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Jerome D. Waye President of ICE 2011

WORLD ENDOSCOPY WILL HOST A CELEBRATION OF ITS 50TH ANNIVERSARY

Ten surgical and medical organizations deeply involved in the specialty of endoscopy have joined together to commemorate the beginning of endoscopy as a separate specialty of medicine for this International Congress of Endoscopy.

Endoscopy cuts across the borders of medicine, surgery, pathology, pediatrics, geriatrics, nutrition, and radiology. Endoscopy is the motor that drives gastroenterology and surgical, endoscopy is one of the most rapidly growing fields in medicine.

This era of cooperation between surgeons and gastroenterologists is bringing these large specialties into closer relations.

We are standing on the threshold of huge changes in the field of endoscopy and we will show to the world the tremendous strides that have been made in endoscopy and let everybody know what we have accomplished, where we have been, and where we are going in the future.

ICE 2011 will have a strong scientific program providing multiple interactions, involving all constituents of the endoscopic community. There are planned meetings, symposia, state of the art lectures and live sessions by experts from various parts of the world, who will telecast advances in endoscopy, advances in surgery, and the state of combined approaches to gastro-intestinal diseases.

We invite you to join us in this celebration to learn, participate and meet colleagues who are making advances for better patient care through endoscopy.

Jerome D. Waye, MD President of ICE 2011

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WELCOME ADDRESS SCIENTIFIC CHAIRS



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Dear Colleagues,

The ICE 2011 scientific program contains multiple universally disease-based and multi-disciplinary sessions of varied formats. The three-day program includes over 40 topic block sessions with internationally recognized gastroenterologists and surgeons animating and providing their knowledge and experience.

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Each topic block session will include cutting edge presentations, highlighting, concurring, comparing and contrasting endoscopic and surgical alternatives for a multitude of disease processes of the entire gastrointestinal tract.

Meet-the-Professor breakfast sessions, evening video forums, and satellite symposia amply complete this platform of expertise over the three days. The Learning Center will include enduring library endoscopic and surgical videos, as well as hands-on stations.

Finally, one of the highlights of the overall ICE 2011 program will be the live demonstration sessions where international experts will perform simple and advanced endoscopic and surgical procedures for common as well as complex gastrointestinal diseases.

We are looking forward to seeing you in L.A.

Sincerely,

Jeffrey M. Marks M.D., Head of ICE 2011 Scientific Committee Abe Fingerhut MD, FACS, FRCPS (g), FRCS (Ed) Robert H. Hawes *M.D.* Roque Sáenz *M.D.*

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CONGRESS HIGHLIGHTS

WHAT MAKES ICE 2011 UNIQUE?

ICE 2011 is a unique, international congress designed to bring together for the first time the leaders in both medical gastrointestinal endoscopy and surgical endoscopy including laparoscopy.

The 10 member consortium that is constructing this one time meeting joins together for the first time the leading medical and surgical societies from the world. Never before have this cross section of multiple societies interested in gastrointestinal endoscopy come together to teach, to learn and to explore the whole subject that is encompassed in the field of endoscopy.

This meeting will differ from all other meetings e.g. NOTES[®] Congresses, UEGW, DDW, and international surgical meetings because surgical endoscopists and medical endoscopists along with their nursing staffs will work side by side to present not only the techniques of performing the procedures but will also discuss the wide scope of surgical and medical endoscopic alternatives for management of varied gastrointestinal diseases.

The focus will be on different facets of surgical and medical endoscopy including management/avoidance of complications, emerging technologies, and innovative uses of existing technologies that cross boundaries between these groups.

SCIENTIFIC HIGHLIGHTS

€	Live therapeutic endoscopy and advanced laparoscopy
•	Surgical and medical Learning Center with hands-on stations
	Looking to the future of endoscopy and laparoscopy
€	Demonstration of robotic endoscopy
	Videos of developing procedures described by the presenter
€	"Meet-the-Professor" sessions
•	Topic Block sessions with medical and surgical speakers comparing/contrasting treatment options
	Evening Video Forum sessions



TOPIC BLOCKS

Parallel sessions with a specific disease focus will take place providing input from both surgical and medical endoscopic experts.

Topic Block sessions will either be structured to begin with accepted abstract submission presentations on the specific topic, followed by invited speakers comparing and contrasting medical and surgical options and concluded by a State-of-the-Art presentation given by a keynote speaker summarizing the components of that specific topic; Or the session will be a GI/Surgery debate with lectures from medical and surgical experts.

LIVE DEMONSTRATION SESSIONS

Diagnostic and therapeutic procedures will be performed at one of the outstanding medical and surgical endoscopic centers in Los Angeles, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, with transmission directly to the main auditorium of the Los Angeles Convention Center.

Emerging technological advances will be demonstrated with emphasis on new and advanced therapeutic techniques. Diseases to be addressed by surgical and endoscopic means will include pancreatic pseudocysts, achalasia, ampullary neoplasms, large common bile duct stones, and sessile colon neoplasia.

For further details please see page 17.

MEET-THE-PROFESSOR SESSIONS

Meet-the-Professor breakfast sessions, based on a specific topic of focused interest, will take place in a small group format with an opportunity for direct interaction with both medical endoscopic and surgical endoscopic experts.

These sessions, which require an additional attendance fee, will take place each morning prior to the actual meeting and will be filled on a first come, first serve basis.

For further details please see page 17.

POSTER SESSIONS

Authors present new research findings or the latest in their ongoing research as posters during these 90 minute sessions. These sessions offer an effective forum for the exchange of information and a means to communicate ideas, research, and programs. Posters are grouped by topics for the convenience of those attending the sessions.

VIDEO FORUMS

Medical / Surgical Video Forums will be constructed by selecting outstanding video abstracts that are topic related. It is expected that the broad fields of diagnostic and therapeutic endoscopy and laparoscopy will be reviewed with high quality video projections submitted by the registered participants and supplemented by Faculty prepared video materials. Emphasis will be given to "how to" and the ancillary needs to perform common and advanced endoscopic procedures.

