Programme for the Sixth Congress of
FIAPAC

„United to improve women‘s health“

10/11 September 2004 - Vienna, Austria

Technische Universität
Hörsaal 7/Lecture room 7
Gusshausstrasse 27-29
1040 Vienna
Austria

HS= Lecture room/Hörsaal; (T)= simultaneous translation available

Registration is also possible on Thursday from 16:00 - 18:00

Friday 10 September 2004

8:30 Registration
9:00/HS 7 (T) Welcome

- Christian Fiala, President of FIAPAC
- Sybille Straubinger, Member of the regional parliament of Vienna

9:15/HS 7 (T) Plenary Session: Abortion in Europe
President: Christian Fiala (A), Vice-President: Mirella Parachini (I)

- Historical background of abortion with an emphasis on medical abortion, Marc Bygdeman (S)
- Access to and reality of abortion in Europe, Marcel Vekemans (IPPF)
- Registration of abortion and statistics, Chantal Blayo (F)
- Ethical considerations in abortion, Lotti Helström (S)

10:30 Coffee break + Poster presentation

11:00/HS 7 (T) Current issues on contraception
President: Jean-Jacques Amy (B), Vice-President: Chantal Birman (F)

- Acceptability and compliance of contraceptives, Dharani Hapangama (Scotland)
- New frontiers in contraceptive research, Regine Sitruk-Ware (US)

11:30/HS 7 (T) Free communications:

- Misoprostol in Eastern-European countries, Ivar Brod (US)
- New law about abortion in Switzerland, Danielle Wyss (CH)
- Providing safe abortion services in low-resource and legally restricted environments: The Latin American Abortion Provider Network, Dee Redwine (US)
Psychosocial background factors and mental health-consequences of induced abortion in Austrian women, Beate Wimmer-Puchinger (A)

12:30 Lunch
14:00 - 15:30 Workshops

- HS 8, Free communications, President: György Bártfai (H)
  - The development of a nationwide central booking service for abortion, Sam Rowlands (UK)
  - Use of misoprostol for priming in Italy, Giovanna Scassellati (I)
  - Sexual education measures in the framework of the Vienna women’s health programme, Angelika Wolff (A)
  - Use of levonorgestrel-releasing IUD (Mirena®) following medical termination of pregnancy, Oskari Heikinheimo (F)
- HS 9, Immigrant patients, President: Helga Seyler (D)
  - Who is doing the translation? Thea Shipper (NL)
  - Special aspects: Minors, Virginity, Anne Verougstraete (B)
  - Survey of immigrant women who have had an induced abortion in Italy, Angela Spinelli (I)
- HS 10, Practical aspects of abortion, President: Kristina Gemzell (S)
  - Who pays for abortions in Europe? Christian Fiala (A)
  - Waiting period: Do women need it? Kristina Hänel-Groh (D)
- HS 7 (T) Emergency contraception, President: Beate Wimmer-Puchinger (A)
  - Can it be handed out without medical prescription? Elisabeth Aubeny (F)
  - Emergency contraceptive pills over-the-counter; practices and attitudes of pharmacy and nurse-midwife providers, Gunilla Aneblom (S)
  - Supply of emergency hormonal contraception without prescription in Swiss community pharmacies, Christa Spycher (CH)
  - The role of doctors, Pedro Peña Coello (SP)

15:30 Coffee break + Poster presentation
16:00/HS 7 (T)

- Women, science, politics and religion: an everlasting struggle: the Italian case, Emma Bonino, Member of the European Parliament (I)

16:15/HS 7 (T) Plenary Session: Abortion and contraception
President: Paul Cesbron (F), Vice-President: Dharani Hapangama (Scotland)

  - Why do women still get an unwanted pregnancy? Rik van Lunsen (NL)
  - New perception on contraception, Fatim Lakha (Scotland)
  - The importance of education on contraception, Bojana Pinter (Slovenia)

17:15 General assembly of FIAPAC
20:00 Dinner at the Kursalon

Saturday, 11 September 2004

9:00/HS 7 (T) Plenary Session: Choice in reproductive health: the example of medical abortion
President: Marc Bygdeman (S), Vice-President: Regine Sitruk-Ware (US)
Why do we need medical abortion when surgical abortion works so well? Pierre Moonens (B)

Access in different countries and current status, Elisabeth Aubény (F)

15 years of experience new developments, Kristina Gemzell (S)

Medical abortion, early treatment and the risk of ectopic pregnancy, Peter Safar (A)

Medical abortion in the private practice, Gabriele Halder (D)

10:30 Coffee break

11:00 - 12:30 Workshops

HS 8, Eastern Europe after the transition: What do women win and loose in reproductive health?, President: György Bártfai (H)
- Concerning contraception, Medard Lech (Poland)
- Concerning abortion, Irina Savelieva (Russia)
- Back to unsafe abortions, Wanda Nowicka (Poland)

HS 9, Emergency contraception, President: Elisabeth Aubeny (F)
- Mode of action, Lena Marions (S)
- Impact of EC on contraception and abortion, Fatim Lakha (Scotland)
- Where is the evidence? Results from clinical studies, Helena von Hertzen (WHO)

HS 7 (T) Starting medical abortion, President: Dominique Roynet (B)
- Training for the counsellor, Christiane der Andreassian (F)
- Training for the doctor, Lynne Randall (US)
- The ultrasound simulator- a novell training system for ultrasound in pregnancy, Ismini Staboulidou (D)
- Who should perform medical abortion? Richard Burzelman (South Africa)

