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**DEADLINES**

Abstract submission deadline: 12 October 2016  
Early registration deadline: 26 October 2016  
Late registration deadline: 15 February 2017  
Desk registration as of 16 February 2017
INTRODUCTION

A LETTER OF WELCOME FROM THE CONFERENCE CHAIRPERSONS

The 6th International Conference on Innovative Approaches in Head and Neck Oncology (ICHNO) will be held from 16 to 18 March 2017 in Barcelona, Spain.

The European Society for Radiotherapy and Oncology (ESTRO), the European Head and Neck Society (EHNS) and the European Society of Medical Oncology (ESMO) have the pleasure to invite you to participate in this conference.

This biennial conference promises once again to provide a unique platform for the dissemination of the most relevant and cutting edge science and innovation in the field of head and neck oncology. This conference has been shaping up to be a major international event in promoting multidisciplinarity in head and neck oncology.

With major emphasis on head and neck, this meeting will specifically cover the main following topics:
- New insights in the epidemiology and prevention of cancer
- Oncogenesis, HPV related cancers, immunology and vaccination
- Updated results of practice changing randomised trials
- Multidisciplinary management of cancers
- Molecular targeted therapies and molecular imaging
- Novel radiation and surgical treatments
- Towards individualised management of cancer
- Robotic and minimally invasive surgery
- Reconstructive and salvage surgery
- Elderly patients, co-morbidities and their impact on management
- New insight in systemic treatments of cancers
- Thyroid, nasopharynx cancers and rare cancers
- Quality of life, supportive care and management of treatment side effects.

The format of the meeting will include prestigious invited ‘state of the art lectures’; lectures on the latest innovative approaches; proffered papers and poster presentations of new data in the field of head and neck oncology. The programme will be enriched by pro and contra debates and interactive tumour board sessions where the audience will have the possibility to participate and share their input via an electronic voting system. There will be also a special focus on presentations of new data from practice changing randomised trials.
Ample time will be given for discussions to allow in-depth interaction among the various disciplines and the participants.

To stimulate multidisciplinary interactions among the various specialists, all the lectures, debates, tumour boards and proffered papers will be given in the same conference room. It is hoped that the mix of a rich and challenging scientific programme coupled with the enticing atmosphere of the city of Barcelona will convince you to attend this 6th International Conference on Innovative Approaches in Head and Neck Oncology.

Hans Langendijk,
ESTRO

C. René Leemans,
EHNS

Jean-Pascal Machiels,
ESMO

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GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS
Abstracts must be submitted on-line on the ESTRO website at: www.estro.org.

For questions regarding the on-line submission process, please e-mail abstracts@estro.org.

REGULATIONS
With the submission of the abstract for 6th ICHNO conference, the first (presenting) author:
- Accepts responsibility for the accuracy of the abstract and ascertains that all authors are aware of the content before submission
- Accepts to be the contact person for all correspondence related to the abstract and to inform the co-authors about its status
- Accepts to identify any financial interest in products or processes described in the abstract. This includes stock ownership, membership on any advisory boards, commercially sponsored research or any other substantial relationships.
- Certifies that the information to be reported is for exclusive presentation in the session to which the abstract will be assigned if accepted and that the information will not be presented as such at any commercially sponsored satellite symposia during the conference.

Abstracts must be submitted and presented at the conference in English. The Scientific Committee reserves the right to reject an abstract written in poor English.

Abstracts will be anonymised before review to ensure fairness and eliminate possible bias. Therefore it is strictly forbidden to include the authors’ names or institutions in the body of the abstracts. Submitted abstracts that include such references may be penalised by the Abstract Reviewing Committee.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION
- **Topic category**: choose the topic category that refers to the main subject of the abstract. The Scientific Committee reserves the right to re-categorise the abstract.
- **Presentation preference:** authors should indicate the presentation preference (oral, poster or no preference). Please note that the final decision on the presentation format rests with the Scientific Committee.

- **Title:** Abstract titles should be brief and reflect the content of the abstract. The title (maximum 100 characters) is important since it focuses attention (it is the "showcase" for the presentation). Do not use capital letters in the title except for words that are always capitalised and do not use non-standard abbreviations.

- **Body of the abstract:** Abstracts should be structured in such a way as to include (1) Purpose/Objective; (2) Material/methods; (3) Results; (4) Conclusion. The use of standard abbreviations is desirable. A special or unusual abbreviation must be placed (in round brackets) after the first appearance of the word for which it stands. The on-line abstract submission procedure will not accept abstracts that exceed 3,000 characters (body of the abstract, including spaces).