A wide range of indications encompassing screening, diagnosis, cancer staging and therapy will be covered. Time will be allotted for audience questions and comments with the faculty participants. Select sessions will have a direct focus on different facets of endoscopic surgery including management/avoidance of complications, emerging technologies, and innovative uses of existing technologies.

LEARNING CENTER

The Congress will provide a large, well-equipped Learning Center to emphasize the fundamental changes in the practice of flexible and rigid endoscopy. The Learning Center will include self-controlled video stations. These will include the ASGE video and SAGES video enduring materials, as well as selected submitted videos.

The interactive or "hands-on" stations of the Learning Center showing the latest advances along with all available accessory equipment. These stations will be disease and technique based for both rigid and flexible endoscopy. Experts in various medical and surgical procedures will have scheduled sessions to provide pointers to attendees.

INDUSTRY SPONSORED SATELLITE SYMPOSIA

The Industry will organize and execute Satellite Symposia which are scheduled on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday in the morning (Breakfast Satellite Symposia) and on Monday and Tuesday in the evening (Evening Satellite Symposia). The titles and topics will be published on the congress website.

Industry sponsored Satellite Symposia are not accredited for CME by SAGES.

PRELIMINARY SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM SCHEDULE

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 12, 2011	TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 13, 2011	WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 14, 2011	
6:30 – 8:00 am → Meet-the-Professor Sessions → Breakfast Satellite Symposia	6:30 – 8:00 am → Meet-the-Professor Sessions → Breakfast Satellite Symposia	6:30 – 8:00 am → Meet-the-Professor Sessions → Breakfast Satellite Symposia	
8:15 – 9:30 am Topic Blocks 1 – 5	8:15 – 9:30 am Topic Blocks 18 – 22	8:15 – 9:30 am Topic Blocks 23 – 27	
9:30 – 10:00 am Coffee Break in Exhibition Area	9:30 – 10:00 am Coffee Break in Exhibition Area	9:30 – 10:00 am Coffee Break in Exhibition Area	
10:00 – 11:15 am Topic Blocks 6 – 9	10:00 – 12:15 am Live Demonstration Session 1	10:00 – 11:15 am Topic Blocks 28 – 31	
11:30 – 12:45 pm Topic Blocks 10 – 13		11:30 – 12:45 pm Topic Blocks 32 – 34	
	12:15 – 1:45 pm		
 12:45 – 2:30 pm → Exhibition → Combined Medical-Surgical Learning Center 	 → Exhibition → Combined Medical-Surgical Learning Center → Poster Sessions 	 12:45 – 2:00 pm → Exhibition → Combined Medical-Surgical Learning Center 	
→ Poster Sessions	1:45 – 2:45 pm	→ Poster Sessions	
2:30 – 3:45 pm Topic Blocks 14 – 17	Plenary Session: History and Future of Endoscopy and Laparoscopy	2:00 – 3:15 pm Topic Blocks 35 – 38	
	3:00 – 5:00 pm		
4:00 – 6:00 pm	Live Demonstration Session 2	3:30 – 4:45 pm Topic Blocks 39 – 42	
Opening Ceremony & Welcome Reception	5:00 – 5:30 pm Coffee Break in Exhibition Area	5:00 – 5:30 pm Closing Ceremony	
6:00 – 8:00 pm → Video Forum 1	5:30 – 7:30 pm → Video Forum 2 → Evening Satellite Symposia		
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PROGRAM DETAILS TOPIC BLOCK SESSIONS ♥ MON

SMONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2011

Topic Block 1 ● 8:15-9:30 am

Management of malignant gastric outlet obstruction

- Chairs: Carlo Fallone, Canada / Blair Jobe, USA
- → Endoscopic stenting outcomes and QOL Horst Neuhaus, Germany*
- → Surgical palliation for malignant gastric outlet obstruction – outcome and QOL
 - Brian Dunkin, USA
- → Endoscopic dual stenting. Indications and techniques for gastroduodenal plus biliary stenting Paolo Sakai, Brazil
- → New alternatives for malignant gastric outlet obstruction-NOTES[®], magnetic gastroenteric anastamosis, ablation Gregory Ginsberg, USA

Topic Block 2 ● 8:15-9:30 am

Management of the difficult colon polyp

Chairs: Michio Kaminishi, Japan / Jerome Waye, USA

- → Examining colon polyps making the right diagnosis Shin-ei Kudo, Japan
- → I prefer piecemeal polypectomy to ESD Michael Bourke, Australia
- → I prefer ESD to piecemeal polypectomy Naohisa Yahaqi, Japan
- → When, where, and how does surgery fit into the algorithm? Conor Delaney, USA

Topic Block 3 ● 8:15-9:30 am

Primary surgical bariatric procedures

Chairs: Michel Gagner, Canada / Robert Hawes, USA

- → Ideal patient for lap band Simon Msika, France
- → Ideal patient for sleeve gastrectomy *Ricardo Zorron, Brazil*
- → Ideal patient for duodenal switch Michel Gagner, Canada
- → Ideal patient for gastric bypass Ninh Tuan Nguyen, USA
- → Evidence based medicine comparative outcomes for surgical bariatric procedures Daniel Scott, USA

Topic Block 4 ● 8:15–9:30 am

Management of bile duct stones

Chairs: David Carr-Locke, USA / Abe Fingerhut, France

- → Techniques and outcomes for management of bile duct stones during lap chole – is it still relevant? Abe Fingerhut, France
- → ERCP techniques and outcomes for management of difficult bile duct stones tba
- → Evidence based approach to management of bile duct stones with GB in situ
- Joe Romagnuolo, USA
- → East meets West: Balloon sphincteroplasty or sphincterotomy for bile duct stones: West David Carr-Locke, USA
- → East meets West: Balloon sphincteroplasty or sphincterotomy for bile duct stones: East Dong-Wan Seo, Republic of Korea

Topic Block 5 ● 8:15-9:30 am

Management of pancreatic necrosis – evolution from surgery to endoscopy?

