



**Pestana Palace Hotel
Lisbon, Portugal
April 9 - 12, 2008**

The International Brain Injury Association presents the

**Seventh World Congress on Brain Injury
April 9-12, 2008
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OVERVIEW

The IBIA World Congress is the largest gathering of international professionals working in the field of brain injury. Delegates are comprised of physicians, psychologists and neuropsychologists, therapists, social workers, nurses, case managers, legal professionals, advocates and all others working in the field of brain injury.

The Seventh World Congress will feature internationally recognized invited speakers, platform lectures, workshops, short oral presentations and poster sessions.

This year's Congress will also include a special **one day pre-Congress symposium**, co-sponsored with the World Federation of Neurological Rehabilitation (WFNR) on *Advances and Controversies in Mild Traumatic Brain Injury* which will be held April 8, 2008.

The aim of the Seventh World Congress is to provide an opportunity for establishing collegial relationships with international professionals focused on the care and/or service of persons with acquired brain injury and/or the science of brain injury research. State of the art research will be presented dealing with information spanning from basic science to clinical (coma to community) aspects of brain injury.

International priorities in the field of brain injury research will be discussed. Finally, the Congress seeks to provide didactic opportunities for clinicians interested in advancing their knowledge in brain injury science, medicine and care.

ENDORISING ORGANIZATIONS

IBIA has received formal endorsements for the 2008 Congress from the following organizations:

European Brain Injury Society
International Society of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
Latin American Brain Injury Consortium
North American Brain Injury Society
Portuguese National Institute of Emergency Medicine
Portuguese Neuroscience Society
Portuguese Society of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
Portuguese Society of Neurology
Portuguese Society of Neurosurgery
Portuguese Society of Psychiatry
Portuguese Society of Neuropsychology
World Federation of Neurological Rehabilitation
World Health Organization (WHO)

Members of the above organizations may register for the Congress at the reduced IBIA member rate.

LOCATION

The Congress will be held at the Pestana Palace Hotel located in central Lisbon. Classified by the Portuguese government as a national monument, the Pestana Palace is a luxury hotel, and a member of "The Leading Hotels of the World". The hotel has won numerous awards, most recently in 2006 when the hotel was named one of the top 10 hotels in Europe by Expedia. The restored XIX century ancient coach house will be the site of the exhibit hall and the poster sessions, as well as lunches, coffees and breaks.

The Pestana Palace looks over an inner private park lush with many subtropical trees and plants and enjoys panoramic views over the Tagus River. While the Palace is located in the heart of the dynamic city of Lisbon, it is only a short drive from the Estoril Coast and its beaches.

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

The deadline for submitting a paper for the Congress is **November 16, 2007**. Abstracts will be reviewed by the Congress's International Scientific Committee, which will determine the most appropriate presentation format (oral presentation or poster) for each abstract accepted. Submissions must be data-driven or assessment/treatment model descriptions.

PLEASE NOTE: Only abstracts written in English and submitted online will be considered. Be sure that abstracts do not contain grammatical or spelling errors, which may disqualify your submission.

To submit a paper, visit www.internationalbrain.org.

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REGISTRATION INFORMATION

(All prices are in EUROS)

€395 IBIA members and members of endorsing organizations

€450 Non-Member Rate

€190 Trainee (proof of student status will be required on-site).

€150 Spouse (includes access to all complimentary social functions but no scientific sessions)

€95 Optional IBIA/WFNR pre-congress symposium "Advances and Controversies in Mild Traumatic Brain Injury."

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