WS 20, WS 30) uses “problem-based” and “interactive” learning techniques to improve understanding of effective strategies for adult learning and to teach registrants how to identify robust answers to important questions arising in their departments. Topics include how to formulate a searchable question, design a literature search, explicitly appraise diagnostic and interventional studies and apply ‘evidence-based’ conclusions in practice. Each participant will be asked to identify an abdominal radiology problem from his/ her department that the tutors will help them address during the course and to attend all workshops. Printed, software and Internet-based resource materials will be provided. If you would like to attend this workshop series please email the ESGAR co-ordinator eschwarzinger@esgar.org.
WS 1 SMALL BOWEL IMAGING WITH CT AND MR: HOW WE DO IT
G. Rollandi, Genova/IT
N. Papanikolau, Iraklion/GR

WS 2 HEPATOCELLULAR CARCINOMA: IMAGING UPDATE
N. Elmas, Izmir/TR
C. Bru, Barcelona/ES

WS 3 FOR THE RESIDENT-ON-CALL: MDCT OF ACUTE ABDOMINAL CONDITIONS:
FROM TRAUMA TO ABDOMINAL PAIN***
D. Maglinte, Indianapolis, IN/US
M. Federle, Pittsburgh, PA/US

WS 4 ABDOMINAL ULTRASOUND: WHAT’S NEW IN 2007?
S. Yarmenitis, Iraklion/GR
L. Ros Mendoza, Zaragoza/ES

WS 5 ABDOMINAL HERNIAS
P. Ros, Boston, MA/US
S. Sukumar, Manchester/UK

WS 6 CT COLONOGRAPHY: INTERPRETING DIFFICULT CASES
E. Neri, Pisa/IT
D. Hock, Liège/BE

WS 7 STATE OF THE ART: US & CT-GUIDED ABDOMINAL INTERVENTION
O. Akhan, Ankara/TR
A. Hazidakis, Iraklion/GR

WS 8 ULTRASOUND IN ACUTE AND CHRONIC BILIARY DISEASE
W. Lees, London/UK
G. Karmazanovsky, Moscow/ RU

WS 9 INTERACTIVE WORKSHOP: MRI OF RECTAL CANCER (1)
This workshop will be repeated as WS 9, WS 19 and WS 29 on each day of the meeting.
J. Stoker, Amsterdam/NL
R. Beets-Tan, Maastricht/NL

WS 10 EBP (EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICE I). OVERVIEW.
ASKING QUESTIONS AND SEARCHING THE LITERATURE.
This is a workshop series. Participants are pre-registered and attend all three workshops
(WS 10, WS 20 and WS 30).
M. Staunton, Hamilton, ON/CA
L. Crocetti, Pisa/IT
WS 11  CT COLONOGRAPHY: UPDATE ON TECHNIQUE AND APPLICATIONS  
P. Rogalla, Berlin/DE  
D. Regge, Candiolo/IT

WS 12  BILIARY TRACT IMAGING: MALIGNANT DISEASE  
D. Akata, Ankara/TR  
H.J. Brambs, Ulm/DE

WS 13  FROM THE EUROPEAN RADIOLOGY CURRICULUM: SECTION 2.4 SMALL BOWEL***  
V. Valek, Brno-Bohunice/CZ  
W. Umschaden, Wolfsberg/AT

WS 14  ACUTE ABDOMINAL CONDITIONS IN CHILDREN  
D. Stringer, Singapore/SG  
F. Avni, Brussels/BE

WS 15  ASK THE EXPERT: LIVER IMAGING  
C. Zech, Munich/DE  
R. Hammerstingl, Frankfurt/DE

WS 16  CT COLONOGRAPHY: INTERPRETING DIFFICULT CASES  
A. Graser, Munich/DE  
A. Slater, Oxford/UK

WS 17  ABDOMINAL FLUID COLLECTIONS: DIAGNOSIS AND INTERVENTION  
P. Prassopolous, Alexandroupolis/GR  
M. Maher, Wilton, Cork/IE

WS 18  SWALLOWING ASSESSMENTS  
A. Wuttge-Hannig, Munich/DE; C. Hannig, Munich/DE  
O. Ekberg, Malmö/SE

WS 19  INTERACTIVE WORKSHOP: MRI OF RECTAL CANCER (2)  
This workshop will be repeated as WS 9, WS 19 and WS 29 on each day of the meeting.  
J. Stoker, Amsterdam/NL  
R. Beets-Tan, Maastricht/NL

WS 20  EBP (EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICE II). CRITICAL APPRAISAL OF DIAGNOSTIC IMAGING LITERATURE.  
This is a workshop series. Participants are pre-registered and attend all three workshops (WS 10, WS 20 and WS 30).  
D.E. Malone, Dublin/IE  
S. Taylor, London/UK
FRIDAY, JUNE 15

WS 21  STAGING OESOPHAGEAL AND GASTRIC CARCINOMA
W. Schima, Vienna/AT
A. Roberts, Cardiff/UK

WS 22  CYSTIC LESIONS OF THE PANCREAS
H. Mori, Ota/JP
G. D’Ippolito, São Paulo/BR

WS 23  FROM THE EUROPEAN RADILOGY CURRICULUM: SECTION 2.9 BILIARY TRACT ***
R. Frost, Salisbury/UK
J. Lameris, Amsterdam/NL

WS 24  OPTIMISING MRI AND CT TECHNIQUES FOR LIVER IMAGING
L. Grazioli, Brescia/IT
A. Palko, Szeged/HU