Chairs: Steven Schwaitzberg, USA / Alberto Montori, Italy

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- → Endoscopic techniques and outcomes in pancreatic necrosis Shyam Varadarajulu, USA
- → Surgical techniques and outcomes Jose Schiappa, Portugal
- → New techniques for debridment Claudio Navarrette, Chile
- → Optimal multidisciplinary approach? Jakob Izbicki, Germany

Topic Block 6 ● 10:00-11:15 am

Management of early rectal cancer

Chairs: Antonio Lacy, Spain / MinHua Zheng, China

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- → The therapeutic strategy for an early rectal cancer MinHua Zheng, China
- → Laparoscopic approach to early rectal cancer Antonio Lacy, Spain
- → Surgery, endoanal approach, and reconstruction Michael K. W. Li, Hong Kong SAR, China
- → Local radiotherapy or neoadjuvant therapy for early rectal cancer?

Conor Delaney, USA

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Topic Block 7 ● 10:00-11:15 am

Management/surveillance of nondysplastic/dysplastic Barretts Esophagus

Chairs: Anthony Axon, UK / Roque Sáenz, Chile

- → Classification and imaging in Barretts Esophagus
- tba
- → Endoscopic surveillance, how and how long? Amitabh Chak, USA
- → Preventive ablation: Does it work? Jeffrey Hagen, USA*
- → Surgical treatment: Indications and outcome Lee L. Swanstrom, USA

Topic Block 8 ● 10:00-11:15 am

Update on Natural Orifice Translumenal Endoscopic Surgery

Chair: Seigo Kitano, Japan

- → NOTES[®] applications in 2011 North American Experience Michael Kochman, USA
- → NOTES[®] applications in 2011 South American Experience *Ricardo Zorron, Brazil*
- → NOTES[®] applications in 2011 Asian Experience Kazuki Sumiyama, Japan
- → NOTES[®] applications in 2011 European Experience Paul Swain, UK
- → Endoluminal versus translumenal surgery David Rattner, USA

Topic Block 9 ● 10:00-11:15 am

Post ERCP complications

Chairs: Robert Hawes, USA / Samuel Shuchleib, Mexico

- → Prevention of post ERCP pancreatitis Jean-Marc Dumonceau, Switzerland
- → Extra-lumenal air after sphincterotomy what now? Jeffrey Marks, USA
- → Post sphincterotomy bleeding management options Richard Kozarek, USA

Topic Block 10 ● 11:30-12:45 pm

Early gastric neoplasia

Chairs: Seigo Kitano, Japan / Michio Kaminishi, Japan

- → The diagnostic challenge in identifying early gastric cancer Hisao Tajiri, Japan
- → Endoscopic management of early gastric cancer-indications, complications, and new tools for treatment Naohisa Yahagi, Japan
- → Surgery versus ESD for Early Gastric Neoplasia? Seigo Kitano, Japan
- → Western perspective on ESD Horst Neuhaus, Germany

Topic Block 11 ● 11:30-12:45 pm

Update on diagnosis/management of inflammatory bowel disease

- Chairs: Jose Schiappa, Portugal / Barry Salky, USA
- → Imaging in IBD
- Eric Vasiliauskas, USA* → Ileal Crohn's disease: Surgery or medical treatment? Roberto Bergamaschi, USA
- → New medical alternatives to surgery? Stephen Targan, USA*
- → Crohn's disease: A good indication for laparoscopic surgery? Tonia Young-Fadok, USA
- → Future of genetic testing for inflammatory bowel disease Eric Vasiliauskas, USA*

Topic Block 12 ● 11:30-12:45 pm

Primary endoscopic bariatric procedures

Chairs: Ninh Tuan Nguyen, USA / Christopher Thompson, USA

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- → Intraluminal sleeves Paul Swain, UK
- → Space occupying devices Claudio Navarrette, Chile
- → Stapling restrictive procedures tba
- → Suturing restrictive procedures Christopher Thompson, USA
- → Gastric neuromodulation Edward Phillips, USA

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Topic Block 13 ● 11:30-12:45 pm

Role of fellowships and simulators in endoscopic/surgical training

Chairs: Lawrence Ho, Singapore / John Mellinger, USA

- → Present/future status of MIS fellowships John Mellinger, USA
- → Present/future status of advanced GI fellowships Amitabh Chak, USA
- → Role of simulators in laparoscopic training Gerald Fried, Canada
- → Role of simulators in endoscopic training Brian Dunkin, USA

Topic Block 14 ● 2:30-3:45 pm

Management of (non variceal) UGI bleeding

Chairs: Ron Bridges, Canada / Carlo Fallone, Canada

- → Prognostic criteria & Triage Joseph Sung, Hong Kong SAR, China
- → Endoscopic techniques for management of non variceal bleeding

Dennis Jensen, USA

- → Interventional radiology techniques for management of UGI bleeding when to intervene David Prologo, USA
- → When endoscopy and IR fail surgical intervention for UGI bleeding

Mousa Khoursheed, Kuwait

→ Overview: Outcomes of management techniques for nonvariceal UGI bleeding Alan Barkun, Canada

Management of obstructing colonic neoplasia

Chairs: Anthony Axon, UK / Barry Salky, USA

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- → Colonic stenting: Techniques and complications? Paolo Sakai, Brazil
- → Is there still a role for bridging to surgery? Jose María Bordas, Spain
- → Indications for surgical intervention without stenting Tonia Young-Fadok, USA

Topic Block 16 ● 2:30-3:45 pm

Management of Achalasia

Chairs: Haru Inoue, Japan / Eduardo Targarona, Spain

→ Evidence based medicine: Results of endoscopic treatments of achalasia

Steven Schwaitzberg, USA

- → Controversies around current laparoscopic treatment Eduardo Targarona, Spain
- → Management of treatment failures: Algorithm and timing for further intervention Marco Patti, USA
- → POEM: The new endoluminal approach to achalasia Haru Inoue, Japan

Topic Block 17 2:30−3:45 pm

Update on single site surgery

- Chairs: Leandro Totti Cavvazolo, Brazil / Kiyokazu Nakajima, Japan
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- → Tool box for single site surgery Todd Ponsky, USA
- → Applications in GI surgery Luigi Boni, Italy
- → Outcome data comparing single site surgery versus standard laparoscopy

