

International News

SGI SUMMIT TURKEY 2013: Innovations in Obstetrics and Gynecology

Dates: 06 Sep 2013 - 08 Sep 2013

Location: Istanbul, Turkey

Topics: gynecology, obstetrics, endometriosis, infertility, oncology, urogynecology, IVF

Weblink: <http://www.sgiturkey2013.org>

18th International Meeting of the European Society of Gynaecological Oncology

05 Oct 2013 - 08 Oct 2013

Athens, Greece

Website: <http://www2.kenes.com>

18th International Meeting Of The European Society of Gynaecological Oncology

19 Oct 2013 '1 22 Oct 2013

Liverpool, United Kingdom

Topics: gynecology, oncology, cancer

Website: <http://www2.kenes.com>

AOCOG-2013

20-24 October, 2013

Bangkok, Thailand

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18th World Congress on Controversies in Obstetrics, Gynecology & Infertility (COGI)

24 Oct 2013 '1 27 Oct 2013

Vienna, Austria

Website: <http://www.congressmed.com/cogi/>

9th SAFOG Conference, 2013

Ninth Conference South Asian Federation of Obstetrics & Gynaecology (SAFOG) was held in Agra, India from 28th February to 3rd March 2013 which was jointly organized by SAFOG & FOGSI. The theme of the conference was "Women's Health in South Asia: Dreams to Reality". Prof. Alokendu Chatterjee, President-SAFOG was the Organizing Chairperson.

Dr. Narendra Malhotra, Editor-SAFOG Journal was the organizing secretary. A large number of participants from South Asian Region and resource persons from all over the world joined the conference.

SAFOG Orations

There were three SAFOG orations: (1) SAFOG Agra Oration: "Transforming Maternal Health Strategy into Action" by Prof. Sabaratnam Arulkumaran, President. FIGO; (2) Prof. Rashid Latif Khan SAFOG Oration: "Lessons learned & future challenges" by Prof. Harshalal Seneviratne, Srilanka, Immediate Past President, SAFOG; and (3) SAFOG India Oration: "Innovations to Implementation in Obs & Gyn" by Prof. Hema Divakar, President FOGSI.

Scientific Activities:

Many updates, original articles, analysis was presented, debated and discussed in the scientific program. There were eight symposia: PPH, Maternal Health, MDG/Safe Motherhood (WHO), 5 P's in Obstetrics (AOFOG); Endometriosis (AICOG-RCOG); Maternal Morbidity (UNFPA) ; Major Pregnancy complication (JHPIEGO); Diabetes in Pregnancy (WDA); Women's health in South Asia: from health to reality.

There were 12 Keynote addresses: Cancer Screening in South Asia, Labour Management, Chromosomal defects, operative gynaecology, newer contraceptives, critical care in obstetric problems of Menopause, current issues on caesarean section, unsafe abortion, multiple pregnancy and PCOS.

There were well participated and lively panel discussions on Maternal health economics in South Asia: Obstetrics Drills -Fire Fighting, Problems in adolescent gynaecology, Anaemia, HIV/AIDS, Surgery of sexual problems in women, Malnutrition in pregnancy and childhood and current management of genital prolapse in women.

Social functions

Social functions such as inaugural session, Banquet and Dinner for SAFOG officials were well organized with delicious & mouth watering Indian foods. In the Inaugural session there was marching of the SAFOG council members, followed by a colourful cultural

program by Kolkata Choir: where folk songs and dances of all the 7 SAFOG countries were presented in a lively and enjoyable way. Speech by Presidents of National Societies of Obs & Gynae and President SAFOG were short but informative and expressed commitments along with valuable suggestion.

Activity of SAFOG Executive Committee.

In the SAFOG council meeting of the old and new committees the charge was handed over to the president and office bearer of new SAFOG executive committee. Four council members and Deputy Secretary General of SAFOG were nominated from Bangladesh. The President Elect of SAFOG is Dr. Asma Rana from Nepal. Prof. Alokendu Chatterjee of India is the current President and Dr. Rubina Sohail is the current Secretary General of SAFOG. The 10th SAFOG conference will be held in 2015 at Katmandu, Nepal.

Participation of Bangladesh in 9th SAFOG Conference

A large number of delegates (about 150) from Bangladesh participated in the 9th SAFOG conference. Many delegates presented paper in the conference including paper in plenary, keynote presentations and as panelists in panel discussion. There were a number of persons who chaired and moderated different scientific sessions.

Pre congress workshops

On 28th February 2013 there were five pre congress workshop on: Ultrasound and Fetal Medicine; Urogynaecology; ART; Contraception and CTG.

General Comments

The 9th SAFOG was well organized. Communication before, during and after the conference was good; conduction of the conference was smooth. Variety of Indian and continental foods were served with delicacies. The Cultural program at Banquet was praiseworthy.