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Welcome Message of the Meeting Hosts

Dear members, colleagues and friends,

a warm welcome to the EUROSPINE Spring Speciality Meeting in Vienna, Austria!

For the first time a EUROSPINE Spring Speciality Meeting is conducted on prevention strategies of spinal disability. Spinal disability is considered a global burden. It is one of the main reasons for disability among the working population. With our aging population, spinal disability becomes also an increasing problem in older people.

For the EUROSPINE Spring Speciality Meeting 2018 we have invited specialists from Europe and other parts of the world. You will hear specialists from different areas like politicians, insurance companies, world health organisations and other organisations. We have invited specialists with different backgrounds from epidemiology, health care specialists, physiotherapists, surgeons, psychologists, chiropractors, insurance management and from many other professions. There are also invited speakers for scientific talks, keynote lectures, debates and discussions. However, we are very much looking forward for an intense exchange of knowledge, also with all participants in lively discussions.

Beyond the scientific meeting, Vienna offers a wide variety of exciting things of experiences from old historic buildings, classic concerts, the Opera and other cultural highlights to modern museums and pop concerts. Walk in the footsteps of the Habsburgs, visit the baroque Schönbrunn palace or stroll along the magnificent Ring Boulevard and look at the Imperial Palace.

We are certain that this Spring Speciality Meeting will be a memorable and enjoyable meeting.

We look forward to meeting you personally at the EUROSPINE Spring Speciality Meeting 2018 in Vienna.

Sincerely,
Pierre Côté, Margareta Nordin and Frank Kandziora
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Margareta Nordin, France, in the name of the course chairs

08:10–09:10 □ Symposium 1: The Global Burden of Spinal Disorders
Moderator: Scott Haldeman,
World Spine Care and North American Spine Society, USA

08:10 □ Disability and spinal disorders: implications for global health and system responses
Andrew Briggs, Global Alliance for Musculoskeletal Health, Australia

08:30 □ How to conceptualise and measure disability?
Ellen Årtun, University of Oslo, Norway

08:50 □ Panel discussion faculty
Moderator: Scott Haldeman, World Spine Care and North American Spine Society, USA

09:10–09:40 □ Keynote (Introduction by Frank Kandziora, Course Chair): The Importance of Musculoskeletal Prevention of Disability and Rehabilitation
Karsten Dreinhöfer, Global Musculoskeletal Alliance, Germany

09:40–10:10 □ COFFEE BREAK

10:10–12:00 □ Symposium 2: Examples of prevention of spine disability, are we successful?
Moderator: Rachid Salmi, EUROSPINE, France

10:10 □ Population prevention of spine disability, are we successful?
Pierre Côté, EUROSPINE and UOIT-CMCC Centre for Disability Prevention and Rehabilitation, Canada

10:30 □ Prevention of spine disability in the workplace, a success story
Johannes (Han) Anema, International Commission on International Health, Netherlands

10:50 □ How do you judge that a prevention programme can be useful?
Rachid Salmi, EUROSPINE, France

11:10 □ The prevention of spine disability a human rights issue?
Jan Monsbakken, Rehabilitation International, Norway

