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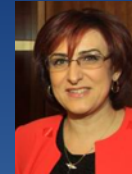
41st Annual conference of the
European Prosthodontic Association
September 28- 30, 2017
Bucharest, Romania



Bucharest is the capital and largest city of Romania, as well as its cultural, industrial, and financial centre. It is located in the southeast of the country, on the banks of the Dâmbovița River, less than 60 km (37.3 mi) north of the Danube River and the Bulgarian border. It became the capital of Romania in 1862 and is the centre of Romanian media, culture, and art. Known for its wide, tree-lined boulevards, glorious Belle Époque buildings and a reputation for the high life (which in the 1900s earned its nickname of "Little Paris").

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Romania



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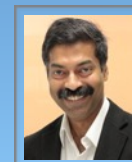
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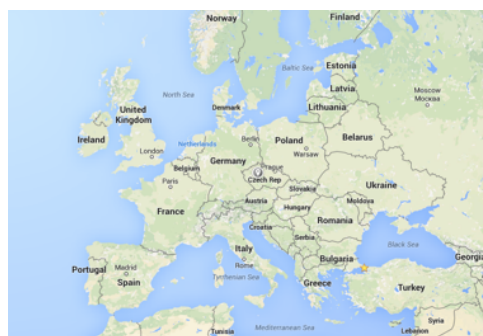
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International travel to the Bucharest, Romania

The international airport is "Henri Coanda" in Bucharest to which major airline have direct flights to. There are trains and bus routes from major European cities to Bucharest.

Travelling by car from other European countries to Bucharest requires drivers to produce necessary documents at the border. Details are available on the conference website. For travel within Bucharest, taxis and public transit network is available.



Invitation by the EPA President Prof. Dr. Norina Forna

Distinguished EPA Members

It is our privilege and special pleasure to host the 41st Annual Conference of the European Prosthodontic Association, for the first time in Romania in 40 years of EPA history.

We hope that Bucharest will be a milestone in the history of EPA Conferences. This meeting will offer practitioners from across the world an ideal opportunity to pursue

continuing medical education, to learn about recent advances, likely future developments and potential research avenues, and to exchange scientific ideas and experiences in our field – all within a unique environment.

This year EPA meeting promises to be a highlight for the multidisciplinary community that forms the heart and soul of dental medicine. With this occasion 10 of the most renowned dental specialists in the world will be present in Bucharest. The multidisciplinary symposium organized throughout the meeting will truly reflect EPA's mission to interact with other European and global organizations, with the goal of providing the best possible care for our patients.



We rely on the most meaningful participation of many colleagues from all over Europe in order to make our next congress a real scientific success. Thus, we are looking forward to welcome you in Bucharest, the heart of European culture and civilization, and to receive you according to the traditional Romanian hospitality.

On behalf of the Executive Committee and the Congress Organizing Committee I want to thank you for all your support and we'll be seeing you in Bucharest!

With appreciation,

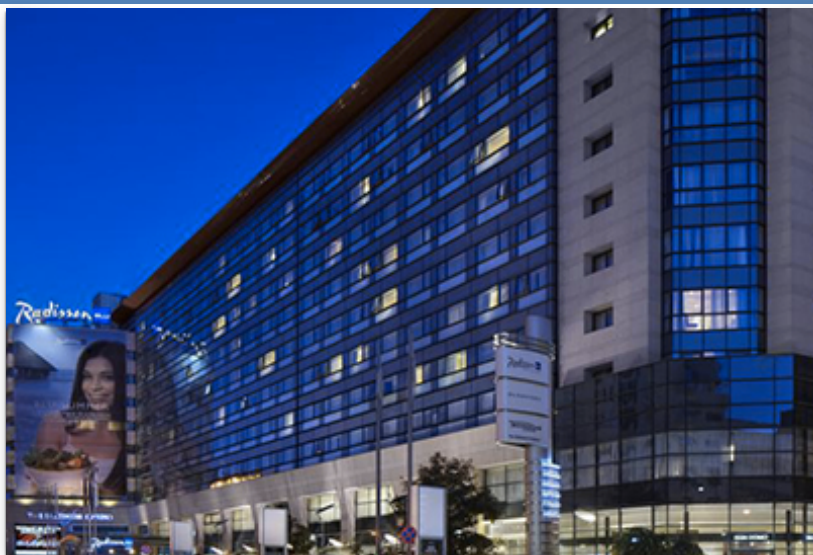
Prof. Dr. Norina Forna

EPA President 2016 -17

Congress President

Chairperson of Organising Committee





Welcome Cocktail

Thursday 28 September @ 2000hrs

*Meet your colleagues and other delegates with drinks and snacks
at The Radisson Blu Hotel in the main hall, Atlas.*