Dimitris Tsakayannis, USA

→ Update on reduced port surgery Paul Curcillo, USA

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STUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2011

Topic Block 18 ● 8:15-9:30 am

Management of GIST

Chairs: Douglas Faigel, USA / Gerald Fried, Canada

→ Identification of a GIST preoperatively-endoscopic, radiologic, and cytopathologic techniques Douglas Faigel, USA

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- → Endoscopical removal of GIST-limitations to this technique Kazuki Sumiyama, Japan
- → Surgical approach to GIST Gerald Fried, Canada
- → Medical therapy and surveillance for GIST Michael Kochman, USA

Topic Block 19 ● 8:15–9:30 am

Management of esophageal fistulae

Chairs: Roque Sáenz, Chile / George Hanna, UK

- → Spontaneous non malignant esophageal fistula: Etiology and decision making Luigi Bonavina, Italy
- → Malignant esophageal fistula Luigi Bonavina, Italy
- Postsurgical esophageal fistula: How to detect and when to stent?

Takeshi Sano, Japan

→ Postsurgical esophageal fistula: When to operate? George Hanna, UK

Topic Block 20 ● 8:15-9:30 am

Identification and management of occult small bowel bleeding

- Chairs: James Lau, Hong Kong SAR, China / Michael Bourke, Australia
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→ Capsule endoscopy

- Jean-Francois Rey, France
- → Enteroscopy Hironori Yamamoto, Japan
- → Role of surgical management Michael Li, Hong Kong SAR, China
- → Future of endoluminal small bowel diagnosis and therapy tba

Topic Block 21 ● 8:15-9:30 am

What are our goals with bariatric procedures? Chairs: Michel Gagner, Canada / Natan Zundel, USA

- → Medical management of morbid obesity does it work? Natan Zundel, USA*
- → What does the FDA want and expect of interventions for morbid obesity? Daniel Scott, USA
- → Is the overall goal of bariatric procedures weight reduction or resolution of co-morbidities? Michel Gagner, Canada

Topic Block 22 ● 8:15-9:30 am

Optimal management of pseudocysts

Chairs: Katherine Morgan, USA / Shyam Varadarajulu, USA

- → Endoscopic techniques
- Shyam Varadarajulu, USA → Surgical techniques
- Dirk Gouma, The Netherlands
- → An unbiased look at outcomes John Martin, USA

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SWEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 2011

Topic Block 23 ● 8:15-9:30 am

Identification and management of lower GI bleeding Chairs: Shin-ei Kudo, Japan / John Petrini, USA

- → Diagnostic colonoscopy when and how? John Petrini, USA
- → Radiological approach. At the very beginning or later on? David Prologo, USA
- → Endoscopic Haemostatic procedures for lower GI bleeding Dennis Jensen, USA
- → Massive lower bleeding. The surgical solution. Tricks of the trade

Parul Shukla, India

Gastroesophageal Reflux Disease Chairs: Robert Hawes, USA / Luigi Boni, Italy

- → Medical treatment update
- → The Esophyx procedure Blair Jobe, USA
- → The Linx procedure Luigi Bonavina, Italy
- → Laparoscopic fundoplication is there a standard procedure? Marco Patti, USA
- → Mesh at the Hiatus: Good or bad idea? tba

Topic Block 25 ● 8:15-9:30 am

Managing complications of obesity surgery

Chairs: Christopher Gostout, USA / Ninh Tuan Nguyen, USA

→ "Common" and "uncommon" complications of surgical bariatric procedures Ninh Tuan Nguyen, USA

Surgical options for manager

- → Surgical options for management of complications Natan Zundel, USA
- → Endoscopic management of complications Christopher Gostout, USA
- → Medical complications of obesity surgery Mousa Khoursheed, Kuwait

Topic Block 26 ● 8:15-9:30 am

Emerging technologies for advanced endoscopic therapies

Chairs: Haru Inoue, Japan / Alberto Montori, Italy

- → Endoscopic suturing devices Kazuki Sumiyama, Japan
- → Advanced endoscopes and endoscopic platforms Kiyokazu Nakajima, Japan
- → Advanced imaging technologies Haru Inoue, japan
- → Emerging technologies and techniques in Reduced Port Surgery?

Paul Curcillo, USA

Topic Block 27 ● 8:15-9:30 am

Management of chronic pancreatitis

Chairs: Jakob Izbicki, Germany / Dimitris Tsakayannis, USA

- → Endoscopic techniques and outcomes David Carr-Locke, USA
- → Surgical techniques and outcomes Dirk Gouma, The Netherlands
- Unbiased review of comparative studies operate or endoscope?

Matthew Walsh, USA

→ The emerging role of islet cell transplantation – when to employ in chronic pancreatitis? Katherine Morgan, USA

Topic Block 28 ● 10:00-11:15 am

Management of gastroparesis

Chairs: Fredrick Brody, USA / Melvin Schapiro, USA

- → Gastroparesis-presentation, etiology, and diagnosis tba
- → Outcomes of gastric electric stimulation Scott Cunneen, USA*
- → Endoscopic management of refractory gastroparesis: Gastric and jejunal tubes, botox *Mark DeLegge, USA*
- → Surgical alternatives for gastroparesis Simon Msika, France

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Topic Block 29 ● 10:00-11:15 am

Management of patient with recurrent/chronic small bowel obstruction

Chairs: Eduardo Targarona, Spain / Parul Shukla, India

- → Diagnostic and therapeutic role of water-soluble contrast agent in adhesive small bowel obstruction Fausto Catena, Italy
- → Obstruction secondary to radiation enteritis Roberto Bergamaschi, USA
- → Obstruction and primary small bowel carcinoma Mousa Khoursheed, Kuwait
- → The frozen abdomen with carcinomatosis: What to do? Parul Shukla, India

Topic Block 30 ● 10:00-11:15 am

Secondary obesity procedures

Chairs: Mario Morino, Italy / Sergio Roll, Brazil

- → What is a bariatric procedure failure? Sergio Roll, Brazil
- → Surgical revision of failed obesity procedures Mario Morino, Italy
- → Endoscopic therapies for failed obesity procedures Christopher Thompson, USA

