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Official Housing and Tours Agent

AKM Travel AG has been selected as the Official Agent and is in charge of hotel accommodation, pre-post congress tours as well as tours during the congress week. AKM will also be happy to assist you with the planning of social events in case of need.

Basel is well-known for its beautiful medieval buildings along the Rhine River, its world famous art collections and museums, the shopping areas and the colorful market. For assistance to plan any social event, please do not hesitate to contact AKM.

During the meeting, an attractive choice of guided tours has been prepared for all delegates and accompanying persons. Below you will find the suggested schedules together with a short description. A professional English-speaking guide will accompany all tours.

Saturday, 30 August 2008

In the afternoon, a guided walking tour through the old parts of Basel including a visit of the Cathedral and the Town Hall. Receive a first impression of Basel!

Sunday, 31 August 2008

For new arriving guests, a second guided walking tour through Basel – as described above – is organized. In the afternoon you will have the possibility to join a Cruise on the Rhine River and visit the famous Augusta Raurica, which is the site of the oldest Roman colony on the Rhine, today's Kaiseraugst.

Monday, 1 September 2008

Basel is well known for its Art and for this reason one of Basel's slogans is "Culture Unlimited". The visit of two very famous museums is offered. In the morning: Visit of the Tinguely Museum; situated within a beautiful park, close to the Rhine shore. This museum is dedicated to the life and work of the famous Swiss Artist Jean Tinguely. Designed by Mario Botta, these interesting building hosts masterpieces generously offered to the city of Basel by Tinguely's also famous widow Niki de Saint Phalle.

In the afternoon: Visit of the Basel Art Museum "Foundation Beyeler". It hosts a large art collection from masters such as Claude Monet, Paul Klee, Roy Lichtenstein, Matisse and Cézanne.

Tuesday, 2 September 2008

In the morning you will have the possibility to visit yet another interesting museum: The Basel - Jewish Museum. The exhibits portray the Jewish law, the Jewish year and daily life. Tombstones from the middle ages, Hebrew prints and documents of the first Zionist Congress illustrate the history of the Jewish community in Basel. Special shows set fresh accents.

In the afternoon, an excursion to neighboring France will be organized.

Ride by private coach along the "Route des Vins" to Colmar, a picturesque small town in the Alsace, just 45 Minutes away from Basel. Guided tour through Colmar and visit of France's second most visited museum the "Musée Unterlinden", famous for Mathias Grünewald's Issenheim Altar. After this pleasant stay, the tour goes on to Eguisheim where you will visit a wine cellar. There you will also have the possibility to taste some nice French wine and the delicious regional specialty "Gugelhopf".

