General Information
Official language will be English

Venue: The Congress will take place in the Monte S. Angelo University Campus, a large and comfortable Congress Centre, not far from the city centre. Opening Ceremony and Welcome Dinner will take place in the garden of the San Carlo Royal Theatre.

Registration Info
More information about the meeting can be find at www.icnmd2010naples.org

Registration fees
Active participants:
• Payment received by February 28, 2010: € 600
• Payment received after February 28, 2010: € 750
Accompanying persons:
• Payment received by February 28, 2010: € 220
• Payment received after February 28, 2010: € 220
Persons under 35 years of age:
• Payment received by February 28 2010: € 320
• Payment received after February 28, 2010: € 700

Deadlines
• Deadline for submission of Abstract January 18th 2010
• Deadline for low fee February 28th 2010
• Deadline for Late Breaking News April 30th 2010

Climate
The climate in Naples in July is usually sunny, with average temperatures varying between 25 and 30°C.

Naples Environs
Capri, Ischia, Sorrento, Amalfi, Pompei, Ercolano, Vesuvius, Caserta, Positano, Campi Flegrei

Information
Congrex Sweden, a professional congress organizer, has been appointed the official Congress agency for registration, accommodation, reservations and excursions. Please contact Congrex Sweden for any information concerning the Congress.

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Opening Ceremony
Saturday, 17 July 2010, at 6,30 p.m. (Garden of the San Carlo Royal Theatre)
Chairs: Johan Aarl, Gerard Said, Gioacchino Tedeschi

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Honorary Lectures
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Plenary Lecture Speakers
• Corrado Angelini, University of Padua, Padua, IT
• Stanley Appel, The Methodist Hospital, Houston, TX, USA
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• Kate Bushby, University of Newcastle, Newcastle, UK
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• Michael Shy, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI, USA
• Charles Thornton, University of Rochester, Rochester, NY, USA
• Pieter Van Doorn, University Hospital, Rotterdam, NL
• Angela Vincent, University of Oxford, Oxford, UK

Symposia
• Muscular dystrophies: State of the art in diagnosis
• Recent advances in genetics and therapeutics in myotonic dystrophy
• Animal and cell models to define mechanisms in myotonic dystrophy
• Gene therapy for muscular dystrophies
• Perspectives of RNA modulation for treatment of neuromuscular diseases
• Update on muscle lipid diseases
• Update on muscle glycogenoses: emerging phenotypes and molecular characterization
• Muscle weakness in aging: multi-factorial causes and possible treatments
• Inclusion-body myositis (s-IBM)
• Hereditary inclusion-body myopathies (h-IBM)
• Mitochondrial encephalo-myo-pathies: epidemiology, pathogenesis and treatment
• Mitochondrial medicine
• Myasthenic syndromes. Epidemiology and treatment
• Novel target and treatments at the NMJ
• Pathogenic mechanisms of inherited neuropathies
• Pathogenic mechanisms of acquired neuropathies
• ALS: lessons from SOD1 animal models
• ALS: genetic studies and fronto-temporal dementia
• SMA: recent advances in clinical trials
• Basic mechanisms in SMA
• New therapies in muscle channelopathies
• Congenital myopathies: mechanisms, clinical features, genetics, therapy
• Outcome measures in neuromuscular diseases
• Exercise therapy in neuromuscular conditions
• Friedreich ataxia and hereditary spastic paraplegias
• Cardiomyopathies (in memory of Ketty Schwartz)
• Veterinary myology
• Animal models for neuromuscular diseases

“Meet The Professor” Sessions
• Pediatric Neuromuscular Diseases: V Dubowitz, C Minetti, F Muntoni, H Topolglu, T Voit
• Limb-Girdle Syndromes: C Angelini, K Bushby, M de Visser, V Nigo, L Politano
• Immunomodulated Disorders and Immunosuppression: V Askanas, M Dalakas, AG Engel, WK Engel, E Nobile Orazio
• Inherited Neuropathies: I Hausmanowa-Petrusewicz, G Di Iorio, B Kakulas, M Shy, G Vita
• Veterinary Myology: J Howell, S Blot, S Papparella, D Shelton, S Valberg.
• Muscle Pathology: WK Engel, V Dubowitz, AG Engel, A Oldfors, C Sewry, M Fardeau, V Askanas.
• Cardiac and Respiratory Involvement in NMDs: G Nigo, E Arbustini, J Bourke, D Duboc, S Iannaccone, L Politano.

Teaching Courses
Organizer: A. Toscano, President of the Italian Association of Myology (antonio.toscano@uni.me.it)

WANDA ICNMD Plenary Session (Wednesday, 21 July 2010)
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