Topic Block 31 ● 10:00-11:15 am

Management of post-operative bile duct strictures

Chairs: John Martin, USA / Jeffrey Barkun, Canada

- → Technique and outcomes for surgical management *Ricardo Rossi, Chile*
- → Technique and outcomes for endoscopic management Kenneth Binmoeller, USA
- Evidence based approach to management of benign biliary strictures

Jeffrey Barkun, Canada

Topic Block 32 ● 11:30-12:45 pm

Update on enteral access

Chairs: Mark DeLegge, USA / Jeffrey Ponsky, USA

- → I saw the light Jeffrey Ponsky, USA
- → When and how to proceed to the jejunal approach Mark DeLegge, USA

- → Interventional radiology access
- David Prologo, USA → When is surgery a better alternative for obtaining enteral access? Todd Ponsky, USA

Todd Ponsky, USA

Topic Block 33 🛛 11:30-12:45 pm

Management of paraesophageal hernias

Chairs: Steven DeMeester, USA / Barry Salky, USA

- → How big is the problem?
- Jose Schiappa, Portugal → Classifications
- Steven DeMeester, USA
- → Management options for recurrence following paraesophageal hernia repair Blair A. Jobe, USA
- → Surgical treatment: What is treatment of choice and should all patients be treated surgically? Marco Patti, USA

Topic Block 34 🛛 11:30-12:45 pm

Management of malignant biliary obstruction

Chairs: Dirk Gouma, The Netherlands / David Rattner, USA

- → Pre-operative imaging determining stage and resectability Lars Aabakken, Norway
- → What is and what is not respectability? Igor Khatkov, Russia
- → Pre-operative biliary drainage is it necessary? Dirk Gouma, The Netherlands
- → Laproscopic versus open Whipple Resection: What are the outcomes and is it worth the effort? Matthew Walsh, USA

Topic Block 35 ● 2:00-3:15 pm

Management of stoma and pouch complications

Chair: Conor Delaney, USA

- → Managing the systemic consequences of stomas Eric Vasiliauskas, USA*
- Indications and techniques for parostomal hernia repair Yuri Novitsky, USA
- → Management and surveillance of Pouchitis Stephen Targan, USA*
- → Indications and complications of stoma reversal Leandro Totti Cavazzola, Brazil

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Accessing the remnant stomach and biliary tree postgastric bypass

Chairs: Lars Aabakken, Norway / Sergio Roll, Brazil

- → Is the remnant stomach a problem waiting to happen?
- Brian Dunkin, USA → Surgical approaches to obtain access to the remnant stomach
- → Surgical approaches to obtain access to the remnant stomach Katherine Morgan, USA*
- → Endoscopic approaches to the remnant stomach Simon Lo, USA

Topic Block 37 ● 2:00-3:15 pm

Management of Ampullary Tumors

Chairs: Jeffrey Ponsky, USA / John Martin, USA

- → Diagnosis and staging Michael Kochman, USA
- → Endoscopic management Kenneth Binmoeller, USA
- → Surgical management Igor Khatkov, Russia
- → Surveillance and management of duodenal polyps in FAP Gregory Ginsberg, USA

Management of pancreatic fistula

Chairs: Ricardo Rossi, Chile / Richard Kozarek, USA

→ Techniques and predictors of success with endoscopic management

Richard Kozarek, USA

- → Feeding patients with pancreatic fistula Mark DeLegge, USA
- → Timing and outcomes for surgery Jakob Izbicki, Germany

Management of endoscopic complications following colonoscopy

Chairs: Jean-Francois Rey, France / Manabu Yamamoto, Japan

- → Colonoscopy complications and quality criteria Jean-Francois Rey, France
- → Is false negative colonoscopy a complication? Joe Romagnuolo, USA

- → Are all perforations created equal. The tailored solutions Jeffrey Marks, USA
- → Lessons from NOTES® Manabu Yamamoto, Japan

Topic Block 40 ● 3:30-4:45 pm

Post-Nissen fundoplication complications

Chairs: Robert Baigrie, South Africa / Steven DeMeester, USA

- → What is considered a surgical failure? Jeffrey Hagen, USA*
- → Surgical failure: Whose fault? Surgeon/patient? Robert Baigrie, South Africa
- → Treatment of post-Nissen complications: Endoscopic treatment Jean-Marc Dumonceau, Switzerland
- → Treatment of post-Nissen complications/failures: Surgery Steven DeMeester, USA

Topic Block 41 ● 3:30-4:45 pm

Role / future of robotics in endoscopic and laparoscopic procedures

Chairs: Roque Sáenz, Chile / Mario Morino, Italy

- → Status of robotics in laparoscopic surgery Mario Morino. Italy
- → Status of robotics for flexible endoscopy Lawrence Ho, Singapore
- → Future expectations for robotic platforms Lee Swanstrom, USA

Topic Block 42 ● 3:30-4:45 pm

Evaluation and management of cystic lesions of the pancreas

Chairs: James Lau, Hong Kong SAR, China / Kenji Yamao, Japan

- → Optimal techniques for evaluation Douglas Faigel, USA
- → Role of EUS FNA in diagnosis and (potential) management of pancreatic cysts Bill Brugge, USA
- → Latest techniques for resection of pancreatic cysts Yuri Novitsky, USA
- → The time for surveillance, the time for surgery when to hold 'em and when to fold 'em? Amitabh Chak, USA

LIVE DEMONSTRATION SESSIONS

Stuesday, September 13, 2011

● 10:00 am-12:15 pm / 3:00 pm-5:00 pm

Emerging technological advances will be demonstrated with emphasis on new and advanced therapeutic techniques. Diseases to be addressed by surgical and endoscopic means will include pancreatic pseudocysts, achalasia, ampullary neoplasms, large common bile duct stones, and sessile colon neoplasia.