WS 25  ASK THE EXPERT: MRI OF THE BILE DUCTS AND PANCREAS
C. Matos, Brussels/BE
P. Boraschi, Pisa/IT

WS 26  CT COLONOGRAPHY: INTERPRETING DIFFICULT CASES
D. Burling, Harrow/UK
M. Cadi, Paris/FR

WS 27  LIVER TRANSPLANT COMPLICATIONS: DIAGNOSIS AND TREATMENT
J. Karani, London/UK
M-P. Vuillerm, Clichy/FR

WS 28  ULTRASOUND: BOWEL IMAGING AND PITFALLS
J. Puylaert, The Hague/BE
Z. Tarjan, Budapest/HU

WS 29  INTERACTIVE WORKSHOP: MRI OF RECTAL CANCER (3)
This workshop will be repeated as WS 9, WS 19 and WS 29 on each day of the meeting.
J. Stoker, Amsterdam/NL
R. Beets-Tan, Maastricht/NL

WS 30  EBP (EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICE III). APPLICATIONS OF FINDINGS. CAVEATS. FEEDBACK
This is a workshop series. Participants are pre-registered and attend all three workshops (WS 10, WS 20 and WS 30).
D.E. Malone, Dublin/IE
M. Staunton, Hamilton, ON/CA
LUNCH SYMPOSIA

TUESDAY, JUNE 12, 2007

SCHERING
Come! See! Diagnose! – Interactive Liver Diagnosis

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13, 2007

MEDICSIGHT
CAD for CT Colonography: Ready for prime time?

GE Healthcare
Innovations in Oncology

THURSDAY, JUNE 14, 2007

E-Z-EM
Establishing New Imaging Standards

GUERBET
Specific and non-specific contrast media for liver assessment

FRIDAY, JUNE 15, 2007

BRACCO
Advances in Abdominal Imaging: the key role of contrast modalities
To register for ESGAR 2007, please use the online registration form on the ESGAR website www.esgar.org

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REGISTRATION FEES

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PLEASE NOTE

All prices are listed in Euro (€).
The early registration fees are only applicable if the registration AND full payment is received by the central ESGAR office by March 20, 2007. The “Member registration fee” is only applicable for members in good standing.  
* Residents and radiographers must send or fax a letter from their head of department confirming their status as a resident or radiographer within 7 days of completed on-line registration. In case this confirmation is not received, the registration fee will be automatically adjusted to a regular fee. Please note that registration fees transferred to the congress account later than May 15, 2007 might not be considered as they probably will not be received in time. Only registrations accompanied by full payment can be considered complete.

PAYMENT OF REGISTRATION FEES:

All payments have to be made in EURO (€) either by credit card: We accept VISA, Mastercard, Diners Club and American Express. For payment please use the online registration system.

By bank transfer made in Euro (€) to the “ESGAR 2007” account at “Die Erste Bank”, Grinzinger Allee 1, AT – 1190 Vienna, Austria, IBAN AT922011128133846207, SWIFT: GIBAATWW.

Please make sure to clearly state the name of the registered person on the bank transfer in order to ensure identification of the payment. All bank charges have to be paid by the orderer. Please do not forget to add the incoming bank charges.

CANCELLATION POLICY

– In case of cancellation before May 25, 2007 your registration fee less an administration fee of Euro (€) 50.00 will be refunded. All refunds will be made after the meeting.
– In case of cancellation after May 25, 2007 no refund of your registration fee can be made.
– All cancellations have to be made in writing (e-mail, fax, letter) to the central ESGAR office and confirmed.

Deadline for advance registration is May 25, 2007.

After this date, registrations can be made directly on-site during the opening hours of the registration desk. The registration desk at the Conference venue (Belem Cultural Centre will be open at the following times:

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CONFIRMATION OF REGISTRATION AND PAYMENT

Upon completion of your on-line registration your confirmation can be downloaded and printed from the Registration Service Area on the ESGAR website. As soon as payment is credited to our account your confirmation of payment will be generated automatically and is available in the same area. Please allow two – three weeks for credit card payments to be processed.

CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE

The certificate of Attendance will be available on-line in the Registration Service Area immediately after the congress.

GROUP REGISTRATIONS

For companies or travel agents wishing to make registrations for a group of participants a group registration tool is available in the registration area.
During the ESGAR 2007 Opening Ceremony the COIMBRA UNIVERSITY ALUMNI CHOIR will perform. Composed by former students of Coimbra University, this male choir gave its first concert in December 1980, for the commemorations of the first centenary of the Orpheon of Coimbra University, from which the present choir takes its institutional roots.

The main aim of its creation was, in a path open to new and stimulating challenges in field of music, as well as in others of undeniable humanistic scope, to revive the ideals of fraternity, tolerance and solidarity, which, throughout the generations, have been the hallmarks of Coimbra Academia. It has performed over six hundred concerts and presentations, both in Portugal and abroad. It has sung in numerous countries: in Europe, in North and South America, in Africa and in the East, as well as at the Seats of International Organizations, namely the European Parliament, the European Community Court of Justice, the European Commission, UNESCO and the United Nations.

A high level of professional standards, an unmistakable sonority and the warm and friendly presence of the group make it a widely recognised flagship of Portuguese Culture. Virgílio Caseiro conducts the Coimbra University Alumni Choir since 2003.

Following the Opening Ceremony and the concert the ESGAR Welcome Reception will take place in the courtyard area of the Conference Centre, the Cultural Centre of Belém. A good time to catch up with colleagues and friends while enjoying some drinks and light appetizers.

