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# WCN 2015 A Special Event Not to Miss

A Deadline Not to Forget: February 9 (Regular Registration Deadline)

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Dear Colleague,

The ISN World Congress of Nephrology 2015 (taking place on March 13-17, 2015 in Cape Town, South Africa) provides a unique opportunity to share views on a wide variety of topics in nephrology that are related to patients suffering from kidney disease around the globe, with a special emphasis on AKI. The underlying themes of sustainability and diversity are highlighted across an exciting program that should foster many educational and collegial exchanges

Of key importance, the program will feature a mix of cutting edge medical science, notably in plenary lectures, and educational courses that fill the unmet needs of clinicians and patients in many countries around the world.

Accordingly, this meeting will, for the first time at a WCN, provide educational tracks that take place throughout the full Congress. There are French and English Continuing Nephrology Education (CNE) sessions, reflecting the diversity of Africa and making new knowledge and scientific advances more easily accessible. The program also features translational ("bench-to-bedside") medicine, focusing on innovative and novel medical progress for major disorders that affect many people in Africa and emerging countries, for example hypertension, diabetes, chronic kidney disease, polluted water-related disorders and infectious diseases, such as HIV and Ebola virus infections.

This congress is the first WCN to date with so many pediatric themes. Particular emphasis is being placed on issues common to adult and pediatric patients with kidney diseases, and on disorders of pregnancy, the perinatal period and beyond, many of which are induced by insufficient access to primary care and the effect of insufficient nutrition and infection during gestation.

The program also features for the first time at a WCN, a full-day symposium and daily sessions in the CNE track for Allied Health Professionals (AHPs), recognizing the crucial role of this important group of first-line care givers in Africa and other emerging countries.

We are excited about the program and confident that it will provide sessions that will stimulate interest, discussion, and future research. We hope that it will provide the seeds for changes in models of care and engage health care providers and policy makers in the broader discussion of the delivery of equitable care to people with kidney disease worldwide.

We look forward to seeing you in Cape Town.

With very best regards,

Giuseppe Remuzzi, ISN President and Congress Chair Charles Swanepoel, Local Organizing Committee Chair

### Important Dates

Regular Registration
Deadline: February 9, 2015
Start of the Congress: March
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