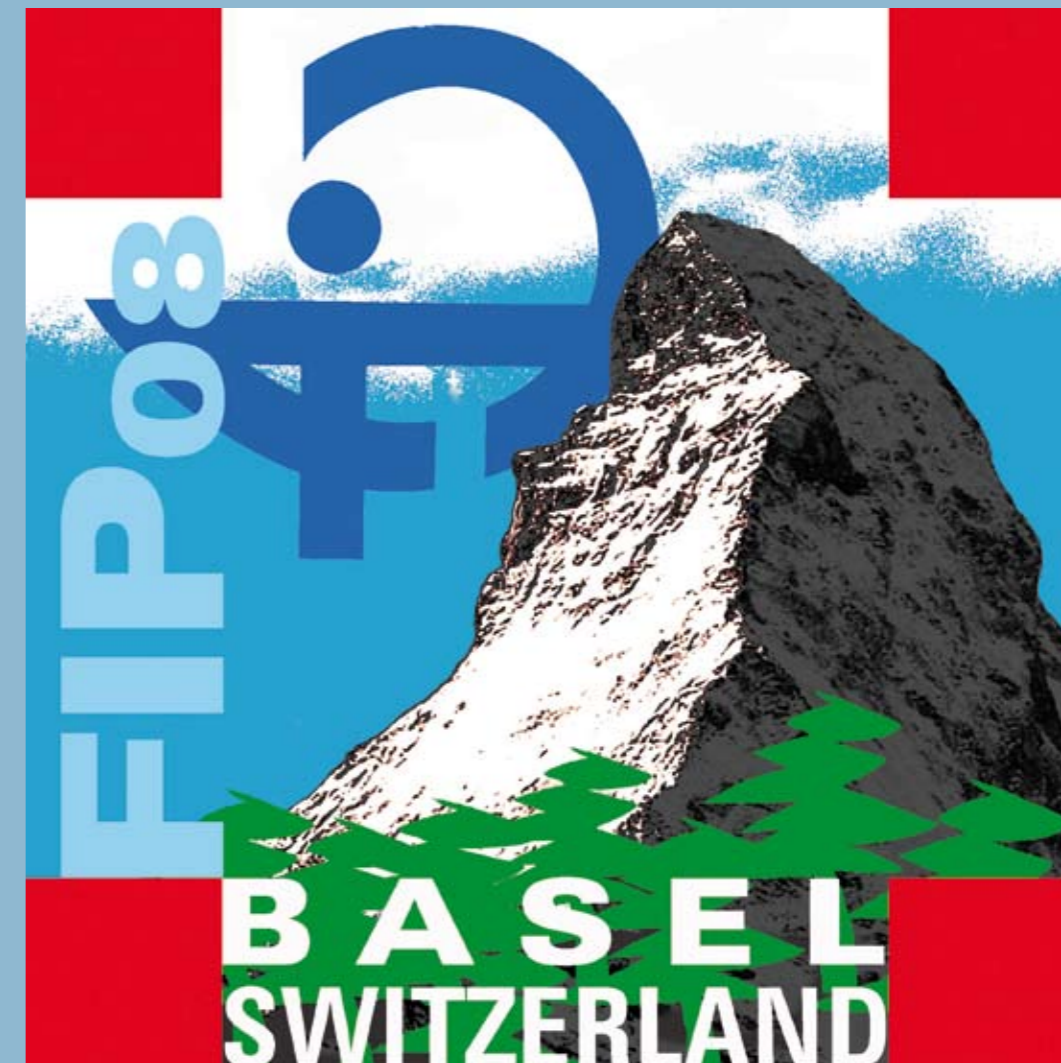
Wednesday, 3 September 2008

Full day excursion to Lucerne and the Swiss Alps. You will drive from Basel via Lucerne to Alpnachstad along the "Vierwaldstätter See". Then the world's steepest track-railway takes you up to the Top of the Pilatus Mountain. From there you have a beautiful view over the white peaks of the Alps, Lucerne and the Lake. Descent by cable car to Kriens and guided visit of Lucerne with its famous wooden bridge and time for shopping.

Thursday, 4 September 2008

If you didn't have time to join the Rhine River Cruise on Sunday, on this day you will have a second chance. This time the excursion is organized in the morning.

1st Announcement



World Congress of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences 2008

68th International Congress of FIP

Basel, Switzerland

29 August until 4 September 2008

Your Hosts

International Pharmaceutical Federation (FIP) together with the Pharmaceutical Society of Switzerland

Outline Congress Schedule

Saturday, 30 August until Thursday, 4 September 2008

Registration

Saturday, 30 August 2008

Council Meeting and Continuing Education Programme

Sunday, 31 August 2008

Continuing Education Programme

Opening Ceremony

FIP Show Case

Monday, 1 until Thursday 4 September 2008

Exhibition and Posters

Pharmaceutical Practice and Science Programme

General Symposia

Assembly of Pharmacists

International Pharmacy Students and

Young Pharmacists Session

Section Programme

Social Events

Monday, 1 September 2008

Welcome Party

Wednesday, 3 September 2008

Women for Pharmacy Luncheon

Section Dinners

Thursday, 4 September 2008

Good Bye Party



Something about Basel!!

Nestled in the Three Countries Corner of Germany, France and Switzerland, Basel is one big, world wide Pharmacy city, full of surprises located on both banks of the busy river Rhine.

Strategically situated in the heart of Europe where the Rhine turns north, Basel has long been an important transport hub and a junction for rail lines from every direction. The EuroAirport located only ten minutes from the city centre, offers connections to the international air network. You will find that the city is easy to get to and public transport carries you quickly wherever you want to go to free of charge. Beautiful nearby regions can be reached in no time: The Jura, the Vosges and the Black Forest are all close by.

The blending of Celtic, Roman and Germanic peoples.

Remarkable cities also have remarkable histories. Settled by the Celtic in prehistoric times, Basel also attracted the Romans. After the Romans came the Alemannic and Frankish people. The first University of Switzerland was founded here in 1460. When Erasmus of Rotterdam lived in Basel, the city was a centre of humanistic scholarship and of printing and paper manufacture. The world-famous pharmaceutical and chemical industries had their roots in silk ribbon manufacturing. Thus a European centre of culture, trade and finance arose out of a fortified settlement.

Where the past meets the future

Besides being one of the best preserved and most beautiful in Europe, the old town of Basel is where the very soul of the

city is revealed. History becomes tangible here. A stroll turns into a fascinating trip through the many epochs that have left their mark. You will find elegant patrician houses dating from the Baroque period, many fountains and a beautiful Cathedral and City Hall.

A passion that makes art a public issue

More than 300 years ago, Basel established a public art collection, which ranks high on Basel's list of priorities. It is just as much a part of the city as the Rhine is. Works by outstanding international artists, such as Tinguely's fountain, Borofsky's 'Hammering Man' and Serr's 'Intersection'; the many galleries also offer an unbelievable variety. In 1967 the City acquired works by the great Picasso. Visitors can choose from more than thirty museums and the variety is breathtaking for virtually any taste.

Where business and hospitality go together

In 1471 Emperor Friedrich III granted Basel the privilege of holding fairs. Since that time the City has developed into Switzerland's leading fair and congress centre. Favored by its central location and superb travel connections, it is now one of the most important centers in Europe. Main events held here are 'Art Basel' (largest art fair in the world) or 'Baselworld' (world watch, clock and jeweler show). In Basel you will find superb infrastructure, hotels and entertainment.



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