

## Invitation

# ISPP Annual Scientific Meeting and International Pelviperineology Conference

22<sup>nd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup> October 2012 Yokohama Japan

The ISPP Organising Committee is pleased to invite you to the first International Conference to be held in Asia. ISPP and its' predecessor AAVIS have held very successful annual scientific meetings since our first one held on the Gold Coast in 1999. Now the ISPP is a truly international multidisciplinary society with valued contributions from urologists, gynaecologists and colorectal surgeons as well as nurses, pelvic therapists, pain therapists and physiotherapists. This year the meeting is in the fascinating city of Yokohama where our Japanese colleagues are doing their best to ensure a stimulating medical and social experience.

This year an impressive Australasian and international faculty will present a number of papers on pelvic medicine and surgery. There will be special workshops and symposia on a number of topics, and delegates will be able to participate in pre and post conference tours. The conference dinner will be onboard a floating restaurant ship cruising the Yokohama harbor. Live surgery will be performed at the Shonan Kamakura General Hospital. One of the highlights of the meeting will be a hands-on ultrasound training workshop conducted by the leading European ultrasound experts Drs Giulio Santoro and Pawel Wiczorek. There will also be a WIPS Pelvic Surgery workshop conducted by Associate Professor Richard Reid, Professor Carl Zimmerman and their associates.

Yokohama is only 30 minutes from Tokyo and is easily accessed directly from Narita Airport. Narita has direct flights daily from Australia, Europe and North America. From Narita you can transfer directly to Yokohama by the YCat bus which travels from the Airport terminals directly to central Yokohama. You can also catch the train from Narita to Yokohama via Tokyo.

In Yokohama the conference venue and hotels are only a short taxi ride from either the YCat terminal or the railway station. The ISPP 2012 Conference venue is the Yokohama Symposia. This is a purpose-built conference centre on the waterfront in Yokohama adjacent to Yamashita Park within walking distance of several hotels and easy access to Yokohama bus and rail connections.

A number of workshops and symposia have been organized as part of the program. These options can be selected when making your online booking. Registration for the workshops and symposia is only available to conference registrants. Please book early to secure your place as space is limited and some sessions will be limited as to the number of attendees.

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