

Accommodation

The Congress Secretariat will guarantee room blocks in a selection of hotels in order to meet with the participants' needs of adequate accommodation.

Special reduced hotel rates have been negotiated by the Organising Committee at the Congress hotels and will be available on a first come, first serve basis through the Congress Secretariat.

Group bookings will have special conditions and assistance through the Congress Secretariat.

Detailed information on room reservations will be posted on the Congress website.

Social Programme

An informal reception will be provided to welcome Congress delegates on the first evening after registration opens.

Participants and accompanying persons will also be offered the opportunity to purchase tickets for the Congress Gala Dinner and the Optional Excursion Programme.

Detailed information on the Social Programme will be posted at the Congress website.

2nd Announcement

The 2nd announcement will be published in January 2011 and distributed electronically.



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12th WORLD STERILIZATION CONGRESS

7th NATIONAL SYMPOSIUM OF STERILIZATION

12 - 15 October 2011 | Estoril, Portugal



1st ANNOUNCEMENT

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Organization:



Message

The Portuguese Association of Sterilization will be delighted to welcome you to Portugal for the 12th World Congress of Sterilization to be held in 12 - 15 October 2011.

We sincerely hope that this will be an important time to share knowledge and experiences in order to contribute to the development of medical devices sterilization.

Luisa Nogueira
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General Congress Information

The 12th International Sterilization Congress and the 7th National Symposium of Sterilization will be held in Estoril from 12 - 15 October 2011.

The Estoril region is only 30 kilometres from Lisbon and includes important places like Cascais and Sintra.

Estoril is a Cosmopolitan beach resort, with palm lined avenues, the sumptuous villas of millionaires and kings, luxurious hotels, good restaurants, golf courses and the largest Casino in Europe. Sintra is one of the oldest and most beautiful towns in Portugal, with its fairy tale palaces, baroque follies and unique micro climate that has inspired many great writers and poets: Lord Byron called it a «glorious Eden».

For visitors' general information on the Estoril area please see the congress website (www.wfhss2011Portugal.com) or the official tourist office website www.visitestoril.com

Registration Information & Fees

The registration will open on January 2011 and early bookings will offer a reduced price compared with those nearer the Congress date.

Please visit the Congress website for further information on registration fees and general registration conditions.

Scientific Programme

The scientific programme of the Congress will consist of plenary and parallel sessions with oral presentations, a poster exhibition and workshops.

Special attention will be given to the following themes:

- . Washing, disinfection and sterilization of medical devices
- . Validation of equipment
- . Risk management in the central sterile supply department (CSSD)
- . Training of professionals

Updated information about the scientific programme can also be found on the Congress website.

Call for Abstracts

The 12th World Congress of Sterilization, welcomes the submission of abstracts for the 2011 Congress to be held in Estoril, Portugal, from 12 - 15 October 2011.

Accepted abstracts will form part of the scientific programme of oral and poster presentations.

Abstract submission online via the Congress website will open: **22 October 2010**

Deadline for online abstract submission: **31 December 2010**

Exhibition

The Organisers of the 12th International Sterilization Congress and the 7th National Symposium of Sterilization would like to invite you to participate in the Exhibition that will take place during the Congress.

The exhibition will complement and enrich the programme and reflect its wide scope, providing the participant with the opportunity to meet and network in a professional atmosphere.

Companies interested in participating are welcome to contact the Congress Secretariat or to visit the Congress website for more detailed information.

