



CONGRESS Invitation to Participate

# Congress 2019

9th – 12th April 2019



Animal Technology – vital for global medical discovery

# Congress 2018

Following the successful introduction of more workshops at Congress 2016, four were offered on the Tuesday afternoon for delegates who arrived early. Over Congress 2018 a total of 12 different workshops were presented, with some of them being repeated. Online booking was available, allowing everyone registered the opportunity to book places on workshops.

Congress 2018 opened with papers by the First Time Presenters on Wednesday morning. Three presenters made their debut, and the award for best First Time Presenter went to Zoe Windsor for her paper entitled “Assessing the safety and suitability of four types of nesting material for singly housed mice with surgically fitted head plates”. Paper sessions then ran in parallel with workshops. A total of fifteen papers were delivered plus a Flash Trade presentation session.

The Kevin Dolan Memorial lecture was given by Katie Slocombe and was entitled “Evolution of language: What do Chimpanzees have to say?”.

A total of 34 posters were on display throughout Congress. They covered a cross-section of topics and a high standard was achieved across the board.

Rhys Perry was awarded the prize for Best Poster for his entry entitled “A refinement to schedule 1”.



The Andrew Blake Tribute Award 2017 was awarded to Melanie Galvin for her paper “Refinement of tumour passage by optimisation of the tissue disaggregational protocol”. The prize for the Andrew Blake Tribute Award is free attendance at Congress, a glass plaque and a cheque for £250. Further details on how to apply for this award can be found on the IAT website ([www.iat.org.uk](http://www.iat.org.uk))

*A full report of Congress 2018 was published in the IAT Bulletin (June 2018 issue 54.6).*

# Congress 2019

Congress 2019 will be held in a North West UK conference venue, and we will be utilising four hotels for the accommodation, all of which are close to the conference venue.

A feedback survey was sent out following Congress 2018 and comments were very favourable. Feedback has once again been taken on board and will hopefully enhance the delegate experience at Congress 2019.

If you have never been to this major annual meeting, or not attended Congress for a few years, we would encourage you to come along and experience the largest conference of its type in the UK. You will find the science both stimulating and rewarding and the social events are an excellent opportunity to network and exchange views and ideas.

Attendance at Congress can be recorded as part of your annual CPD, as is attendance at Workshops held during the event.

Congress 2019 will begin with the IAT AGM on Tuesday evening.

*Come along and find out what your Institute is doing and how you can get involved*

*Once registered you will be able to download the IAT Congress App, which will keep you up to date with all the information about Congress 2019 and enable you to book onto workshops and plan your time at Congress.*



Registration opens online Monday 10th September 2018

# Scientific Programme

A provisional programme for Congress 2019 will be published on the IAT website in December and a hard copy will be distributed in the January 2019 issue of the IAT Bulletin.

Workshops at Congress continue to prove very popular, with demand outstripping available places, so they will commence on Tuesday afternoon and run throughout the day on Wednesday and Thursday. We will ensure that workshops are repeated, so that as many delegates as possible have the chance to attend. Workshops will be on a variety of subjects and details will be available on the IAT website and Congress App as they become available. Online booking will be available in the run up to Congress 2019.

Paper presentations will include updates from the Home Office and the winning Andrew Blake Tribute Award paper. Full details of how to apply for the Andrew Blake Tribute Award can be found on the IAT website and in issues of the IAT Bulletin – the closing date is 11th November 2018.

## Provisional timings:

### Tuesday afternoon:

- 14.30 – 16.30 hrs Workshops
- 16.45 hrs Familiarisation tour and Ice Breaker session
- 18.00 hrs AGM
- 19.00 hrs Opening of Trade Exhibition, Wine Reception and Buffet

### Wednesday all day:

Workshops, Papers, Posters and Trade Exhibition

### Evening:

Dinner and Congress Quiz

### Thursday all day:

Paper presentations, Poster displays and presentations plus Trade Exhibition (closing at 14.30 hrs)

### Evening:

Gala Dinner

# Trade Exhibition

The Trade Exhibition will open on Tuesday evening. All lunches throughout Congress will be served at buffet stations in the Exhibition Hall. Tea and coffee breaks on Wednesday morning and afternoon and on Thursday morning will all be served in the Exhibition Hall.

The Trade Exhibition opening times are: Tuesday evening from 19.00 – 23.00 hrs, from 09.30 – 17.30 hrs on Wednesday and from 09.30 – 14.30 hrs on Thursday.

# Entertainment

The IAT offer a full delegate experience from arrival on Tuesday afternoon through to departure on Friday morning. This includes various social events.

On Tuesday afternoon, prior to the AGM, we will be offering the popular 'Ice Breaker' session. This will begin with a brief tour of the venue – to ensure everyone knows where they are going and what is taking place where. There will then be a chance to get to know fellow delegates in a relaxed and informal atmosphere. Everyone is welcome – not just first timers - the Ice Breaker is a very good way to meet people.

