Welcome to Beijing!!

It is a great pleasure to welcome each and every one of you to this year’s FIP World Congress of Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences. As part of the YPG network, you represent the newest members of FIP. It is our goal to help you feel welcome and well connected with all the opportunities that are available to you through the Federation.

This guide is intended to acquaint you with Congress activities organized for and by Young Pharmacists worldwide. It is our hope that you can meet one another, share your ideas and experiences, and allow us to help you build your international network of friends and colleagues.

On behalf of this year’s YPG Steering Committee, we are delighted to welcome you and hope that your Congress is a fulfilling and unforgettable experience.

Enjoy!!

Boyan Todorov
Chairperson, 2006-07 Steering Committee
FIP Young Pharmacists Group
Our Projects:

- The Young Pharmacists / Pharmaceutical Scientists Grant for Professional Innovation
  The grant recipient receives €1000 to support project implementation as well as an expense-paid trip to the subsequent FIP Congress to present the 1-year project results. The next call for applicants will be announced early in 2008. Stay tuned for details!

- FIP Mentoring
  Get linked up with a mentor within FIP who can help orient you to the organization, its different sections, SIGs, and leadership opportunities.

- Global WEBlogs
  Pharmacists from all corners of the world and all different practice areas keep online diaries for 4-6 months. What a fantastic way to compare and contrast our challenges and successes. We share the same profession, after all. Want to vote for your favorite blogger? Email ypg@fip.org or let us know when you see us.

- Online Career Development Resources
  Check our website for tips on writing your curriculum vitae, preparing for an interview, negotiating your salary and benefits, or hints for giving a stellar oral presentation. The website also offers an online database with information on postgraduate study opportunities, continuing education courses, and (eventually) will include pharmacist registration criteria sorted by country.

The 2007 FIP Young Pharmacists Grant for Professional Innovation

Grant Recipient:
Dr. Christie Robinson
(United States)

Project Title:
"Improving Patient Self-Care"

The Provision of Consumer Internet Health Education for Indigent HIV-positive Persons will provide multi-disciplinary Internet health education classes to indigent HIV-positive persons. A health literacy assessment survey will be given before, immediately after, and three-months after the class. The basis for this research was an earlier survey Dr. Robinson conducted, which supported the need for credible Internet resource education for this population. This research and education will aim to improve health literacy, Internet search strategies, disease-state knowledge, and self-care.

IPSF is the leading international advocacy organisation for pharmacy students with the aim to promote improved public health through provision of information, education, networking as well as a range of publications and professional initiatives.

Founded in London in 1949, IPSF is the world’s oldest international student organisation. Today, the Federation represents over 350,000 pharmacy students and recent graduates from 62 countries worldwide.

IPSF is an independent NGO that holds relations with WHO, UNESCO and the UN’s Economic and Social Council. IPSF works in close collaboration with FIP and the IPSF Secretariat is supported and hosted by FIP in The Hague, The Netherlands.

IPSF initiatives focus mainly in the areas of public health, pharmacy education and professional development. Initiatives include public health campaigns, pharmacy education and workforce research, the Student Exchange Programme, organising international and regional congresses and symposia, and a variety of publications such as the IPSF News Bulletin and the scientific supplement Phuture.

To find out more, visit www.ipsf.org or email ipsf@ipsf.org

Registration
www.fip.org/Congress/beijing2007
Click on registration. Students and recent graduates (<5 years since graduation) are eligible for discounted registration. It is not too late to participate!

Location
The conference will be held at the Jiuhua Spa & Resort with hotel options available at Jiuhua Convention & Exhibition Center Hotel or Jiuhua Grand Hotel, though more affordable accommodations may be available near the congress venue.

Meetings and Educational Sessions

Monday 3 September
0900  FIP/IPSF Students’ Day: Social Dimensions of Developing the Pharmacy Profession
FIP – IPSF People’s Hall Room 101
Session to explore sociology in the pharmacy profession focusing on gender, culture and the brain drain

1300  Financing the Healthcare
YPG
People’s Hall Room 101
Forum seeks to introduce key models of financing healthcare systems and how the systems affect pharmacy practice
Experiential Learning – Bridging Classroom Learning and Pharmacy Practice
FIP Academic Pharmacy Section – IPSF
People's Hall Room 102
The session will discuss the concept and value of practice-based experiential learning in pharmacy curricula, with a focus on implementation challenges, preceptor education and accreditation.