- Authors can include one image AND one data table in the body of the abstract (this is not included in the number of characters) in JPG format. The maximum file size of each image should be 500 KB. The maximum pixel size of the image is 600(w) x 800(h) pixel.

- Equations can be inserted in the text as images (only JPG format).

**ABSTRACT SELECTION PROCESS**

Abstracts submitted for presentation will be reviewed by an international panel of experts in the field of the subject. Abstract review criteria are based on clarity, supporting data, scientific rigour, potential significance, interest in the topic chosen and innovation or usefulness. Research obviously not yet performed and results not yet obtained will be banned.

Abstracts will be selected for one of the following presentation formats:

- **Oral presentation:** the abstract is selected for oral presentation at any of the proffered paper sessions.

- **Poster presentation:** abstracts that have been selected for presentation in a poster format. The posters are grouped by topic and are displayed throughout the meeting.

**WITHDRAWAL OF AN ABSTRACT**

Abstracts submitted for the 6th ICHNO conference can be withdrawn until 22 November 2016. (To withdraw your abstract you should send an email to abstracts@estro.org). After this date, withdrawal of abstracts is no longer possible. Abstracts selected for oral/poster presentation should be presented at the meeting. If the first (presenting) author cannot attend the conference, he/she should assign a replacement and inform the ESTRO office of the replacement as soon as possible.

Notification of outcome of abstract submission will be sent by email by end November 2016.
ABSTRACT TOPIC CATEGORIES

1. Multidisciplinary management
2. Innovative treatments
3. Biology, HPV and molecular targeting
4. Imaging and radiomics
5. Supportive care, quality of life, rehabilitation
6. Minimal invasive and reconstructive surgery
7. Epidemiology and prevention
8. Salivary gland, skull base, skin and thyroid cancers
9. Special requirements for elderly patients
10. Immunodiagnosis and immunotherapy
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<td>- Immunotherapy beyond anti PD1 inhibitors – P. Coulie (BE)</td>
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| 09:15-10:30| **SYMPOSIUM 5 - Adenoid cystic carcinoma**<br>Chair: R. de Bree (NL) / S. Faivre (FR)<br>  
- Adenoid cystic carcinoma: considerations in surgical approach and factors modifying expected outcome following treatment – V. Vander Poorten (BE)  
- Radiotherapy in the adenoid cystic carcinoma of the H&N – A. Jensen (DE)  
- When to treat and how to treat distant metastases – P. Bossi (IT) |
| 10:30-11:00| Coffee break                                                                                                     |
| 11:00-12:00| **PROFFERED PAPERS 3**                                                                                           |
| 12:00-13:00| **DEBATE 1 - Early stage HPV related oropharyngeal cancer should not be treated with radiotherapy anymore**<br>Chair: V. Grégoire (BE) / R. Simo (UK)<br>  
- For the motion: C. Simon (CH)  
- Against the motion: C. Nutting (UK)  
- For the motion: J. Klozar (CZ)  
- Against the motion: J. Giralt (ES) |
| 13:00-13:15| **CONCLUDING REMARKS**<br>H. Langendijk (ESTRO) / CR. Leemans (EHNS) / JP. Machiels (ESMO)                         |
GENERAL INFORMATION

UPDATED INFORMATION
Please consult the ESTRO website on a regular basis for updated information.

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS
Abstracts must be submitted online through the ESTRO website which hosts an electronic abstract submission form.

CME ACCREDITATION
The conference organisers will apply for CME accreditation with the European Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (EACCME).

Through an agreement between the European Union of Medical Specialists and the American Medical Association, physicians may convert EACCME credits to an equivalent number of AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Information on the process to convert EACCME credit to AMA credit can be found at www.ama-assn.org/go/internationalcme.

Live educational activities, occurring outside of Canada, recognised by the UEMS-EACCME for ECMEC credits are deemed to be Accredited Group Learning Activities (Section 1) as defined by the Maintenance of Certification Program of The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada.

ONLINE REGISTRATION
Registration to the conference will be exclusively through our online registration form via the ESTRO website.

VENUE
Fira Barcelona
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ACCOMMODATION
Hotel booking can be done online through the 6th ICHNO webpage. The official housing agent for the conference will be Kuoni Congress: ichno2017@ch.kuoni.com

In close consultation with us they have made a selection of hotels in Barcelona. We advise you to make your reservation far in advance. Hotel accommodations are made on a first-come, first-served basis.