Free for registered participants and registered accompanying persons.

This evening is kindly sponsored in part by industry.
ESGAR EVENING
20:00 – 23:00

The ESGAR Evening 2007, according to the tradition, is dedicated to the local culture and lifestyle of the hosting country. The evening will take place at the Castelo de S. Jorge, the medieval castle that dominates the city and which is located at one of the highest hills in Lisbon. Although some kind of military fortress existed here since 2 BC, it was with King Afonso Henriques in the 12th century that the main fortress was retaken to the Moors becoming since then one of the hallmarks of the city and a strategic defence point until the 16th century.

In its main square (Praça de Armas) you can enjoy yourselves with an astonishing view over the city of Lisbon. We hope to share the magic and history of the place with all our ESGAR friends providing this memorable evening. In the main square, a traditional popular Portuguese party will be held where you will enjoy typical Portuguese food (not forgetting cabbage soup and grilled sardines), listen to Fado music, and watch a traditional parade in honour of the popular saints, since Lisbon celebrates the day of St. Anthony, the matchmaker, from June 12 – 13. Together with other popular entertainments that render Lisbon’s festivities unique, we will try to make this event an unforgettable moment of leisure and friendship in the history of ESGAR.

Price per ticket: € 35.00

This evening is supported in part by industry.

Please make your booking together with your on-line registration in order to secure your place.
LISBON / GENERAL INFORMATION

Lisbon (Portuguese: Lisboa) is the capital and largest city of Portugal and it is the westernmost capital in mainland Europe. It is located in the west of the country, on the Atlantic Ocean coast at the point where the river Tagus flows into the Atlantic Ocean. The city occupies an area of 84.6 km². Lisbon has a population of 564,477 (2001), and the Lisbon Metropolitan Area has around 2,700,000 inhabitants (2005). The population density of the city itself is 6,658 inhabitants per km². Lisbon Metropolitan Area is one of the fastest growing metropolitan areas in Europe.

The historic centre of Lisbon is built on seven hills, making some of the city’s streets too steep for motor vehicles; the city is served by three funicular services and one elevator. The western side of the city is mainly occupied by the Monsanto Forest Park, one of the largest urban parks in Europe with an area close to 10 square kilometres (almost 4 square miles).

The heart of the city is the Baixa or city centre; this area of the city is being considered for UNESCO World Heritage Site status. The Baixa is organised in a grid system and a network of squares built after the 1755 Lisbon earthquake, which levelled a big part of the medieval town. The Castle of São Jorge and the Lisbon Cathedral are located on one of the seven hills of Lisbon, to the east of the Baixa. The oldest district of the city is Alfama, close to the Tagus, which has made it relatively unscathed through the various earthquakes.

The city is connected to the far side of the Tagus by two important bridges: The “25 de Abril”-Bridge, inaugurated (as Ponte Salazar) on August 6, 1966, and later renamed after the date of the Carnation Revolution, was the longest suspension bridge in Europe and although made by the same engineers as the Golden Gate Bridge in San Francisco, it is not, as thought by some, a replica (the Golden Gate Bridge does not have X braces). The “Vasco da Gama”-Bridge, inaugurated in May 1998 is, at 17.2 km, the longest bridge in Europe.

ARRIVAL AT LISBON AIRPORT

The Lisbon Airport (www.ana-aeroportos.pt) is located 7 km north of the city (travel time: 35 minutes). The airport is the main international gateway to Portugal and a major European hub. It is one of the largest airports in Southern Europe.

To/from the airport:
Carris buses run from the airport to the city and the main railway stations. A special ‘Aerobus’ departs to the city centre every 20 minutes from 07:45 to 20:15. There is an airport shuttle bus that departs daily to Estoril and Cascais, every hour from 07:00 to 22:30, and an Express bus runs to many destinations around the country.

Taxis:
Taxi services to the city are available. The cost for a taxi ride from the airport to the city centre is about: €15.00 – €20.00. There is no extra charge for taxis leaving from the airport except at weekends and on holidays, where there is a 20% surcharge after 22:00. Participants are advised to always ask for a receipt and how much it costs before entering the taxi. It is possible to buy a pre-paid taxi voucher in the tourism office in the arrivals area which is safer and participants avoid facing overcharges in the taxi.

Facilities at the airport:
Bureau de change, banks, tourist information, post office, duty free shops, showers and car hire.

BANKING HOURS
Generally, Monday through Friday, 08:30 – 15:00 (certain banks in Lisbon are open until 18:00).

CURRENCY INFORMATION
The Euro is the official currency of Portugal.
CONFERENCE VENUE
The congress centre is the “Centro Cultural de Belém”, and is located outside the city centre in the quarter “Belém” in the west of Lisbon, next to the River Tagus. The centre is NOT connected to the metro. Means of reaching the congress centre from the city centre are by taxi or if there is no time pressure, by TRAM or Bus.

ESGAR has organised a bus transportation service which is booked together with hotel accommodation. This service brings participants from the congress hotels to the congress centre at a set time in the morning and returns once in the evening, at the end of the day.

CONFERENCE LANGUAGE
The meeting will be held in English. There is no simultaneous translation

ELECTRICITY
220 volts AC, 50Hz. Continental two-pin plugs are in use.

EMERGENCY TELEPHONE NUMBERS
Ambulance, Emergency, Fire Dept. and Police: 112

INTERNET
A wireless LAN is available within the Congress Centre against payment. In addition, several computer workstations with access to the Internet will be provided free of charge for participants of ESGAR 2007 in the Internet area of the congress centre.

