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City of Antwerp:

Antwerp has a magnificent architecture, dazzling monuments, inspired artworks, a wealth of outstanding museums, picturesque galleries and world class shopping. Restaurants with superb belgian and multicultural food, beer-washed pubs, jazzed-up clubs are the right components of a vibrant nightlife. Antwerp is a pocketsize metropolis.

Hilton Antwerp Hotel:

The elegant Hilton Antwerp Hotel is set on the Groenplaats in the heart of the historical city center and offers all the facilities for business events like the XXIst edition of The Belgian Week of Gastroenterology.

Gala Dinner and Party of the XXIst BWG:

Marble Hall in the famous Zoo of Antwerp with reception in the Winter Garden, in walking distance from the Hilton
Nice dinner in an impressive venue, followed by a dancing evening

Languages:

Dutch, French and English. English (British spelling) for abstracts, slides and announcements. As proposed at the Steering Committee of 1995, Belgian Authors may present their original papers at the Joint Meeting in their mother language.

The XXIst Belgian Week of Gastroenterology

Will be organised at the Hilton Antwerp Hotel from Thursday February 12, 2009 to Saturday February 14, 2009.

Call for Abstracts:

Authors are invited to send abstracts electronically as early as possible, before Dec. 1st, 2008 (absolute deadline) and to choose either the “Joint Meeting” (Clinical and basic research with clinical impact) or the appropriate Research Group.

Joint Meeting oral presentations will be selected by the Joint Meeting Selection Committee and presented on Thursday February 12 and Friday February 13, 2009. Research Groups oral presentations will be selected by the Selection Committees of each research group.

All abstracts will be scored anonymously from 0 to 5, on the basis of originality and scientific value, by each member of the selection committee of the joint meeting or by the selection committee of the research group you asked for. A member of the selection committee will not vote if he is author or co-author of the abstract.

The Selection Committee gathers experts in different fields of Gastroenterology. After scoring, the abstracts will be allocated into several categories, the highest scores being scheduled for the Plenary Session on Friday morning.

Prizes will be awarded for the best oral presentations at the Joint Meeting in Basic Research and in Clinical Research. Two awards will also be given on Thursday morning by the BASL for the best Basic and Clinical Presentation in Liver diseases.

An abstract submitted for the Digestive Disease Week (DDW) in May 2009 or the United European Gastroenterology Week 2009 (UEGW) may be presented at the Belgian Week of Gastroenterology (“National Meeting”), following the rules of the American Gastroenterological Association (AGA) and the United European Gastroenterology Federation (UEGF). The abstracts of the Belgian Week of Gastroenterology will be published in AGEB (2009, fasc 1).

Registration / Abstract Submission

Registration and Abstract submission are now open on the WEBSITE www.belgianweek.be

Scientific Programme

Thursday February 12th 2009

Morning  BASL/BLIC
OG-NFWO
Belgian Pancreatic Club

Afternoon  Joint Meeting Belgian Week
OG-NFWO
HP-Research Group
IBD Research Group
Videocapsule Group

Friday February 13th 2009

Morning  Joint meeting Belgian Week

Afternoon  Joint meeting Belgian Week
BeSPGHAN
Nutrition (VVKVM-SBNC)
BGDO
Radiological-pathological correlations

Saturday February 14th 2009

Morning and Afternoon

Six Societies Symposium organised by the Belgian Society of Gastrointestinal Endoscopy (BSGIE):
«Premalignant lesions of the digestive tract»
BSGIE Annual Meeting
Brohee Prize Awarding

Accreditation:

Certificates for accreditation will be provided at the end of each 1/2 day session (30 units) to the registered delegates who have attended the respective sessions. CME credits will also be provided.