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With just 50 days until the week of the 19th Congress of the EAHP in Barcelona, Congress organisers are delighted to publish the full schedule of keynote speakers, workshops, symposiums and satellite events. And with just days remaining until the early Congress registration fee deadline closes, EAHP is urging hospital pharmacists not to miss the chance of obtaining a discount!

The 19th Congress of the EAHP takes as its theme: “*The innovative hospital pharmacist – imagination, skills and organization*” with keynote speakers reflecting on the drivers of innovation, the profile of the hospital pharmacist in 2020, and knowledge management in times of information overload.

Hot topics in the programme of seminars and workshops include: medicines shortages; the re-engineering of drug preparation services; interpretation of pharmacoeconomic studies; and the hospital pharmacist’s role in clinical trials and ethics committees. The 2014 Synergy satellite, supported by an educational grant from Bayer Healthcare, will focus on the use of anticoagulants. Meanwhile a special workshop, supported by Pfizer, will investigate “Leadership, advocacy and communication for today’s hospital pharmacist”. A brand new section of the Congress will also open in Barcelona, entitled ‘Good Practice Initiatives’, highlighting transferrable examples of practical improvement made by colleague hospital pharmacists across Europe.

Congress organiser, and EAHP Chief Operating Officer, Jennie De Greef said:

“The 19th Congress of the EAHP will see the delivery of our largest ever programme of educational events! EAHP’s Scientific Committee has worked throughout the past year to ensure there is something for every hospital pharmacist: from those newly entered the profession, to those with long years of experience; from those coming from highly developed

health systems, to those ambitious to break new ground.

We're always attentive as well to the need to help hospital pharmacists in terms of registration for our Congress, which is why I want to send a message of personal encouragement to all with an interest in attending to make sure they complete the registration process before the 1st February, and benefit from the early registration fee!

We thank again our Platinum partners, Amgen and Bayer and Corporate partner, Pfizer for their support.

Barcelona is a lively Mediterranean city that's always a pleasure to visit, and we look forward to giving a warm welcome to hospital pharmacists from across the world in just a few weeks time!

MEMBERS OF THE MEDIA ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE CONGRESS, THE PRESS CONFERENCE ON WEDNESDAY 26th MARCH, AND ALL CONGRESS SESSIONS.

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NOTES TO EDITORS:

1. The European Association of Hospital Pharmacists (EAHP) is an association of national organisations across 34 countries representing hospital pharmacists at European and international levels. More information about the EAHP and its history [here](#). ^[2]
2. The highlight of EAHP's educational calendar every year is its annual Congress. The full programme of educational content is available [here](#) ^[3].
3. Details about registration for the Congress are available [here](#) ^[4]. Individuals should register **BEFORE** 1 February 2014 to obtain discount on the full registration fee.
4. In the first keynote speech on Wednesday 26th March, Professor Dan Crommelin will speak about "***Innovation and hospital pharmacy: scientific and societal drivers***" ^[5]. The second keynote speech on Thursday 27th March by Dr Roberto Frontini focuses on "***The hospital pharmacist in 2020: a changed profile***" ^[6]. The final keynote speech will be given by Dr Graham Walton on the topic: "***Knowledge management in times of information overload***" ^[7]
5. Medicines shortages are growing problem for hospital pharmacists across Europe, as described in a recent pan-European survey of hospital pharmacists conducted by EAHP. Details available [here](#) ^[8]. For this reason the seminar on medicines shortage is scheduled to be a popular and inviting topic for professional discussion. Details [here](#) ^[9].
6. Synergy Satellites are accredited high level sessions developed and managed by the EAHP Scientific Committee and supported by industry grants. The Synergy programme is based on a needs assessment conducted by the scientific committee and attending participants may obtain continuing education points. Now in its second year of operation as a Congress Programme item, the 2014 event focuses on "Anticoagulants-a matter of heart! Towards a bright future" and has been kindly supported by an educational

grant from Bayer Healthcare. Details [here](#) [10].

7. 'Good Practice Initiatives' is a new session of the Congress aimed at helping hospital pharmacists gain insights into not only 'what' improvements in practice they consider bringing back to their hospital after Congress, but also 'how' to achieve them. Presenters will share the process of improvement they embarked upon and answer questions from the audience around the transferability of their initiatives to elsewhere. Further details [here](#) [11].

8. The Congress press conference takes place on Wednesday 26th March 2014 at 0800am in Room 123 of the Centre de Convencions Internacional de Barcelona (CCIB). To register your attendance please contact [sandra.teixeira\[at\]eahp\[dot\]eu](mailto:sandra.teixeira@eahp.eu) [12]. Further details [here](#) [13].

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