LIABILITY
ESGAR is not liable for personal injury and loss of or damage to private property. Participants and their accompanying persons should have the respective personal travel insurance.

TRANSPORTATION
An extensive network of 90 bus routes covers the entire city and outskirts. One of the quickest ways to travel in Lisboa is by Metro. It covers almost the whole city and next to most hotels you will find a metro station. You cannot speak about public transportation in Lisboa without mentioning the Tram, a traditional public transport in Lisbon. Originally introduced in the 19th century, the trams were originally imported from the U.S. and called americanos. The original trams can still be seen in the Museu da Carris (the Public Transport Museum) (Carris). Having lost the importance of old times, it keeps the same fascination and goes on being a symbol of the city.

Taxis:
A very convenient and affordable way of travelling within Lisbon is by Taxi. The cost for a ride from the city centre to the conference venue is about € 5.00 – € 7.00.

Buses to and from the congress centre:
ESGAR has organised a bus transportation service which is booked together with hotel accommodation. This service brings participants from the congress hotels to the congress centre once, at a set time in the morning and returns once in the evening, at the end of the day.

PASSPORTS
Passports valid for at least three months beyond length of stay required by all except: European Union nationals + Iceland, Liechtenstein, Norway.

Note: EU nationals are only required to produce evidence of their EU nationality and identity in order to be admitted to any EU Member State. This evidence can take the form of a valid national passport or national identity card. Either is acceptable.

TIME
GMT time.

WEATHER
Lisbon is one of the warmest European capitals. Spring and summer months are usually sunny with maximum temperatures close to 35°C in summer. Due to the influence of the Atlantic Ocean, Lisboa has a pleasant climate throughout the year. The agreeable temperatures in the summer months are an open invitation for a walk by the river.
Viagens Abreu, S.A. has been appointed as the official travel agent for ESGAR 2007 and will handle all hotel accommodation booking requests and offers various sightseeing tours and pre-and post congress tours. The agent has reserved rooms in 5, 4 and 3 star hotels in Lisbon for the participants of ESGAR 2007. Please make your reservations as soon as possible in order to secure your accommodation since June is high season in Lisbon and the number of hotel rooms is limited. All requests will be handled on a first come first served basis. The deadline for hotel reservation is March 31, 2007.

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A hotel and tours booking form is available on the ESGAR website www.esgar.org
A city map, showing the location of the hotels is also available on the ESGAR website.

PAYMENT MODALITIES
- All requests must be accompanied by a 50% deposit in order to be able to confirm your reservation.
- Full payment has to be received by April 12th, 2007.
- Should the requested hotel be unavailable, Viagens Abreu will make the reservation in the 2nd choice hotel.
- Requests by telephone will not be considered. Changes to any booking must be sent in writing (email, fax, letter).
- Payment can be made by either credit card (Visa, Mastercard, and American Express) or by bank transfer to:
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CANCELLATION POLICY
- For cancellations received until March 1st, 2007: 100% refund less € 20.00 fee.
- For cancellations received from March 2nd to April 11th, 2007: 50% refund less € 20.00 fee.
- For cancellations received after April 12th, 2007: No refund can be made.

LIST OF HOTELS

Hotel (5*****)

1) Hotel Altis € 146.00 € 161.00
2) Hotel Dom Pedro Palace € 186.00 € 211.00
3) Hotel Le Meridien Park € 200.00 € 231.00
4) Hotel Tivoli Lisboa € 206.00 € 226.00
5) Hotel Pestana Palace € 244.00 € 264.00

Hotel (4****)

6) Hotel Dom Manuel I € 88.50 € 99.50
7) Hotel Villa Rica € 95.00 € 105.00
8) Hotel Holiday Inn € 96.00 € 106.00
9) Hotel AC Lisboa € 111.50 € 119.50
10) Hotel Fenix Lisboa € 124.00 € 135.00
11) Hotel Marquês de Pombal € 130.00 € 142.00
12) Hotel Lisboa Plaza € 166.00 € 184.00
13) Hotel NH Liberdade € 166.00 € 179.00
14) Hotel Tivoli Jardim € 166.00 € 181.00
15) Hotel Sofitel € 170.00 € 188.00
16) Hotel Jerónimos 8 € 186.00 € 205.00

Hotel (3***)

17) Hotel Comfort Embaixador € 61.00 € 72.00
18) Hotel Comfort Principe € 72.00 € 86.00
19) Hotel Sana Rex € 76.00 € 86.00
20) Hotel Miraparque € 77.50 € 84.10
21) Hotel Best Western E.VII € 88.50 € 88.50

The prices listed above are per night, per room and include breakfast, taxes and VAT. Room rates also include bus transportation to the Conference Centre once in the morning, and back to the hotel once at the end of the day.