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|              | Moderator: *Margareta Nordin, EUROSPINE, France*                     |
| 13:00        | How do the clinical history and clinical evaluation contribute to diagnose spine disability?  
|              | *Nadège Lemeunier, EUROSPINE, France*                                  |
| 13:20        | Do we need an x-ray or imaging for every patient seeking care for spinal disorders to reduce spine disability?  
|              | *Alberto Zerbi, EUROSPINE, Italy*                                     |
| 13:40        | Who to refer to and to avoid misuse of care?                          
|              | *Richard Brown, World Federation of Chiropractic, Canada*             |
| 14:00        | Early care models for the prevention of common spine pain and disability, are they successful?  
|              | *Marco Campello, EUROSPINE, USA*                                     |
| 14:20        | Panel discussion faculty                                             
|              | Moderator: *Margareta Nordin, EUROSPINE, France*                     |
| 14:50–15:20  | **COFFEE BREAK**                                                     |
| 15:20–17:00  | **Symposium 4: Prevention of spine disability in the working population**  
|              | Moderator: *Pierre Côté, EUROSPINE, Canada*                          |
| 15:20        | The working population: how can the work place prevent spine disability?  
|              | *Kim Burton, EUROSPINE, UK*                                          |
| 15:40        | How can an insurance company aid the prevention of spine disability?  
|              | *Gilles Rivier, SUVA, Switzerland*                                   |
| 16:00        | Are there national policies to be changed to prevent spine disability in the working population?  
|              | *Jan Monsbakken, Rehabilitation International, Norway*              |
| 16:20        | The use of spine registry in the prevention of spine disability       
|              | *Tim Pigott, EUROSPINE, United Kingdom*                              |
| 16:40        | Panel discussion faculty                                             
|              | Moderator: *Pierre Côté, EUROSPINE, Canada*                          |
| 19:00–22:30  | **CONGRESS EVENING**                                                
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                Scott Haldeman, World Spine Care and North American Spine Society, USA |
| 09:00–10:50  | **Symposium 5: Surgical care in the prevention of spine disability**  
                Moderator: Thomas Blattert, EUROSPINE, Germany |
| 09:00        | Can fusion, disc replacement or conservative care prevent disability in patients with low back pain?  
                Anne Mannion, EUROSPINE, Switzerland |
| 09:15        | What patient needs surgery to prevent disability in patients with spine deformities?  
                Emre Acaroglu, EUROSPINE, Turkey |
| 09:30        | What patients with osteoporotic fractures needs a surgical intervention to prevent disability?  
                Thomas Blattert, EUROSPINE, Germany |
| 09:45        | What patient with spinal stenosis does need spine surgery to prevent disability?  
                Frank Kandziora, EUROSPINE, Germany |
| 10:00        | The impact of co-morbidities on spine disability  
                Eric L. Werner, EUROSPINE, Norway |
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                Christine Cedraschi, EUROSPINE, Switzerland |
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                Moderator: Jan Monsbakken, Rehabilitation International, Norway |
| 11:50        | What is effective primary care to prevent spine disability?  
                Eric L. Werner, EUROSPINE, Norway |
12:10  |  WHO approach to healthy ageing and integrated care for older people to prevent disability
       | Andrew Briggs, Global Alliance for Musculoskeletal Health, Australia

12:30  |  Identifying the patient risk for spine disability: Is it possible?
       | Tamar Pincus, EUROSPINE, United Kingdom

12:50–13:50  |  LUNCH BREAK

13:50–15:20  |  Symposium 6 cont.: The first patient encounter and prevention of spine disability-strategies
               | Moderator: Jan Monsbakken, Rehabilitation International, Norway

13:50  |  How do we educate clinicians to prevent disability from spine disorders?
       | Rachid Salmi, EUROSPINE, France

14:10  |  Policy efforts to prevent spine disability. The Canadian experience
       | Pierre Côté, EUROSPINE and UOIT-CMCC Centre for Disability Prevention and Rehabilitation, Canada

14:30  |  What is the patient’s opinion from qualitative studies?
       | Christine Cedraschi, EUROSPINE, Switzerland

14:50  |  Panel discussion: How do we work together to prevent and reduce disability for patients seeking care for spine disorders?
       | Moderator: Jan Monsbakken, Rehabilitation International, Norway

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               | Moderators: Margareta Nordin and Frank Kandziora, EUROSPINE, France and Germany

15:50  |  A panel discussion including Andrew Briggs, Pierre Côté, Christine Cedraschi, Karsten Dreinhöfer, Scott Haldeman, Jan Monsbakken, Gilles Rivier, Rachid Salmi, Tim Pigott and Eric L. Werner
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- congress documentation (name badge, programme book, congress bag, certificate of attendance)
- admission to scientific sessions
- admission to the industry networking line-up
- coffee breaks and lunch buffet

Payment

Please note that all onsite payments need to be made in cash or via credit card (Visa, Mastercard and American Express will be accepted). Unfortunately we cannot accept traveller cheques or other credit cards.

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  14:50 – 15:20
- Friday, 27 April 2018 10:50 – 11:20
  15:20 – 15:50

A buffet lunch will be provided on both days of the meeting.
- Thursday, 26 April 2018 12:00 – 13:00
- Friday, 27 April 2018 12:50 – 13:50

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No password needed.