International experts using the latest in advanced endoscopes, laparoscopes and accessory equipment, will perform these cases and through direct two way voice communication, the attendees will have the opportunity of discussing the cases with the faculty that perform the procedures.

The sessions will be moderated by medical and surgical interventionalists at the convention center. The goals of this session will be to present not only the techniques of performing the procedures but also the preoperative workup, postprocedural care, and the scope of surgical and endoscopic alternatives for management of varied gastrointestinal diseases.

EXPERTS

Todd Baron, USA Michael Bourke, Australia David Carr-Locke, USA Gregory Ginsberg, USA Christopher Gostout, USA Gregory Haber, USA Robert Hawes, USA Haru Inoue, Japan Richard Kozarek, USA Simon Lo, USA Claudio Navarette, Chile Horst Neuhaus, Germany Edward Phillips, USA Naohisa Yahagi, Japan

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MEET-THE-PROFESSOR SESSIONS

Monday – Wednesday, September 12 – 14, 2011 6:30 am – 8:00 am

ICE 2011 offers five Meet-the-Professor sessions each day. Two experts, a medical endoscopist and a surgical endoscopist, will lead and encourage the discussion. Please make sure to register online for the sessions in advance. The number of participants per session is limited to 30.

Session titles:

- → Gastrointestinal Symptoms in the Post-bariatric Surgery Patient: whose call first – gastroenterologist or surgeon – and what to do?
- → Pancreatic pseudocysts and Other Fluid Collections in Pancreatitis: diagnosis and treatment options, scope or scalpel
- → Management of Diverticulitis: when to throw in the surgical towel
- → Gastroesophageal Reflux: surgical, minimally-invasive endoluminal, and non-invasive options
- → Achalasia: is there a role for endoscopic management?
- → Future imaging modalities which holds the greatest promise?
- → Post-operative Biliary Strictures: prevention and treatment options in 2011
- → Bariatric interventions today and tomorrow: scalpel, scope, or both?
- → NOTES in the Second Decade: for the surgeon, the gastroenterologist, or someone in-between?
- → Endoscopic Submucosal Dissection (ESD) of Gastrointestinal Mucosal Lesions: what is the future outside Asia, and when is full-thickness resection better?
- → Dysplastic Barrett's Esophagus in 2011: excision or ablation, scope or scalpel?
- → Managing the Perforated Viscus: when not to operate
- → Simulators in Flexible Endoscopy and Laparoscopy: how can we be better by working together?
- → Difficult Colon Polyps: when to call the surgeon in 2011
- Chronic Pancreatitis in 2011: scope or scalpel when for which?

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PLENARY SESSION

Tuesday, September 13, 2011

● 1:45-2:45 pm

History and Future of Endoscopy and Laparoscopy Chairs: Jerome Waye (USA) / Melvin Schapiro (USA) / Abe Fingerhut (France)

- → History of Endoscopy & Laparoscopy Jeffrey Ponsky, USA
- → Future of Endoscopy Christopher Gostout, USA
- → Future of Laparoscopy Lee Swanstrom, USA*

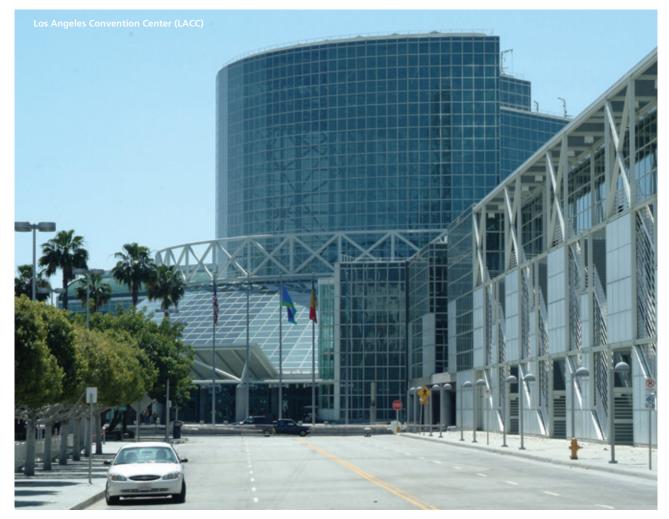
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CME – CONTINUING MEDICAL EDUCATION

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essentials and Standards of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education through the joint sponsorship of the Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons (SAGES) and the International Congress of Endoscopy (ICE). SAGES is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

The Society of American Gastrointestinal and Endoscopic Surgeons (SAGES) designates this live activity for a maximum of 29.25 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)TM. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Following the agreement signed between the American Medical Association and the UEMS/EACCME, the AMA PRA Class 1 Credits are recognized as EACCME credits and vice versa.



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ABSTRACT SUBMISSION

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The Scientific Committee of ICE 2011 would like to offer you the opportunity to actively take part in the scientific program of this unique congress. Your scientific work can be submitted either as a written abstract which will be considered as an oral presentation or a poster or as a video case.

The abstracts shall be submitted online on the congress website www.ice2011.org/abstract-submission.html.

All abstracts will be reviewed by the Scientific Program Committee which will judge the submissions according to the relevance to the ICE 2011 program, the scientific value, the objectivity of statement, and the standard of English.

All accepted abstracts will be published.

Guidelines for abstract submission

- Abstracts shall be submitted electronically by using the online form.
- Please choose a title that clearly indicates the content of the contribution.
- Please avoid abbreviations in the title. Abbreviations may be used in the text if they are defined when used first.
- The author's name (full first name, familiy name) and place of work (institution, city, country) should be indicated. Degrees, titles, street addresses and acknowledgements of support should be omitted.
- The word count of the abstract shall not exceed 300 words.
- The abstract text should be structured as follows:
 - Objectives
 - Methods
 - Results
 - Conclusion
- Please choose the topic which is the most relevant to your abstract.
- One table can be uploaded (gif, jpg).
- Please ensure that the abstract does not contain spelling, grammar or scientific errors, as it will be reproduced exactly as submitted.
- The abstract text can be saved in a draft status and can be finalized at any time before the submission deadline.
- Sextended submission deadline: May 15, 2011.