CURRENCY
The currency in Spain is the euro (€).

OFFICIAL LANGUAGE
The official language of the meeting is English. No simultaneous translation will be provided.
POSTERS
The poster area will be in the conference centre and therefore, posters may be viewed at any time during conference hours.

EXHIBITION
An exhibition featuring equipment and pharmaceutical companies as well as medical publishers will be held in the exhibition area. The exhibition will be open on Thursday 16 March, Friday 17 March and Saturday 18 March 2017. Entrance is free for all the registered participants.

Companies and publishers who would like to participate in the exhibition may obtain more detailed information from the ESTRO Office.

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INSURANCE
The organiser does not accept liability for individual medical, travel or personal insurance. Participants are strongly advised to take out their own personal insurance policies.

In case an unforeseen event would force ESTRO to cancel the meeting, the Society will reimburse the participants the registration fee minus 15% for handling charges. ESTRO will not be responsible for the refund of travel and accommodation costs.

LUNCHEONS AND REFRESHMENTS
The registration fee for the conference includes lunches and coffee breaks served in the exhibition area.

WELCOME RECEPTION
All participants and company delegates are invited to the welcome reception on Thursday 16 March 2017 at 17:45. The welcome reception will take place in the exhibition area.

TRAVEL INFORMATION
How to reach Barcelona from the Airport
Taxi
El Prat International Airport is approximately nine miles (14 kilometres) southwest of the centre of Barcelona and taxis are available at the airport 24 hours a day. It takes roughly between twenty and forty minutes into the centre of town and the fare is about €30-45; tariffs can vary according to the time of day and supplements (eg. luggage). The fares should be displayed in the taxi and the amount payable should be indicated on the meter.

Aerobus
AEROBÚS is the official shuttle bus service that connects the airport BCN-El Prat and the centre of Barcelona every 5 minutes, every day of the year, in approximately 35 minutes. This is the fastest way to reach the city centre with public transport. Passengers are able to travel between any of the two airport terminals (T1 or T2) and
the centre of Barcelona (Pl. Catalunya) in only three stops in a fast, comfortable and economical way. Along the route there are stops at the most important points of the city: Pl. Catalunya, Sepúlveda-Urgell, Pl. Espanya, Gran Via-Urgell, and Pl. Universitat. Free Wifi and USB chargers on board. Price single ticket: €5,90.

**Metro**
The subway or metro now connects both terminals of the airport with Barcelona underground network. The line is called L9 Sud. There are stops at T1 (inside the building) and T2 (outside the building, next to train station): in both cases follow the signs.

**Train**
You can catch the train from Clot, Passeig de Gracia, or Barcelona Sants (Sants Estacio). The name of the stop for the airport is Aeropuerto. If travelling from the airport to the city centre you can get off at Barcelona Sants, Passeig de Gracia or Clot which are serviced by metro stops. From these you can change for the Barcelona metro underground system to go to your final destination.
ONLINE REGISTRATION
Registering through the ESTRO website is simple and will only take a few minutes. The ESTRO website can be consulted at www.estro.org (click “events”, then “6th ICHNO” on the right and then on “register”. Please follow the instructions included on the electronic registration form before submitting your registration and do not send it again by fax or post. Receipt of registration will be acknowledged electronically.

PAYMENT INFORMATION
Payments can be made by credit card through our secured website. For all questions concerning registration and payments, please contact: events@estro.org

REGISTRATION FEE
Reduced fees apply when the payment is received before specific deadlines:

- Early registration rate deadline: **26 October 2016**
- Late registration rate deadline: **15 February 2017**
- Desk registration rate: **as of 16 February 2017**

Please note that in order to benefit from the member price ESTRO members must renew their membership for 2017 BEFORE registering to the conference. The membership renewal should be done at least 3 days before the early or late deadlines. The membership internal processing and approval process might take up to 3 working days.

### REGISTRATION FEES (EXCL. 21% VAT):

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The registration fee to the conference includes access to the scientific sessions and exhibition area, the programme book, coffee and lunches, and the invitation to the welcome reception.

CONFIRMATION OF REGISTRATION
Upon receipt of your registration form, a confirmation of your registration will be forwarded to you electronically.

CANCELLATION OF REGISTRATION
In case of cancellation, full refund of the registration fee minus handling charges of 15% may be obtained up to 3 months before the meeting. Between 3 months and 1 month before the meeting, the refund will amount to 50% of the fee. No refund will be possible if the cancellation is postmarked after 16 February 2017.
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