Gala Dinner

Friday 29 September

The Gala Dinner will be at the Manuc's Inn:

<https://hanufluimanuc.ro/en/>

Invited Speakers

Oxford-Lecture: Asbjørn Jokstad (Tromsø/Norway)

Any Palti (Kraichtal/Germany)

Tony Daher (La Verne/USA)

Ann Wennerberg (Malmö/Sweden)

Suresh Nayar (Edmonton/Canada)

Brian Miller (London/UK)

Hideki Aita (Ishikari Tobetsu/Japan)

Hans Van Pelt (Rotterdam/The Netherlands)

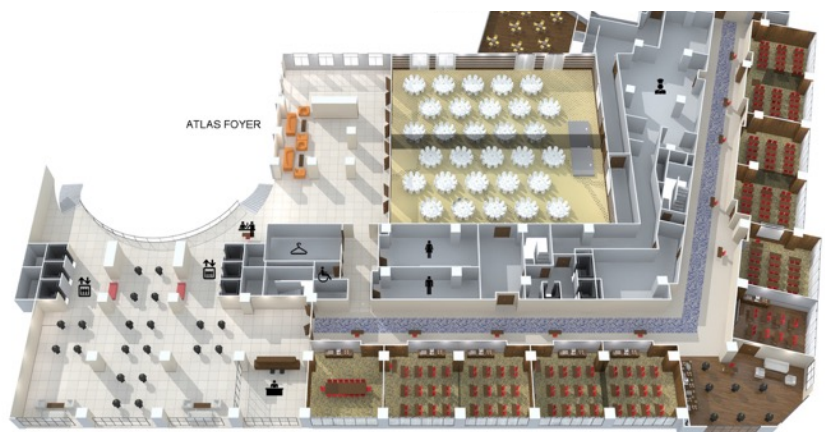
Carlo Poggio (Milan/Italy)

Paul Sippes (Amstelveen/The Netherlands)

Radisson Blu Hotel, Bucharest The Conference Venue

This designer hotel in the Bucharest city centre is perfectly situated near the Romanian Athenaeum Concert Hall and within 3 kilometres from the country's iconic landmark, the Palace of Parliament. It is also close to the metro station, and Henri Coandă International Airport (OTP), which is just 18 kilometres from the hotel.

The 487 rooms and suites were created by architect Uri Blumenthal and designer Buki Zuker, and many overlook the hotel garden or the Calea Victoriei.



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From the desk of the Hon. Secretary – Prof. Dr. Mutlu Özcan

Dear EPA members,

I am pleased to report that the 2016 EPA Conference on the themes covering “How much technology for the elderly? Can there be low cost reliable prosthetic treatment? Current developments in prosthodontic teaching” in Halle, Germany was a great success with the participation of 440 registered delegates from all over the world. We could also welcome 12 delegates from the Japanese Prosthodontics Society (JPS). The conference took place at the

University Hospital Halle in cooperation with German Society for Prosthetic Dentistry and Biomaterials (DGPro). After an outstanding Oxford lecture given by Prof. Frauke Müller from the University of Geneva, we had the chance to listen to 7 invited speakers, 75 oral presentations and discuss 156 posters. We would like to thank the president of the conference, Prof. Jürgen Setz and his team for the outstanding organization of both the scientific and social programme. Furthermore, during the Annual Business Meeting (ABM) in Halle we could welcome 21 new EPA members and 10 EPA recognized specialists in Prosthodontics. We would like to acknowledge the EPA Specialization Committee chair, Dr. Khee Hian Phoa, and committee members for their efforts during the evaluation of the candidates. The winner of the EPA Oral Presentation Prize in 2016 was Dr. Eleni Sotiria Palla from the University of Thessaloniki, Greece and Poster Prize winner was Dr. Rene Düringer from the University of Aachen, Germany. We also acknowledge our prize sponsor Mr. Günter Smailus, Intensiv SA, Switzerland with whom the sponsorship contract has been renewed this year until 2020. Unfortunately, this year no applications were received for the Sidney Barrett Travel Grant and for Rowland Fereday Research Fellowship. We encourage young researchers to apply to these awards in 2017 (www.epadental.org/awards).