The Opening of the Trade Exhibition will take place on Tuesday evening with a wine reception and buffet served in the Trade Hall. This is an excellent opportunity to meet our wonderfully supportive trade exhibitors and see the latest innovations and equipment, as well as take part in various competitions to win some fabulous prizes.

On Wednesday evening, the ever popular Congress Quiz will make a welcome return and the Social Programme will culminate in the Gala Dinner on Thursday evening, giving you the opportunity to dress up and dance until the early hours of Friday!

A Provisional Programme including Workshop details and Booking information will be available on the IAT website in December and distributed with the January 2019 issue of the IAT Bulletin.

We look forward to seeing you at Congress 2019!

and also for Poster Displays – see information under Packages

# 2019 Packages

**Registration for Congress 2019 will be available online only.** The booking system will be open to delegates from **Monday 10th September 2018**.

To register go to **[www.iat.org.uk/congress](http://www.iat.org.uk/congress)**

Various delegate packages are available, ranging from one day to the complete package. Prices and details are set out on the opposite page.

Please ensure that you register by **Sunday 9th December 2018** in order to qualify for the early bird booking discount. Bookings received after this date will be charged at the higher rate.

The closing date for ALL Registrations is **Friday 22nd March 2019**.

Please note that the Programme and timings are subject to confirmation. Check the IAT website for the latest information - **[www.iat.org.uk/congress](http://www.iat.org.uk/congress)**

## Discounts:

There are several discounts available on packages (subject to confirmation by the Congress Committee):

Speakers: (closing date Friday 16th November 2018)

Free attendance at Congress

First Time paper Presenters: (closing date Friday 16th November 2018)

Free attendance at Congress

Workshop Presenters: (closing date Friday 16th November 2018)

*(Please note: Reductions apply to one presenter per Workshop ONLY)*

Free attendance at Congress

Poster submission: (closing date Thursday 28th February 2019)

A discount of £75 will be deducted from the full delegate package

Poster presentation: (closing date Wednesday 19th December 2018)

A further discount of £75 will be deducted from the poster submission fee paid

# Packages

Please ensure that any discounted prices claimed have been authorised by the Paper / Poster / Workshop Secretaries.

Member applies to current members of the IAT.

<b>Delegate Package</b> (ALL prices EXCLUDE VAT at relevant rate)	<b>Total for Payment</b> On or before 09/12/18	<b>Total for payment</b> On or after 10/12/18
<b>Full Delegate Package</b>		
Package A – Member	£830.00	£930.00
Package A – Non-member	£930.00	£1030.00
<b>One Day Attendance – Wednesday 10th April</b>		
Package C – Member	£180.00	£230.00
Package C – Non-member	£230.00	£280.00
<b>One Day Attendance – Thursday 11th April</b>		
Package C – Member	£180.00	£230.00
Package C – Non-member	£230.00	£280.00
<b>B&amp;B Monday night – (8th April) Trade delegates – Exhibitors</b>	£165.00	£165.00
<b>Discounts</b>		
Speakers – Free – Must be confirmed by Registrar	FOC	FOC
Workshop Presenter – Free – Must be confirmed by Registrar	FOC	FOC
Poster Display – Member	£755.00	£855.00
Non-member	£855.00	£955.00
Must be confirmed by Poster Secretary		
Poster Presentation – Member	£680.00	£780.00
Non-member	£780.00	£880.00
Must be confirmed by Poster Secretary		

Be sure to complete and submit your Booking Forms by **SUNDAY 9th DECEMBER 2018** in order to take full advantage of the early booking discount.

The closing date for Congress bookings will be **FRIDAY 22nd MARCH 2019**.

Early bird discount closes on Sunday 9th December 2018

# Packages

## Included in Full Package:

- Scientific Programme, Posters and Workshops.
- Access to one of the largest UK Trade Exhibitions - the official opening will take place prior to dinner on the evening of Tuesday 9th April and will close at 14.30 hrs on Thursday 11th April.
- Accommodation and meals for the duration of Congress and refreshments served during morning and afternoon breaks in the Trade Exhibition.
- Delegate pack - including name badge, handbook, congress app, notebook and other associated materials.
- Social Programme - culminating in the Congress Gala Dinner.

***Day delegate options are available.***

## Discount Benefits include:

- Give a Paper presentation as part of the Scientific Programme and receive a free Congress\*.
- First Time Presenters - also receive a free Congress and there is a monetary award for the best First Time presentation.
- Submit a Poster - receive reduced registration fee\*.
- Give a presentation to accompany your Poster and receive a further discount\*.
- A monetary prize is awarded for the Best Poster.
- Run a Workshop and receive a free Congress\*.

### Registration:

Registrations should be submitted online via **<http://www.iat.org.uk/congress>** and follow the link to the Delegate Registration Booking form.

Online registration will open on **Monday 10 September 2018**.

For further information, or if you are having problems registering online, please contact us at: [congress@iat.org.uk](mailto:congress@iat.org.uk)

\*Subject to confirmation by the Congress Committee

**Closing date to Register – Friday 22nd March 2019**