A hotel description is available on the following pages. The number of the hotel corresponds to the number on the city map which is available on the ESGAR website.
1) HOTEL ALTIS (5*****)
Located in the city centre, the hotel offers spectacular views over Lisbon and surrounding areas. Rooms: Its 303 rooms and suites overlooking the city are fully air-conditioned and equipped with direct dial phone, safe deposits and satellite TV with 17 channels.
Facilities: The hotel facilities include 24-hour room service, laundry service, secretarial service, rent-a-car and shopping gallery. A covered and heated swimming pool, fully equipped health centre, sauna, Turkish bath, and gymnasiun.
Address: Rua Castilho, 11
Prices per room per night
Single room € 146.00
Double room € 161.00

2) HOTEL DOM PEDRO PALACE (5*****)
Located on the summit of one of Lisbon's famous seven hills, the hotel is in the “hub” of activity in the heart of Lisbon, 20 minutes from the airport and 10 minutes from the city's historic downtown, night life and the docks area. Rooms: The Hotel Dom Pedro Lisboa has 263 luxurious decorated guestrooms and suites with stunning views of the city and the Tagus River.
Facilities: Guests may browse in the shopping gallery at one of the brand name boutiques located in the hotel lobby. A fully equipped business centre is available.
Address: Avenida Eng. Duarte Pacheco, 24
Prices per room per night
Single room € 186.00
Double room € 211.00

3) HOTEL LE MERIDIEN PARK ATLANTIC (5*****)
The hotel faces one of the city's most famous parks, Parque Eduardo VII. Its quality and prestige are reflected in all the totally renovated rooms. Rooms: Rooms with satellite TV, telephone and A/C. Facilities: Bar, restaurant and sauna.
Address: Rua Castilho, 149
Prices per room per night
Single room € 200.00
Double room € 231.00

4) HOTEL TIVOLI LISBOA (5*****)
The Hotel Tivoli Lisboa is one of the capital's leading hotels. Situated on the main avenue, it offers all the facilities of a first-class hotel with a high degree of service and individual attention. The Tivoli Club located in the hotel garden has a heated swimming pool and a bar serving light meals. Rooms: Soundproof rooms with satellite TV, telephone and A/C. Facilities: Bar, restaurant, heated exterior swimming pool, health club and garage.
Address: Avenida da Liberdade, 185
Prices per room per night
Single room € 206.00
Double room € 226.00

5) HOTEL PESTANA PALACE (5*****)
The hotel is a stylish 19th century building, former residence of counts and marquises now reborn after a long and careful renovation. Classified as a national monument and located just 10 km from Lisbon International Airport, the hotel has an unparalleled view over the River Tagus. Rooms: 373 rooms and suites with private bath, shower, balcony, radio, satellite TV, phone, A/C and mini-bar; most of them with sea view.
Facilities: 3 Restaurants, Coffee-shop, Bars. 2 Tennis courts, heated pool surrounded by gardens, snooker room, table tennis, sauna, gymnasiun, solarium.
Address: Rua Jau, 54
Prices per room per night
Single room € 244.00
Double room € 264.00

6) HOTEL DOM MANUEL I (4****)
Conveniently located near Lisbon’s new banking and business district, and with quick and easy access to the city’s main downtown shopping areas, the hotel offers both the tourist and business traveller box. Rooms: 64 comfortable rooms, each fully equipped with A/C, telephone, cable TV, radio channels and safe-deposit. Facilities: Restaurant, bar
Address: Avenida Duque de Avila, 189
Prices per room per night
Single room € 88.50
Double room € 99.50

7) HOTEL VILLA RICA (4****)
The hotel introduces a new concept in Lisbon’s four-star hotels. Located close to the metro and various other modes of public transport, guests have fast and easy access to all parts of the city. Rooms: The hotel offers 171 rooms fully equipped with satellite TV, direct-dial telephone, work-desk with laptop connections, free internet, safe-deposit box and mini-bar. Facilities: 3 restaurants, piano-bar, health club with interior pool, meeting rooms and garage.
Address: Avenida 5 de Outubro, 301-319
Prices per room per night
Single room € 95.00
Double room € 105.00

8) HOTEL HOLIDAY INN CONTINENTAL (4****)
The hotel is located just 15 minutes from Lisbon International Airport and a short walk from Campo Pequeno metro station. Rooms: All rooms (including various executive and non-smoking rooms) are fully equipped with cable TV, video channels, high speed internet, mini-bar and trouser press. Facilities: restaurants and meeting rooms.
Address: Rua Laura Alves, 9
Prices per room per night
Single room € 96.00
Double room € 106.00
9) HOTEL AC LISBOA (4****)
The Hotel AC Lisboa is a newly-built four-star hotel located in the
city centre. Rooms: it offers 83 ultra-modern rooms, each with
A/C, heating, direct-dial telephone, cable TV, complimentary
mini-bar and Internet access. Facilities: Restaurant, laundry,
fitness centre and meeting rooms with business facilities.
Address: Largo de Andaluz, 13 B

Prices per room per night
Single room € 111.50
Double room € 119.50

10) HOTEL FENIX LISBOA (4****)
Recently extended and renovated, the hotel is located in the
noble Praça Marquês de Pombal, the focal point for the most
important things happening in the city in terms of leisure,
business, culture and shopping. Its new décor, dominated by
Portuguese marble and oak, creates a timeless, welcoming
atmosphere. Rooms: Sound-proof rooms, with satellite TV,
Address: Praça Marquês de Pombal, 8

Prices per room per night
Single room € 124.00
Double room € 135.00

11) HOTEL MARQUÊS DE POMBAL (4****)
The hotel is located in the most prestigious quarter of central
Lisbon: Avenida da Liberdade. Rooms: All 123 rooms and
3 elegant suites overlooking downtown Lisbon, provide full
bathrooms with hairdryer and telephone, A/C, full sound
proofing, satellite TV with video channels, 2 direct dial phones
with voice mail and modern socket, CD player, individual safe
box and mini bar. Facilities: 24 hour room service. Sauna,
steam bath, gymnasium, private garage and a joining shopping
arcade.
Address: Avenida da Liberdade, 243