How to submit a video case

The video case submission consists of three parts:

- 1. Submission of the abstract text (see guidelines for abstract submission above)
- 2. Preparation of the Video Case
- 3. Mailing of the video on DVD

Preparation of the Video Case

- DVD quality
- Max. length: 8 minutes
- No sound

Mailing of the video on DVD

- Once the abstract submission is completed, the DVD with the video shall be mailed to the Congress and Exhibition Office CPO HANSER SERVICE GmbH no later than May 15, 2011.
- Mailing address: ICE 2011 c/o CPO HANSER SERVICE GmbH Video Case Paulsborner Str. 44 14193 Berlin, Germany
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- If the author is unable to present the scientific work at the congress, one of the co-authors shall take over his responsibility.
- Registration and payment of the registration fee is compulsory for the presenter at the latest after the notifications of the abstract acceptance have been sent.

Please find detailed instructions on the congress website www.ice2011.org/abstract-submission.html

TOPIC LIST

When submitting an abstract, please choose one of the following topics:

- 1. Bariatric
- 2. Basic Science
- 3. Colorectal
- 4. Complications
- 5. Education
- 6. Endoscopic Imaging
- 7. Endolumenal
- 8. Ergonomics
- 9. Esophageal, Gastric and duodenal Disorders
- 10. Small Bowel Disorders
- 11. Hepatobiliary
- 12. Pancreas
- 13. Minimally Invasive Procedures
- 14. Robotics
- 15. New Technology
- 16. Endoscopic Innovations

IMPORTANT DATE

Closing of abstract submission: May 15, 2011

CONGRESS REGISTRATION

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The registration to the congress is open to all physicians and individuals in the health care field. Please register online via the congress website www.ice2011.org.

Registration Fees

Category	by May 15, 2011	by August 12, 2011	after August 12, 2011
Delegates	EUR 450	EUR 550	EUR 650
Fellows in Training ¹ , Nurses ²	EUR 200	EUR 225	EUR 250
Accompanying Persons ³	EUR 70	EUR 70	EUR 70
Meet-the-Professor Sessions ⁴	EUR 25	EUR 25	EUR 25

¹ Fellows in Training must be under the age of 35. A certificate from the supervisor or head of department and a copy of the passport must be provided. Please send these documents either by email to or by fax to +49–30–305 73 91.

² Copy of nurse's professional standing or similar identification is indispensable for proof of status (confirmation by employer, proof of education or registration as nurse). Please send these documents either by email to ice2011@cpo-hanser.de or by fax to +49-30-305 73 91.

³ Accompanying Persons have neither access to the scientific sessions nor to the technical exhibition.

⁴ Each session requires a minimum number of participants.

Registration fee for Delegates and Fellows in Training includes:

Admission to all scientific sessions

- Admission to the Opening Ceremony, Welcome Reception and Closing Ceremony
- Admission to the scientific and technical exhibition
- Congress material

Fee for Accompanying Person includes:

Admission to the Opening Ceremony and Welcome Reception
 City Sightseeing tour of Los Angeles

PAYMENT

When registering for the ICE 2011, please arrange payment of the registration fee. All payments must be made in EUR*. You can choose between two forms of payment, credit card payment or bank transfer. We strongly recommend credit card payment as charges for bank transfers may apply twice, once in the country of origin, and a second time in the target country.

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CONFIRMATION

Upon receipt of the registration and the corresponding payment, the congress office will email a confirmation to the participant which also serves as the invoice.

Please show this confirmation of registration at the congress counter when picking up your congress material.

ON-SITE REGISTRATION

Participants who would like to register on-site are advised to arrive early. On-site registration will be handled on a first-come, first-served basis.

CANCELLATION

In the event that the attendance at the congress and/or Meet-the-Professor session is cancelled by **May 15, 2011**, a 25% handling fee will be retained for all refunds.

Please notify the conference office of your cancellation in writing. The attendee will have the option to prove that the expenditure for processing is less than 25% of the registration fee. The receipt of your cancellation request has to be confirmed in writing by the Congress and Exhibition Office, CPO HANSER SERVICE. Cancellations and registrations after **May 15, 2011** will not be eligible for refunds.

Conference attendee substitution from one individual to another is not permitted.

* Participants from the US are welcome to pay in USD. Please find more details on the congress website www.ice2011.org

GENERAL INFORMATION

CONGRESS VENUE

Los Angeles Convention Center (LACC) 1201 South Figueroa Street Los Angeles, California 90015, USA Website: www.LACClink.com

CONGRESS REGISTRATION COUNTER

The congress counter will be located in the entrance area of the South Lobby of the Los Angeles Convention Center (LACC).

Preliminary opening hours

Sunday	September 11, 2011	3:00 pm – 7:00 pm
Monday	September 12, 2011	6:00 am – 6:30 pm
Tuesday	September 13, 2011	6:00 am – 6:00 pm
Wednesday	September 14, 2011	

CONGRESS LANGUAGE

The official congress language is English.

CONGRESS AND EXHIBITION OFFICE

Office Berlin **CPO HANSER SERVICE GmbH** Paulsborner Str. 44 14193 Berlin Germany Phone: +49–30–300 669 0 Fax: +49–30–305 73 91 Email: ice2011@cpo-hanser.de

POSTER EXHIBITION

Posters will be displayed from Monday, September 12, 2011 through Wednesday, September 14, 2011. The posters are at display during the opening hours of the Technical Exhibition.

Poster Sessions will be held every day at lunch time. Poster authors are asked to be present during these sessions to present their poster and to answer any questions.

OPENING CEREMONY AND WELCOME RECEPTION

All participants and Accompanying Persons are invited to the Opening Ceremony of ICE 2011 which will take place on Monday, September 12, 2011 at 4:00 pm in the Los Angeles Convention Center.

This ceremony is followed by a Welcome Reception in the Technical Exhibition which offers the opportunity to meet colleagues from all around the world in a casual atmosphere.

TECHNICAL EXHIBITION

The ICE 2011 will be accompanied by a major technical exhibition. Potential exhibitors can request the exhibition and sponsoring brochure from the exhibition office CPO HANSER SERVICE: ice2011@cpo-hanser.de.

