Overview of Sendai City

Sendai has a population of one million and is the political and economic center of Japan’s Tohoku (northeast) Region. Although Sendai is a large city, it is known throughout Japan as a modern city which is in harmony with nature. The city possesses beautiful scenery, such as the Hirose River that runs through central Sendai, and the lush Zelkova trees that line the central city. Greenery is especially abundant in the center of the city, which has tree-lined streets and parks. As a result, Sendai is called the “City of Trees.”

Congress Venues (Sendai Intl. Center)

Sendai International Centre is the core conference facility in Sendai and neighbours Sendai Castle Ruins with its statue of Date Masamune on horseback, museum and art gallery as well as Tohoku University campus.

Access (Flying in to Sendai Airport from Abroad)

Flights to Sendai Airport from overseas are as shown below. Connecting flights from Seoul and China (e.g. Beijing) fly daily to connect Sendai with other countries. Chartered flights fly out of several cities such as HongKong and Bangkok. Domestic flights connect ten cities in Japan to Sendai. Passengers landing at Narita, Nagoya or Kansai can transfer to a domestic flight to connect directly to Sendai.

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Message

It is a great honor to host the 54th Annual Congress of the Japanese Society of Pediatric Surgeons (JPS) in Sendai in May, 2017. This will be the third JPS Congress in Sendai, following the 7th Congress under Professor Morio Kasai and the 36th Congress under Professor Ryosuke Ohi. We look forward to welcoming you to Sendai again at the 36th Congress in 1999. This is a very special moment for us.

We have selected “Love your small patients” as the theme of this Congress. The concept of the Congress is to consider what is important and what must be done first in order to bring back the smiles as quickly as possible to the faces of our small patients, and to allow pediatric surgeons to work with pride, passion, and sense of accomplishment.

In addition, as a part of the Congress’ international session, we have planned a World Symposium on Biliary Atresia. This will be the seventh meeting of the Symposium, which began in 1972 under Professor Kasai, and it is to be remembered in the new knowledge on biliary atresia presented to the world from Sendai, again. Sendai suffered a major earthquake disaster in 2011, and we received great support and sympathy from the JPS members and colleagues all over the world. I would like to thank you again for all the help that on this occasion. Currently central Sendai has regained its pre-earthquake vitality or even surpassed it. I am sure that you will enjoy the Congress and the most beautiful season in the city of Sendai to the fullest.

However, as you may know, it is also true that the recovery of the Pacific coast of north-eastern Japan and the area around the damaged nuclear power plant in Fukushima has not proceeded so far. I hope that, if time permits, we will also visit the affected areas, confirm their situation, continue to provide sympathy and support for further recovery, and think about what we should do now for the future. With the full cooperation of the Board of the Japanese Society of Pediatric Surgeons, we are preparing a fruitful and enjoyable Congress. We hope that it will serve to bring you the greatest satisfaction.

I look forward very much to welcoming you to Sendai.

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Invited Speakers (tentative)

Dr. Cara L. Mack
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Dr. Claus Petersen
Department of Pediatric Surgery, Hannover Medical School

Dr. Frederick M. Karrer
Surgery and Pediatrics University Colorado School of Medicine, Children’s Hospital Colorado

Dr. Kasper S. Wang
Department of Pediatric Surgery, Children’s Hospital Los Angeles

Dr. Kenneth Kak-Yuen Wong
Department of Surgery, The University of Hong Kong

Mr. Mark Davenport
Department of Pediatric Surgery, King’s College Hospital

Dr. Mei-Hwei Chang
Department of Pediatrics, National Taiwan University Hospital

Dr. Riccardo A. Superina
Division of Transplant Surgery, Ann and Robert H. Lurie Children’s Hospital of Chicago

Dr. Seung Hoon Choi
Division of Pediatric Surgery, Yonsei University College of Medicine, Seoul, Korea

Dr. Kenichi Harada
Department of Human Pathology, Kanazawa University Graduate School of Medical Sciences Professor

Dr. Muroo Kasahara
Director, Organ Transplantation Center National Center for Child Health and Development

Dr. Atsuyuki Yamataka
Department of Pediatric Surgery Jutendo University School of Medicine

Program (tentative)

Day 1 May 11, 2017 — 7th ISSBA, JPS 2017

JPS2017 Programs (Cultural Lecture by Mr. Junkyu Muto, Lecture by Congress Chairman, Lecture by JPS President, Symposium, Workshop, Panel Discussion, Oral Session, Poster Discussions, Luncheon Seminar) (in Japanese*)

Day 2 May 12, 2017 — 7th ISSBA, JPS 2017

7th ISSBA Programs (Key note Lecture, Symposium)

JPS2017 Programs (Symposium, Workshop, Panel Discussion, Oral Session, Poster Discussions, Luncheon Seminar) (in Japanese*)

Reception (Buffet)

Day 3 May 13, 2017 — 7th ISSBA(Poster), JPS2017

-Invited Lecture by Dr. James B Atkinson

JPS2017 International Session (Oral Session)

Poster Discussions (7th ISSBA & JPS2017 International Session)

JPS2017 Programs (Symposium, Workshop, Panel Discussion, Oral Session, Poster Discussions, Luncheon Seminar) (in Japanese*)

* JPS2017 is only in Japanese language except for International Session.

Important Dates

-Abstract Submission Period: December 1 (Thu), 2016 - January 12 (Thu) 5pm (JST), 2017

-Travel Grant Application Deadline: December 27(Tue) 5pm(JST), 2016

-Accommodation Booking Site Open: November 1(Fri), 2016

-Early Bird Registration Period(Tentative): November 1 (Tue), 2016 - April 6 (Thu) 5pm (JST), 2017

Travel Grant

1. An applicant must be either a surgeon or a surgical trainee from any country except Japan.
2. An applicant must be under 40 years old.
3. An applicant may submit more than one abstract.
4. Japanese nationals residing abroad are ineligible for this grant.
5. Foreign nationals residing in Japan are ineligible for this grant.
6. The maximum number of travel grants available is 10, and each grant will be worth $100,000JPY.
7. The travel grant of $100,000JPY will be awarded to each presenting author after his/her presentation as a token of our appreciation for participating at JPS 2017.
8. It is the applicants’ own responsibility to obtain the proper visa to enter Japan prior to the congress.