Prices per room per night
Single room € 130.00
Double room € 142.00

12) HOTEL LISBOA PLAZA (4****)
The Hotel Lisboa Plaza is a unique space for several reasons,
including the beauty of its decor, the attention that is paid to the
smallest of details and its location right next to the Avenida da
Liberdade, right in the historic heart of Lisbon. Rooms: Rooms
with satellite TV, telephone, A/C and hair
dryer. Facilities: Bar, swimming pool and tennis court.
Address: Travessa do Salitre, 7

Prices per room per night
Single room € 166.00
Double room € 181.00

13) HOTEL NH LIBERDADE (4****)
Located on the Avenida da Liberdade
Rooms: This modern hotel offers 83 rooms, each fully
equipped with mini-bar, A/C, direct-dial telephone, satellite TV
and hairdryer. Facilities: Restaurant, bar and swimming-pool.
Address: Avenida da Liberdade, 180 B

Prices per room per night
Single room € 166.00
Double room € 179.00

14) HOTEL TIVOLI JARDIM (4****)
A comfortable and classically-styled hotel: Tivoli Jardim is
located in a quiet location just off Avenida da Liberdade, in
the heart of the city's main business and shopping district.
Rooms: Rooms with satellite TV, telephone, A/C and hair
dery. Facilities: Bar, swimming pool and tennis court.
Address: Rua Júlio César Machado, 9

Prices per room per night
Single room € 166.00
Double room € 181.00

15) HOTEL SOFITEL (4****)
Situated in the heart of Lisbon, the hotel is located on the
prestigious Avenida da Liberdade. Contemporary and modern
design. Rooms: 170 rooms and 5 suites with panoramic
view. Rooms equipped with A/C, satellite TV, Pay TV, internet
connection (WIFI, ADSL), mini-bar, 2 telephones with voice
mail, radio, Safe box, bathrobe, and hairdryer. All rooms are
completely soundproofed and luxury furnished: Facilities:
Restaurant, 24 hour room service, laundry, dry cleaning, ticket
booking, car rental and parking.
Address: Avenida da Liberdade, 127

Prices per room per night
Single room € 170.00
Double room € 188.00

16) HOTEL JERÓNIMOS 8 (4****)
This Hotel is a modern, fully renovated property designed to
the Alexandre de Almeida Hotels group's highest standards.
Located adjacent to the imposing Jerónimos Monastery and
Belém's magnificent gardens and beside the Tagus Estuary
in the heart of the city's historical quarter, just 5 minutes walk
from Centro Cultural de Belém. Rooms: Rooms with A/C,
direct-dial telephone and satellite TV. Facilities: Restaurant,
bar and individual safe-deposit boxes at reception.
Address: Rua dos Jerónimos, 8

Prices per room per night
Single room € 186.00
Double room € 205.00
17) HOTEL COMFORT EMBAIADOR (3***)
It is located in the heart of the city centre, close to Marquês de Pombal square. Rooms: The hotel offers 96 rooms, each fully equipped with A/C, mini-bar, cable TV, radio, safe-deposit box, direct-dial telephone and hair-dryer. Facilities: Facilities include Wi-Fi access, a piano bar, panoramic restaurant and garage.
Address: Avenida Duque de Loulé, 73

Prices per room per night
Single room € 61.00
Double room € 72.00

18) HOTEL COMFORT PRINCIPE (3***)
Located in the city centre, the hotel provides all the commodities of a modern equipped hotel. Rooms: All rooms equipped with A/C, satellite TV, radio, direct dial telephone, safe and hair-dryer, some rooms with balcony. Facilities: Bar, Restaurant, private car park.
Address: Avenida Duque de Ávila, 201

Prices per room per night
Single room € 72.00
Double room € 86.00

19) HOTEL SANA REX (3***)
Located in the city centre with a spectacular view of the Park Eduardo VII. Rooms: The hotel features 68 guest rooms all equipped with cable TV, internet connection, in-room safe, mini-bar, direct dial telephone and private bathroom with hairdryer, A/C. Facilities: Restaurant, bar.
Address: Rua Castilho, 169

Prices per room per night
Single room € 76.00
Double room € 86.00

20) HOTEL MIRAPARQUE (3***)
Completely renovated, the hotel offers to those visiting Lisbon a central and quiet location overlooking Eduardo VII Park. Rooms: Hair-dryer, have A/C, mini-bar, safe-deposit box, cable TV, radio and direct-dial telephone. Facilities: Restaurant and Bar
Address: Avenida Sidônio Pais, 12

Prices per room per night
Single room € 77.50
Double room € 84.10

21) HOTEL BEST WESTERN EDUARDO VII (3***)
Excellent for both business and leisure and just a few steps from Marquês de Pombal Square, this is a very comfortable and centrally-located hotel. Rooms: Each of our 140 harmoniously styled hotel rooms is completely equipped with bath/shower, A/C, cable TV, high speed Internet access, direct dial phone, mini-bar, safe and sound-proof windows. Facilities: The hotel's award-winning “Varanda Restaurant” is a must among Lisbon's rich gastronomy. “Lanterna Bar”, 24 hours Reception and Concierge, Safe deposit boxes, Guest laundry, Dry cleaning service, Private Garage and Valet Parking, Luggage handling service.
Address: Avenida Fontes Pereira de Melo, 5

Prices per room per night
Single room € 88.50
Double room € 88.50
Viagens Abreu has made a selection of half & full day tours in Lisbon and proposes some of the most famous and interesting destinations in Portugal for pre- and post congress tours. Tours can be booked via the on-line Hotel Accommodation & Tours Form on the ESGAR website www.esgar.org.