At the ABM, our treasurer, Dr. Ransom Altman reported that the finances have been audited successfully. We would like to thank Prof. Paul Wright and Dr. Trevor Coward for their efforts in auditing. We also welcome our new auditor Dr. Maren de Wit from The Netherlands who would replace Dr. Coward as of 2017.

Halle meeting has also hosted a historical event. As you would recall from previous newsletters, ICP/EPA joint conference will be held in Amsterdam in 2019. The EPA council members confirmed the proposal received from the ICP at the board meeting in Halle. Prof. Mario Bresciano, the president of ICP, being a member of both EPA and ICP, and I myself finally signed this contract. Both organizations will work very hard to realize a memorable joint congress in 2019.

There had been long discussions since several years as to whether EPA should be managed from a central office or not. Since the monies has been transferred from United Kingdom to The Netherlands, some Dutch law need to be followed one of which is abolishment of the Trustees. Establishing one EPA Headquarters and centralization of the organization has been discussed both at the Trustees and Council meeting in Halle but it appeared that more structural meeting was needed and therefore the Trustees and Council members held an extraordinary board meeting on April 1st and 2nd in Amsterdam. After receiving the task lists from the honorary secretary, web-master and presidents, Dr. Ransom Altman and Mr. Paul Burger will make a more realistic proposal especially from financial perspectives during the ABM at the next EPA Conference in Bucharest. During this meeting in Amsterdam, also decision was made to establish several sub-committees, composed of one Chair and 3 to 5 members. Members of each sub-committee are expected to present their plan and task lists at the next EPA Conference.

As some of you may have noticed, it is now possible to make online submissions of your manuscripts to the journal EJPRD. Editor-in-chief of EJPRD, Prof. Will Pallin welcomes high quality scientific work. Similarly, we are hoping to come to an agreement with Mr. Denis Barber, the publisher of EJPRD, to make the journal an official journal of the EPA soon.

Furthermore, Honorary Web Editor Dr. Suresh Nayar requests more volunteers who would like to act as national representatives of the EPA. If you are interested, please feel free to contact him. He also welcomes webinars to be posted at the EPA website.

The 2017 EPA Conference will take place between September, 28-30th in Bucharest, Romania. (www.epa2017.ro). On March 28th 2016, I did my site visit to Bucharest in order to examine the congress venue and discuss the scientific and social program of the EPA 2016 Conference. Prof. Norina Forna, the president of EPA Conference in 2017 and her team prepared this conference on a very interesting topic, namely "Current Concepts and Paradigm Shifts in Prosthodontics". Invited keynote lecturers will visit dogmas and paradigm shifts in prosthodontics, which I think will be very thought provoking. The 41st EPA Conference in Bucharest will be a joint event together with the 7th Annual Conference of Romanian Robotic Prosthodontics and Implantology Association. Our Oxford lecturer will be Prof. Asbjorn Jokstad from Norway. And finally, our accompanying persons, please note that Romania has many historical places to offer. Don't miss it!

Dear EPA members, considering structural changes within the organization, please make every effort to attend the EPA Conference and the ABM!

We are looking forward to the upcoming EPA Conference in September and seeing you all in Bucharest!

Sincerely yours,

Prof. Dr. Mutlu Özcan
EPA Honorary Secretary

FUTURE EPA CONFERENCES

2018	42th EPA Conference	Madrid, Spain
2019	43rd EPA/ICP Conference	Amsterdam, The Netherlands
2020	44th EPA Conference	Athens, Greece



Editor's note

Dear all,

The 41th Annual Conference is upon us and Bucharest beckons! With an array of world class speakers and workshops lined up and with a topic of "Current concepts and Paradigm shifts in Prosthodontics" this really augurs to be a compelling conference! Prof Dr Norina Forna has been busy for the past couple of years organising this conference and it promises to be engaging. The social programme also is exciting and I am really looking forward to the Gala dinner at the Manuc's Inn. Being a web editor, I was really captivated by its website and I urge you to browse as well. (<https://hanulluimanuc.ro/en/>)

Our association is undergoing fundamental changes which require the support of it members. At this conference's ABM, expect to hear some of the proposals for these changes which will require your assent.

As we count down to the 41st Annual conference, when in Bucharest, let me remind you to savour the Romanian hospitality for which it is known the world over!

I hope to see you all at the conference in Bucharest soon!

Suresh Nayar
 Hon.Web Editor, EPA

