GENERAL INFORMATION

DATE
September 10 – 12, 2012

VENUE
Keio Plaza Hotel Tokyo
2-2-1 Nishi-Shinjuku, Shinjuku-Ku, Tokyo
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OFFICIAL LANGUAGE
English

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION
Further information will be provided through our website.

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INVITATION

Dear Members and Colleagues,

On behalf of the organizing committee of the Asia Pacific Stroke Conference (APSC) 2012, I am greatly honored to be able to host the APSC 2012 in Tokyo.

Considering the fact that more than 40 percent of the world's population as well as stroke patients are concentrated in Asia, stroke burden is so huge for us Asians.

As you know, Asia is a melting pot of cultures, and both culture and medical expertise vary widely from country to country. I believe that our mission is to fully understand such a complicated situation before joining hands in tackling the prevention and treatment of stroke as researchers working on the disease.

As there are certain trends for or causes of stroke that are recognized to be specific to Asians, we need to unite in order to promote research on those issues as well.

Team medicine is a given in treating stroke; it is thus desired that doctors, nurses, and all other occupations concerned to stroke management form a stroke team to provide medical care. I am hoping that not only doctors but also those involved in stroke management from all fields will take part in this conference and participate in open discussions.

As you all know, Japan was hit by an unprecedented disaster on March 11, 2011. The Tohoku region is desperately struggling to recover from the Great East Japan Earthquake and Tsunami right now. On the one hand, we have received warm support from all over the world. I would like to take this opportunity to assure you that Japan is safe, and will continue to send accurate information so that people in the global community may be able to know the truth about Japan.

Asia Pacific Stroke Organization (APSO), which is a local organization of the World Stroke Organization (WSO), holds an APSC in one country in Asia every year. We will continue to work together in providing the world with a variety of programs, such as clinical studies originating in Asia.

Finally, the venue of APSC 2012 is Shinjuku, the most attractive center in Tokyo, where there are numerous shops, restaurants, and entertainments. We look forward to welcoming you in Shinjuku, a town that very much symbolizes Asia's diversity.

Yours sincerely,

Shinichiro Uchiyama
Chair
Asia Pacific Stroke Conference 2012, Professor and Chairman
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PRELIMINARY PROGRAM (TENTATIVE)

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ACCOMODATION

There are a number of hotels ranging from luxurious first-class to moderately priced within walking distance of the congress site, Keio Plaza Hotel. Further information will be provided in the 2nd circular.

TRANSPORTATION GUIDE

Keio Plaza Hotel is located at the heart of Tokyo, Shinjuku area. Shinjuku is the biggest terminal station and connected to all areas in Tokyo through various train and subway lines. From Narita Airport, Narita Express train and Limousine bus are available, travel time will be approximately 80-90 minutes. From Haneda airport, Limousine bus is the easiest and the fastest way, approximately 50 minutes to travel.