HS 10, Beyond first Trimester, President: Pascale Rogie (B)
- Continuing abortion tourism in Europe, Maria Frances (NL)
- Experience from UK, Carolyn Phillips (UK)
- Experience from Spain, Morin Carlos (SP)

12:30 Lunch

14:00 - 15:30 Workshops

HS 8, Beyond first Trimester, President: Pedro Peña Coello (SP)
- Surgical method, Janna Westerhuis (NL)
- Medical method, Kristina Gemzell (S)
- One- and two-day mifepristone misoprostol intervals are both effective in medical termination of second trimester pregnancy, Oskari Heikinheimo (Finland)
- Psychological aspects of second trimester abortions for medical indications, Chantal Birman (F)

HS 9, Legal aspects, President: Mirella Parachini (I)
- The current situation of induced abortions in Europe and policy changes, Gunta Lazdane (WHO)
- How to improve the law in restrictive countries? Mary Short (Ireland)
- Do we need a law on abortion at all? Joyce Arthur (Canada)

HS 7 (T) Counselling, President: Pierre Moonens (B)
- Who should do the counselling: doctor non doctor? Karen Schlie (D)
- Choice between medical and surgical abortion, Philippe Lefebvre (F)
- Contraceptive counselling after abortion, Olga Loeber (NL)

HS 10, Surgical first trimester, President: Marijke Alblas (NL)
- Is there a lower limit in gestational age? Annet Jansen (NL)
- Pain treatment under local anaesthesia, Marie-Jeanne Martin (Fr)
- Cervical priming where is the evidence? Helena von Hertzen (WHO)

15:30 Coffee break
16:00/HS 7 (T) **Final Session**
President: Elisabeth Aubeny (F), Vice-President: Marijke Alblas (NL)

- A good law is not enough, Pierre Moonens (B)
- Safe abortion guidelines from the UK, Sam Rowlands (UK)
- Safe Abortion Guidelines from WHO, Gunta Lazdane (WHO)
- Dramaturgy of religious demonstrations analysis and reactions, Alexander Uhl (A)
- The battle for abortion, is it over? Anne van Lancker, (European Parliament)

17:00 Closing
19:30 Reception at the City Hall
Welcome by:
- Sonja Ramskogler, Member of the regional parliament of Vienna
- Christian Fiala, President of FIAPAC

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**Poster:**

- The utilization of misoprostol per os in therapeutic termination, Giovanna Scassellati (I)
- Pharmacological induction in pre-intervention within the 90th day, Giovanna Scassellati (I)
- What women want in Italy? Giovanna Scassellati (I)
- Cultural and linguistic mediation, Giovanna Scassellati (I)
- Therapeutic termination, Giovanna Scassellati (I)
- Women’s experience of the abortion process - a semi-qualitative survey, Sarah Robotham, Julie Porksen (UK)
- The dynamic of meaning in requested legal abortion, Bernadette Mattauer (F)
- Swedish teenager perceptions about reproduction and abortion, Maria Ekstrand (S)
- The adoption of the Emergency Contraceptive Pill in Sweden, Margaret Larsson, (S)
- Collection of induced abortion data in Italy and its results, Angela Spinelli (I)
- Children by Choice - an Australian counselling, information and education service on issues relating to unplanned pregnancy, Cait Calcutt (Australia)
- Misoprostol with and without mifepristone in advanced pregnancies, experience with 753 cases, Eva Rodriguez (SP)
- Sublingual compared with oral misoprostol for cervical dilatation prior to vacuum aspiration. Annette Aronsson (S)
- Mifeprisone 200mg + 600µg of sublingual versus vaginal misoprostol for surgical abortion between 12 to 20 weeks gestation, J LL Carbonell, L. Var. Várela, et al (SP)
- Induced abortion in gestations from 19 to 24 weeks or more with 200mg mifepristone + misoprostol + oxitocin, J.LL Carbonell, L. Várela, et al. (SP)
- Is Spain a democratic country concerning rights to abortion? J.LL Carbonell Esteve (SP)
- Vagina misoprostol 800µg every 12 hours for second trimester abortion, J.LL. Carbonell, J.
Rodríguez et al. (SP/Cuba)

- **The midwife’s role in care of abortion patients**, Monika Axelsson, Liselott Holmquist

**Poster** exhibition is open during both days. Poster presentation is on Friday during coffee break.

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This program may be subject to change without prior notice. Please find the latest version of the program on the website.

**A training for vaginal ultrasound** in early pregnancy will be offered during the conference. The sonotrainer is a computer-based learning and training system for ultrasound diagnosis. Please find further details at the reception. You may also visit the homepage: [http://www.sonofit.com/](http://www.sonofit.com/)

**Films to be played:**
Films dealing with different aspects of abortion will be shown during the conference. Access to the films is free for congress participants. Please find the program here.

**Museum for contraception and abortion**
A museum will open soon in Vienna. Participants will have the possibility to see some of the objects. Any contribution of objects, books, posters or stories to document the history of contraception and abortion will be appreciated. [http://www.verhuetungsmuseum.at/](http://www.verhuetungsmuseum.at/)

**Teaching and information material:**
All participants are invited to bring teaching and information material such as leaflets, posters and videos used in their country or institution. Please contact the organising committee if you have material to sell.

For any further information or help, please contact:
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