

Third International Congress of Chinese Orthopaedic Association

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HKCOS and HKOA are co-organizers of this Congress. There were about 5,000 delegates last year. We would like to coordinate a delegation from HK. As in last year, we will be negotiating for a special price for the registration and hotel for HK delegates. The preliminary information is as follows. Some information is different in the Chinese and English versions in the web. Please check on the website for updates. We will inform you if there are important updates. If you are interested in joining, please indicate to Ms Irene Yu of HKCOS hkcoss@hkcoss.org.hk. For group registration from HK, please reply by 15 Oct.

The following information is compiled from many different sources and we try to be as accurate and update as possible.

Date

Thu 13 to Sun 16, Nov 2008

Venue

Suzhou International Expo Center, Suzhou, Jiangsu province, China

苏州国际会展中心

地址：苏州工业园区现代大道博览广场

电话：0512-62580111

网站：<http://www.suzhouexpo.com>



Programme

International programme conducted in English. Official language is supposed to be Chinese and English.

Deadline for abstract

31 July 2008

Hotel booking deadline

20 Oct 2008

Pre-registration deadline

20 Oct 2008

Early bird RMB800. After 20 Oct, RMB 1,200.

CORS

Registration on 12 Nov. Meeting on 13 Nov.

Airport Pick-up

Airport pickup service will be available November 13-16, 2008. Delegates will need to pay RMB170 to the travel agency for the service at the airport. Please provide your flight information to the Congress Tour Agency before October 20, 2008 if you need the service.

Location

One of the key cities in the Yangtze River Delta, Suzhou is a renowned cultural, historic and tourist city. The city is located in the southeast of Jiangsu Province, bordering Shanghai on the east, Zhejiang Province on the south, the Taihu Lake in the west and the Yangtze River in the north. The geographical coordinate of the city proper is at the latitude of 31 ° 19' N and longitude of 120 ° 37' E.

Situated at the temperate zone and with subtropical oceanic monsoon climate, Suzhou enjoys four distinct seasons, a mild temperature and abundant rainfall. The city spreads on a low terrain, with the plain covering 55% of the total area. With a network of rivers and canals as well as a fertile land, the city is rich in a variety of agricultural products. Major crops vary from rice to wheat, cotton, mulberry, and fruit. Its specialties include Biluochun Tea, Dao Fish from Yangtze River, Silver Fish from Taihu Lake and Hairy Crabs from Yangchenhu Lake. As a well-known "Land of Fish and Rice" as well as a "Silk Capital", Suzhou enjoys a fame of "Paradise on Earth".

苏州是全国重点旅游城市，全市现有各级各类文物保护单位 538 处，其中国家级 34 处，省级 106 处。成功加入世界遗产城市联盟。苏州古城座落在水网之中，街道依河而建，水陆并行；建筑临水而造，前巷后河，形成“小桥、流水、人家”的独特风貌。集建筑、山水、花木、雕刻、书画等于一体的苏州园林，是人类文明的瑰

宝奇葩，拙政园和留园列入中国四大名园，并同网师园、环秀山庄与沧浪亭、狮子林、艺圃、耦园、退思园等 9 个古典园林，分别于 97 年 12 月和 2000 年 11 月被联合国教科文组织列入《世界遗产名录》，古镇同里、周庄、甪直正在申报列入世界文化遗产。

在改革开放春风下，古老的苏州正焕发出勃勃生机，确立了“科教兴市、外向带动、可持续发展”战略，形成了外向型经济、乡镇企业两大优势，培育了以高新技术为主的新的经济增长点，人才、产业、环境等新优势已见端倪。

苏州正在成为以高新技术产业为主导的现代制造业基地，产学研紧密联合、各类人才聚集的技术创新基地、科技含量高、外向度高、经济效益好的现代农业基地，融人文景观与自然风光为一体、生态环境优美的旅游度假基地，21 世纪的苏州将是“经济繁荣、科教发达、生活富裕、环境优美、社会文明”的基本现代化地区。

苏州既有园林之美，又有山水之胜。寺观名刹，遍布城乡；文物古迹，交相辉映。加以文人墨客题咏铭记，作画书联，更使之名扬中外。灵岩、天平、洞庭东山西山、邓尉、虞山、玉山等处，都是天然的风光胜地。古镇周庄和苏州乐园、太湖乐园等现代旅游设施业也吸引了众多海内外游客。苏州现建有戏曲、民俗、碑刻、丝绸、苏绣、钱币、园林、佛教等 10 个博物馆，已成为旅游新热点。另有工艺美术博物馆正在筹建之中。

Preliminary programme

11月12日 星期三	11月13日 星期四		11月14日 星期五		11月15日 星期六		11月16日 星期日	
COA 会议注册 (08:00- 20:00)	基础学术会 议 (08:00- 12:00)	07:30- 08:30	教程 1-8		教程 1-8		教程 1-8	
		08:30- 10:20	脊柱 1-2、创伤、关节、关节镜、骨 肿瘤、足踝、国际会场	脊柱 1-2、创伤、关节、关节镜、骨肿 瘤、骨质疏松、护理、国际会场	脊柱 1-2、创伤、关节、关节镜、骨 肿瘤、足踝、国际会场			
		10:20- 10:30	茶歇					
		10:30- 12:00	脊柱 1-2、创伤、关节、关节镜、骨 肿瘤、足踝、国际会场	脊柱 1-2、创伤、关节、关节镜、骨肿 瘤、骨质疏松、护理、国际会场	脊柱 1-2、创伤、关节、关节镜、骨 肿瘤、足踝、国际会场 闭幕式			
		午餐(12:00- 13:30)	12:25- 13:25	卫星会/午餐				
		基础学术 会议注册 (13:00-	基础学术会 议 (13:30-	13:30-	脊柱 1-2、创伤、关节、关节镜、骨 肿瘤、足踝、国际会场	脊柱 1-2、创伤、关节、关节镜、骨肿 瘤、骨质疏松、护理、国际会场		
15:20								
15:20-	茶歇							

20:00)	17:30)	15:30		
		15:30-17:30	脊柱 1-2、创伤、关节、关节镜、骨肿瘤、足踝、国际会场	脊柱 1-2、创伤、关节、关节镜、骨肿瘤、骨质疏松、护理、国际会场
	COA 开幕式	17:30-18:30		卫星会
		18:30-20:30	晚餐	晚餐
注：此初步日程一览表仅供参考，具体安排请参考会议网站。				

Hotel

Information not yet available.

Transport

There is no international airport at Suzhou. Recommended to fly to Shanghai. Hongqiao Airport (SHA) is 86 kilometers (about 53 miles) away from Suzhou. Every day shuttle buses run between SHA and Suzhou. The whole journey takes about one hour and forty minutes.

Useful websites

<http://www.travelchinaguide.com/cityguides/suzhou.htm>
<http://zh.wikipedia.org/wiki/%E8%8B%8F%E5%B7%9E>
<http://baike.baidu.com/view/2239.htm>
 Map -- <http://www.map512.cn/szmap/index.jsp>
 3D map -- <http://suzhou.edushi.com/>
<http://www.51766.com/DestinationGuides/1003205/>
<http://www.aroundsuzhou.com/>
<http://wikitravel.org/en/Suzhou>
<http://suzhou.jiangsu.net/>
<http://www.chinahighlights.com/suzhou/map.htm>
<http://www.chinats.com/suzhou/>