Exhibition hours

Monday	September 1	2, 2011	.9:00 am – 6:00 pm
Tuesday	September 1	3, 2011	9:00 am – 5:30 pm
Wednesday	September 1	4, 2011	.9:00 am – 4:00 pm

CONGRESS WEBSITE

The congress website www.ice2011.org provides the latest information and is continuously updated.

CONGRESS INFORMATION SYSTEM CO CONGRESS ONLINE®

For ICE 2011, the web-based Congress Information System CO CONGRESS ONLINE[®] has been installed: www.ice2011.org. Prior to the congress CO CONGRESS ONLINE[®] will provide information on:

- Preparation of the congress
- List of topics
- Call for abstracts
- Faculty
- Preliminary scientific program
- Accepted abstracts
- Industry Satellite Symposia
- List of participants (Who-is-Who)
- List of Partners and Exhibitors
- Congress venue
- Hotel accommodation
- City of Los Angeles and travel information
- Special news
- Private Mailbox

WHO-IS-WHO

Their consent provided, delegates will be given the possibility to have their name, institution, city and country listed in the list of participants published on the internet.

INVITATION LETTER

The Congress and Exhibition Office will be pleased to provide participants with an invitation letter. It is understood that such an invitation letter is intended to help delegates to raise funds or to obtain a visa.

An invitation letter does not imply a commitment from the congress to provide any financial support. The letters will be sent by email. If express delivery is required the delegate shall order a courier at his/her own expense.

Please contact: ice2011@cpo-hanser.de.

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VISA

Please find more information on how to obtain a visa to the US on the official website of the U.S. Department of State: http://www.travel.state.gov/visa

INSURANCE

The congress fee does not include insurance. All participants should arrange for their own insurance. Health and accident insurance is recommended and has to be purchased in your country of origin. Please contact the U.S. Embassy in your residing country to enquire about the entry requirements into the US.

PROGRAM CHANGES

ICE 2011 reserves the right to make any necessary changes to the program at short notice. There will be no refund / pro rata refund of the registration fees for cancelled papers or changes to the program.

In the event that Meet-the-Professor sessions fail to take place due to cancellations by speakers or a lack of participants, the registration fees for these sessions will be refunded. This will not apply – not even on a pro-rata basis – if the Meet-the-Professor sessions are held by speakers other than those initially specified.

FORCE MAJEURE

For reasons beyond its control (such as war, strikes, lockouts, riots or any such civil disturbances, any acts of god, including but not limited to earthquakes, floods, droughts, and fires and any other cause of circumstance of whatsoever nature beyond its control that have an impact on the arrangements, timetables or planning of ICE 2011 and its corresponding activities in Los Angeles, ICE 2011 has the right to immediately alter or cancel the activities or events or any of the arrangements, timetables, plans or other items relating directly or indirectly thereto.

No party involved shall be entitled to any compensation for damages that result from such alteration or cancellation.

LIABILITY OF ICE 2011

ICE 2011 is the organizer of the scientific conference. ICE 2011 is liable within the scope of the laws of Switzerland. Its liability – regardless of the legal cause – is limited to cases of gross negligence and wilful misconduct.

INFORMATION FOR ITALIAN DELEGATES

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CITY OF LOS ANGELES

Los Angeles was founded in September 1781 by the Spanish Governor of California, Felipe de Neve. Today, L. A. has an estimated population of around 4 million which makes it the second largest city in the United States after New York. The multi-national and multi-cultural population from more than 140 countries gives L. A. its polyglot character.

L. A. is the center of economy, business and culture in California with numerous universities, research institutions, theatres, museums and its famous entertainment industry.

Visitors can choose from a great variety of sights and cultural offerings such as the Hammer Museum, the Southwest Museum and the Los Angeles County Museum of Art or the Walt Disney Concert Hall which was opened in 2003 and is the home of the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra. On the other hand, L.A. also offers beach life at Santa Monica Bay.

CLIMATE

Los Angeles has a Subtropical-Mediterranean climate. In the month of September the temperatures range from 64 °F (17 °C) to 84 °F (24 °C).

HOTELS IN LOS ANGELES

CPO HANSER SERVICE has appointed **Convention Management Resources (CMR)** as the official partner for all ICE 2011 housing arrangements. CMR has negotiated room rates exclusively for ICE 2011 in all hotel categories within close proximity to the Los Angeles Convention Center (LACC). To learn more about housing accommodations for ICE 2011, please visit **http://www.ice2011.com/hotel-reservation.html**.

Advantages to Booking with ICE 2011 Official Housing:

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- SAll-Inclusive Group Rates
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Important Dates:

- May 10, 2011 Cancellation Deadline for International Group Reservations
- August 12, 2011 Cancellation Deadline for Individual and Exhibitor Reservations
- August 12, 2011 Last Day to make Individual and Exhibitor Reservations

CMR has arranged for a wide variety of accommodations in downtown Los Angeles at special conference rates. All downtown hotels are less than 1/5 miles from the Los Angeles Convention Center. For a full list of hotels with descriptions, amenities and availability, please go to:

http://www.ice2011.com/hotel-reservation.html.

Official ICE 2011 Hotels

1. Hilton Checkers	USD \$189.00 Sgl/Dbl
2. Hotel Figueroa	
3. Marriott Los Angeles Downtown	USD \$179.00 Sgl/Dbl
4. Millennium Biltmore Hotel	USD \$169.00 Sgl/Dbl
5. Omni Los Angeles	USD \$209.00 Sgl/Dbl
6. The O Hotel	USD \$159.00 Sgl/Dbl
7. Sheraton Los Angeles Downtown	USD \$179.00 Sgl/Dbl
8. Westin Bonaventure Hotel	USD \$185.00 Sgl/Dbl
9. Wilshire Grand Hotel	
Standard Room	USD \$179.00 Sgl/Dbl
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DATES TO REMEMBER

Deadline Abstract Submission May 15, 2011

Early Registration Deadlines 1st Deadline ● May 15, 2011 2nd Deadline ● August 12, 2011

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