**Parking**

A public parking garage in Praetoriusgasse offers direct access to the venue.

Fees:

- €2.5 per hour
- €25 per 24 hours (fee applies after 10 hours)
Currency and bank hours

The official currency in Austria is EURO (€). Banking hours in general are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 08:00–12:30 and 13:30–15:00, Thursday 08:00–12:30 and 13:30–17:00. ATMs are located outside most banks, cash can be withdrawn there 24/7. National and foreign Maestro cards (cash cards) as well as Mastercard, AMEX, Visa and Diners are accepted. Credit cards are also accepted by numerous hotels, restaurants, shops and gas stations.

Electricity

The standard voltage in Austria is 230V, 50Hz. Power sockets of type F are used.

Insurance and liability

The congress organisers will not assume any responsibility for accidents, losses or damages, as well as for delays or modifications in the programme, caused by unforeseen circumstances. No claims for indemnification from the organisers shall arise for contractors or participants in case of cancellation, for any reason, of the entire congress. Delegates are advised to arrange cancellation insurance for their congress costs (i.e. registration fee, travel or accommodation costs).

Opening hours

Shops are usually open from 10:00–19:00 from Monday to Friday and from 10:00–18:00 on Saturday. On Sunday shops are usually closed except in the old town. Grocery stores already open around 8:00 during weekdays.

Smoking

Smoking is prohibited in public buildings and in most restaurants. Some restaurants have a smoking area or are designated smokers’ restaurants.

Tax

Austria has a standard Value Added Tax rate of 20%, food items and other exceptions have a VAT rate of 10%.

Taxi

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+43 1 40 100
+43 1 81 400
Telephone and useful numbers

Austria’s international access code is +43 (0043)  
Dial 112 in case of emergency to request the fire, ambulance and police services or refer to the staff at the registration area.

Time

Vienna is in the Central European Time Zone, one hour ahead of Greenwich Mean Time (GMT).

Tipping

Service is usually included in the prices in bars and restaurants. Tips are always welcome and usually 10%.

Weather

Vienna, the largest city of Austria, lies between a transition of humid continental and oceanic climate. Temperatures in Vienna in April usually range between 11°C–13°C by day, nights are cooler.
Venue and Vienna Information

Meeting venue

Austria Trend Hotel Savoyen Vienna

Address:
Rennweg 16
1030 Vienna
Austria
www.austria-trend.at/en/hotels/savoyen

About Vienna

Whether this is your first visit to Vienna or you have been here before – this city always finds ways to surprise and delight you. Just take in its atmosphere, which is rich in history and tradition, yet also fresh and upbeat.

The city centre is a small universe in itself: discover historical palaces face to face with modern facades, elegant boutiques next to popular fashion stores, and antique shops lining up across from stylish designer hotspots.
City tours & tourist information

Vienna Tourist Info
Albertinaplatz/Maysedergasse
1010 Vienna, Austria
P: +43 1 245 55
Website: www.wien.info
Opening Hours: daily 09:00–19:00

Available Services:
• Ticket Shop (discount for different theatres)
• General city maps, brochures
• Event tips and day trips
• Vienna Card

City maps can be picked up at the registration desks.

Mobility in Vienna

From the airport to the city centre and vice versa
Bus: At 20-minute intervals, the Vienna Airport Lines depart between 05:30 and 24:00 daily. Cost: approx. €8. Duration: approx. 20–30 min.
Train: The urban railway leaves at 10-30 min. intervals between 05:00 and 22:00 daily. Cost: €4. Duration: approx. 30–40 min.
CAT: The City Airport Train runs at 30-minute intervals from 06:05 to 23:00 daily from the airport to train station “Landstrasse/Wien Mitte”. Cost: €12. Duration: approx. 16 min.

Vienna has an efficient and modern public transport network of underground lines, trams and busses. Depending on the line in question, hours of operation are between 5:00 and 00:30 daily.

Prices
Single Trip Ticket Vienna €2.40
24 Hours €8.00
48 Hours €14.10
72 Hours €17.10

Public transportation tickets are available in Vienna Transport Authority’s (Wiener Linien) ticket offices, as well as at the ticket machines in all underground stations.
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