All tours depart from the Conference Venue, the Cultural Centre of Belém unless otherwise communicated. The tours are exclusively organised for ESGAR 2007 participants or accompanying persons with English speaking tour guides. The minimum number of participants is 25 per tour. In case the minimum number of participants will not be reached, Viagens Abreu will offer alternative tours.

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13, 2007**

**Visit to Old Lisbon**
09:00 – half day / € 15.40 per person

Visit to the historic Lisbon's borough of Belém and to the Jeronimos Monastery, built in the year of 1502 and the finest example of the Gothic-Naturalist (the ambient decoration named “Manueline”). The splendid church with chapels and the main-altar in Gothic-Renaissance style will be visited. The tour continues with a drive along the left bank of Tagus River, stopping by the Tower of Belém, a 16th Century fortress, and by the Monument to the Discoveries. During this tour you will also visit the St. Jorge Castle, an 8th Century fortress from where you have a magnificent view over the old boroughs and the River Tagus. A short walk through the winding streets of the medieval borough of Alfama offers the picturesque flavour of an old popular residential area and a unique sight of narrow streets, friendly residents and 16th Century buildings.

**Visit to Óbidos, Nazaré, Batalha, Fátima**
09:00 – full day / € 75.35 per person
Including lunch

Departure to Óbidos, one of the most charming Portuguese villages, completely enclosed within the ramparts of the Medieval Castle.

Walk through Óbidos by entering through the 18th Century arch covered in glazed tiles (azulejos), passing bright white small houses along cobblestone narrow streets, flower pots on window-sills, Gothic and Renaissance churches. Especially the beautiful Church of Santa Maria reminds of the importance of Óbidos past. Local artisans and craftsmen still using the old techniques show their wares in the small shops along the streets.

Continuation of the tour to Nazaré, the most famous fishing town in Portugal. Among the bright coloured rowing-boats moored on the beach bathed by the Atlantic Ocean, one may watch the fisher folk bring in the nets. A superb view is enjoyed from the “Sítio”, a belvedere on top of the hill while in the streets you may observe women still wearing the traditional 7 skirted costumes.

Lunch will be served at a local restaurant.

The tour will proceed to Batalha for a visit to the superb Monastery of Santa Maria da Victória celebrating the victory against the Castillians in 1386 in the Battle of Aljubarrota. This monument built in 1388 is the most beautiful example of the Portuguese Gothic architecture, later in 1509 were added the Unfinished Chapels and Cloisters in “Manueline” and in 1563 the Renaissance Chapels and Cloisters.

Departure to Fátima, the well known Roman Catholic Marian Shrine. Visit the Basilica and the Chapel of Apparitions that marks the spot where the 3 shepherd children had the visions in 1917.

There will be time at leisure for individual activities. Return to Lisbon by the auto-route that crosses the provinces of Ribatejo and Estremadura.

**Fado and Folclore Night**
20:00 / € 45.90 per person
Including dinner

Departure to a typical tavern located in an old borough of Lisbon for a full course Portuguese dinner.

While dinner is being served, guests will enjoy the traditional Lisbon song: the Fado, which may be a love lament or may describe the beauties of the city and her “eternal lover” the River Tagus.

The singer may be male or female and is always accompanied by two guitar players, being one a 12 strings Portuguese guitar.

A group will also perform the lively Portuguese folklore dances wearing the traditional costumes. These heavily embroidered and bright coloured costumes are still worn in the country on festive days.

This tour will offer the possibility of enjoying the gastronomy and wines of Portugal as well as its folklore traditions.

No recommended attire.
THURSDAY, JUNE 14, 2007

Old Lisbon with Tram Ride
09:00 – half day / € 40.85 per person
Including typical tram ride

Departure to the historic Lisbon’s borough of Belém, and visit to the Jeronimos Monastery, built in the year of 1502 and the finest example of the Gothic-Naturalist (the ambient decoration named “Manueline”). The splendid church with chapels and the main-altar in Gothic-Renaissance style will be visited. Then drive along the left bank of Tagus River, stopping by the Tower of Belém, a 16th Century fortress, and by the Monument to the Discoveries.

The tour will continue to Praça do Comércio in the city centre, where the participants will enjoy a ride in a Portuguese typical Tram. A “Welcome Port” will be served to all guests before entering the Tram.

A short walk through the winding streets of the medieval borough of Alfama offers the picturesque flavour of an old popular residential area and a unique sight of narrow streets, friendly residents and 16th Century buildings.

Visit to Old Lisbon – Including Yacht tour
14:00 – half day / € 45.75 per person

Departure to the historic Lisbon’s borough of Belém, and visit to the Jeronimos Monastery, built in the year of 1502 and the finest example of the Gothic-Naturalist (the ambient decoration named “Manueline”). The splendid church with chapels and the main-altar in Gothic-Renaissance style will be visited.

Then drive along the left bank of Tagus River, stopping by the Tower of Belém, a 16th Century fortress, and by the Monument to the Discoveries.

Continuation to Doca de Alcântara where the participants will enjoy a 2 hours sailing tour in a deluxe yacht. During this tour it will be served a small brunch or cocktail.

FRIDAY, JUNE 15, 2007

Visit to Sintra, Cabo da Roca, Cascais
09:00 – full day / € 42.40 per person
Including Lunch

Departure to Sintra, a small delightful town in the forest covered Mountain of Sintra, immortalized as “Glorious Eden” by the World famous poet Lord Byron.

