

SECOND ANNOUNCEMENT // EUROPEAN CONFERENCE  
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# POST POLIO SYNDROME

– a condition without boundaries

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## WELCOME

The Conference aims to promote better care for the large number of 700.000 Europeans suffering from late effects of polio by exchanging knowledge between health care professionals, researchers, polio survivors and patient organisation representatives from Europe and worldwide.

Although the majority of people in Europe affected by polio during the large epidemics of the previous century, is nowadays aging, there is also a considerable number of younger European immigrants with polio residuals who contracted polio more recently in their country of birth. Worldwide there are large numbers of young polio survivors who are facing a life ahead with polio residuals.

For the many aging polio survivors who suffer from declining muscle function and experience increasing disabilities due to post-polio syndrome, the challenge is to retain muscle function and to treat and prevent overuse damage of the locomotory system, with the aim to preserve independency and quality of life. The challenge for the younger polio survivors inside and outside Europe lays in the prevention of late deterioration. The conference theme refers to the aim to exchange knowledge about the treatment of polio residuals in different age groups across the world to best preserve functioning throughout life.

This Conference is initiated by the European Polio Union and the Academic Medical Center of Amsterdam in cooperation with the Danish Society of Polio and Accident victims (PTU) Copenhagen and Karolinska Institute Stockholm

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Chair Scientific  
Committee

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## CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

You are invited to submit abstracts for oral or poster presentation during the conference. The organizers will attempt to comply with the author's preference for presentation. All abstracts must be submitted via the conference website, no later than **January 15, 2014**. Topics for oral and poster presentations may include, but are not limited to:

- \* Polio Eradication Progress
- \* Pathophysiology of Post-Polio Syndrome, New Avenues for Treatment?
- \* Best Practices for Post-Polio Syndrome
- \* Innovations in Orthotic Devices
- \* Treatment of Young Polio Survivors Inside and Outside Europe
- \* Nutrition
- \* Coping & Exchange of Experiences
- \* Societal and Caregiver Issues

## TIME TABLE

Registration now open

Call for abstracts open

Deadline for abstracts January 15, 2014

Deadline early fee April 1, 2014

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## FURTHER INFORMATION

The progress of the conference can be followed on the congress website

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You are also welcome to contact us at:  
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## REGISTRATION FEE

### Registration fee for professionals

before April 1st 2014: € 550

### Registration fee for polio survivors

before April 1st 2014: € 275

### Registration fee for professionals after

April 1st 2014: € 600

### Registration fee for polio survivors after

April 1st 2014: € 325

### Reduced rates for low income countries on request.

Registration fee includes participation of the sessions and catering during the conference & free admission for the Welcome reception.

Conference dinner must be paid separately.

Online registration is open via the congress website

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