Tuesday 4 September
0900 Trends in Community Pharmacy - Debating the Future of the Profession: Forum for Policy Makers in Pharmacy Practice
FIP Community Pharmacy Section – YPG - IPSF
People's Hall Room 101
The interactive session will address pharmacist prescribing, deregulation of pharmacy, leadership and succession, and role of the community pharmacist.

1400 – 1600 IPSF Business Meeting
This IPSF Business Meeting is the place to get updated about current IPSF projects and activities, where you can get familiarised with the Federation's work. The discussion will also involve the exchange of ideas on how to strengthen IPSF's involvement in FIP's scope of work.

Wednesday 5 September
0900 Medication Reviews – from Medication Counselling towards Service Delivery
FIP Pharmacy Information Section – IPSF
People's Hall Room 107
The session seeks to address the impact of medication reviews, the stakeholders involved in design and implementation as well as challenges of implementation.

1000 – 1200 YPG Business Meeting Room 73
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1300 Good Versus Bad Drug Information in the Public Domain – Can You Spot the Difference?
FIP Pharmacy Information Section – YPG
People's Hall Room 107
The session seeks to address the use of internet information and its impact on health care for patients and pharmacists.

Sessions are accredited for continuing education credits by ACPE.

Poster Exhibition
3 – 5 September 0900 – 1600
6 September 0900 – 1400
Check out other YPG member posters and the IPSF booth.

Networking Opportunities

Sunday 2 September
Opening Ceremony
Great People's Hall on Tian'amen Square
Followed by the YPG Welcome Dinner

Tuesday 4 September
IPSF/YPG International Night
It's the social event you don't want to miss!
Tickets may be purchased in advance at the IPSF booth or from the YPG Steering Committee onsite.

Wednesday 5 September
Section Dinners
By invitation or purchased ticket

Thursday 6 September
Goodbye Dinner Party at the Great Wall
Ticket Purchase Required

7th FIP YPG Business Meeting Rules

Agenda
An agenda for the meeting will be drawn up by the steering Committee. The meeting will be chaired by the Chairperson of the Steering Committee, or another person delegated by the Chairperson.

Motions
Motions are a means of discussing and deciding on the work and running of the FIP YPG. Motions must be approved by the Steering Committee, and can be supported by a short statement from the proposer either in person or by email.

Motions will be received in person or by other means up to 7:00 am GMT (15:00, Beijing local time) on Tuesday, 4th September 2007. Email address ypg@fip.org.

Voting
FIP members who have graduated less then 5 years ago from their first degree in pharmacy or who are younger then 35 years of age are eligible to vote. Only members present at the assembly may vote, each member having one vote. Voting shall be by a show of hands unless a secret ballot is requested.
Nominations for YPG Steering Committee

Nominations shall be accepted from YPG members for any of the positions on the steering committee:
- Chairperson
- Project Coordinator
- Public Relations Officer.

Nominations shall be accepted up to 7:00 am GMT (15:00, Beijing local time) on Tuesday, 4th September 2007. Nominations can be made in person in front of the Chairperson or by email to ypg@fip.org and must include:

- Name, country, and FIP membership number
- Short biography (200 words)
- Position being sought
- Motivation behind nomination

Elections

Elections will be held for the positions on the Steering Committee of the YPG. Candidates may give a short motivation (2 minutes). In the event of a candidate not being present the biography and motivation shall be read to the meeting by the Chairperson. After all the candidates have been heard, the Assembly may ask questions. A vote will then be taken by a show of hands or secret ballot if requested and the candidate receiving the most votes shall be elected.

7th FIP YPG Business Meeting Agenda

10:00 – 12:00; Wednesday 5th September 2007
Room 73, Jiuhua Convention Centre
Beijing, China

1. Opening of the meeting
2. Introduction to assembly rules and voting eligibility
3. Appointment of chairperson
4. Welcome to guests and observers
5. Annual Report of the Steering Committee 2006/07
   Report will be presented then up for discussion and adoption
6. Budget and financial matters
7. Discussion and adoption of changes in the organization of the network
8. Discussion and approval of topic for the 8th YPG Forum (Basel 2008)
   Proposed Topic: "The role of pharmacists in primary health care in the developing world"
9. Suggestion of topics for the 9th YPG Forum (Istanbul 2009) - Suggestions from attendees
10. Elections for the Steering Committee 2006/07
   10.1 Chairperson
   10.2 Projects Coordinator
   10.3 Public Relations Coordinator
11. Any other business
12. Adjournment

See you next year!

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