Located about 30 kilometres northwest of Lisbon, there will be a visit to the Royal Palace of Sintra, a fabulous royal residence of many Portuguese Kings, with wings and halls dating from the 13/14th Centuries.

Sintra is excellent for shopping souvenirs and handicraft, and there will be time at leisure.

Descending the mountain on to Cape Roca, the Western-most point of continental Europe, a stop will be made by the cliffs over the Atlantic Ocean. Then following the coastline the tour will pass by Guincho Beach, Boca do Inferno (Hell’s Mouth) an ocean carved spectacle in rock.

Lunch will be served in a typical restaurant.

After lunch we continue to the old fishermen village of Cascais that in the 1940’s was chosen as residence by exiled European Royalty. A stop will be made by the lovely bay filled with fishing boats.
FUNCHAL, MADEIRA ISLAND
“ADMIRABLE OF NATURE”

Madeira is the pearl of the Atlantic and a floating tropical garden. With its unique scenery and marvellous climate, Madeira is the perfect place for a holiday at any time of the year, and especially before and after the ESGAR 2007!

Funchal, the capital is a picturesque port city with a tempting choice of restaurants along its seaside esplanades. An adventurous way to explore this wonderful island is on guided walk along the “Levadas”-man made irrigation channels which carry water from high in the mountains down through the many farms to the fields and villages lying below.

If you are feeling more active, you can enjoy golf, tennis and the chance to scuba dive around underwater caves and wrecks of sunken ships. A thrilling “Toboggan ride” will sweep you down the mountain from Monte to Funchal.

3 Days / 2 Nights
Travel from Lisbon by plane, 1 h 30 minutes. Car rental.

S. MIGUEL, AZORES ISLAND

A truly exceptional wealth of landscape associated with a peaceful atmosphere that is in contact with the everyday pressures– these are some of the attractive aspects of the Azores.

If to this we add the extraordinary potential of the Archipelago for golfing, yachting and fishing, we certainly have a very special destination to offer you before or after the ESGAR 2007.

Each of the nine islands of the Azores has its own enchantment, but they have certain things in common: their exuberant greenness in varied hues, brought out by an abundance of flowers; the cool takes nesting at the bottom of volcanic craters.

Life lived at a rate in which there is time to taste the joy of living simply and peacefully. Nature in all her splendour, encouraging one to discover a different world, which each of the islands of the Azores contains.

3 Days / 2 Nights
Travel from Lisbon by plane, 2 h 30 minutes. Car rental.

OPORTO, NORTH PORTUGAL

Possibly Portugal’s most fertile region, the Green Coast takes its name from its pervasive lush greenness.

At the hub of Green Coast there is Porto, Portugal’s second most important city, a busy, bustling centre of industrial and commercial activity, the bearer of a long and rich tradition, home of a hard-working, conservative fiercely independent people.

Not to be missed when visiting this fascinating city, the lively, Ribeira (Riverside) section, stretching along the Douro River with its quays, markets, shops and a cool cellars where Port Wine is aged.

Porto – in fact, the whole region – is also famous for its cuisine – marvellous cooking that has to be experienced to be believed.

3 Days / 2 Nights
Travel from Lisbon by rental car.

INFORMATION / PRICES

For further information on prices and on the possible tours listed as well as other destinations, please contact Abreu, Mr. Helder Carvalho (hcarvalho.lisboa@abreu.pt)

All Tours will be individualised. A more detailed description of the travel itineraries is available on the Hotel and Tours Booking Form on the ESGAR website.
ESGAR MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORIES

Active Members
Active membership of the Society is open to European Radiologists who have a prime interest in gastrointestinal and abdominal Radiology. By this it is assumed that they will spend at least 50% of their time working in the sub-speciality and will have published in this field.

Junior Membership
Residents can become junior members while training for specialisation in General Radiology and/or training for Sub-specialisation in (1) Gastrointestinal and Abdominal Radiology and/or (2) Interventional Radiology.

Application for Junior Membership must be accompanied by a confirmation about the residency status of the applicant, signed by the head of the department. Junior Membership is valid for three years at maximum or will end once the residency in radiology is terminated.

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Radiologists from outside Europe can be considered for corresponding membership and fellowship.

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Non-Radiologists with a special interest in gastrointestinal and abdominal Radiology such as radiographers, nurses and individual members of industry, etc. can be considered for associate membership.

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Corresponding Members and Fellows: € 110,00
Associate Members: € 55,00
Junior Members € 55,00

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Applications are received by the Chairman of the Membership Committee. Proposed candidates for membership are admitted by the Executive Committee and will be approved by the General Assembly.

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FUTURE ANNUAL MEETINGS

ESGAR 2008
19th Annual Meeting and Postgraduate Course
Istanbul, Turkey / June 10 - 13
Istanbul “Lüfti Kirdar” Convention & Exhibition Centre
Meeting President: O. Akhan, Ankara/TR

ESGAR 2009
20th Annual Meeting and Postgraduate Course
Valencia, Spain / June 23 – 26
Valencia Congress Centre
Meeting President: L. Marti-Bonmati, Valencia/ES

CT-COLONOGRAPHY WORKSHOPS 2007

6th ESGAR CT-Colonography Hands-on Workshop
January 25 – 27, 2007
Nice, France
Workshop Organiser:
F. Boudghene, Paris/FR and M. Cadi, Paris/FR

7th ESGAR CT-Colonography Hands-on Workshop
September 12 – 14, 2007
Malmö, Sweden
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