

Call for Abstracts

**Older Persons:
The Future of Care
4-7 October 2010**

**De Doelen, Rotterdam,
The Netherlands**

**Fourth European
Nursing Congress**



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Introduction

All European countries are facing a growing population of older persons. Demographic studies indicate that by 2050, Europe will have 173 million people of age 65 and above; this amounts to 27.6% of the total population.

Most older persons are in good health and have a good standard of well-being. Health problems frequently occur in people of age 75 and above. The incidence of chronic diseases increases with the years and the prevalence of functional deficits increases substantially.

Our current healthcare system is not prepared for the growing population of older persons.

Older persons are often marginalised and kept on the sidelines. Even today, many nurses, with the exception of those that work in nursing homes, do not believe that the ageing of the population will affect them. This is not the case, however, as in the future, nurses in all fields of care

will encounter a growing number of older patients.

The specific demands of older persons create a challenge for nurses.

In the fourth European Nursing Congress, the central theme is older persons as the future of care.

In this congress, nurses from all fields of health care, including home care workers, general hospital staff, mental health professionals and carers for the mentally disabled, are invited to share their methods and their research findings with regard to care for older persons.

The motivation and training of students to care for older persons is another key component. To ensure quality of care for older persons both now and in the future, issues regarding the labour market and labour saving must be brought into focus. How can we create greater efficiency of care by means of, for example, technological support? Innovation, new ideas and creativity in organising care will be highlighted during the Congress.



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TYPES OF SESSIONS

Keynote Lectures (KL)

Well-known senior scientists or leaders in the field of nursing or the care of older people will present keynote lectures. These sessions each have a duration of 30 minutes.

Key note speakers include:

Prof. Elizabeth Capezuti, Ph.D., RN, FAAN

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John A. Hartford Foundation Institute for Geriatric Nursing

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Symposia (S)

Symposia are scientific sessions that are chaired by 3 to 4 speakers, preferably representing different countries, and which feature one specific topic. These presentations last for 90 minutes. Symposia focus on research and are scheduled in the congress's scientific programme.

Poster Sessions (PS)

Poster presentations are grouped by topic. Poster presenters are requested to be present at their poster site during these sessions. Poster sessions can focus on both scientific research or innovative projects with regard to clinical practice, management/leadership and education.

Oral Presentations (OP)

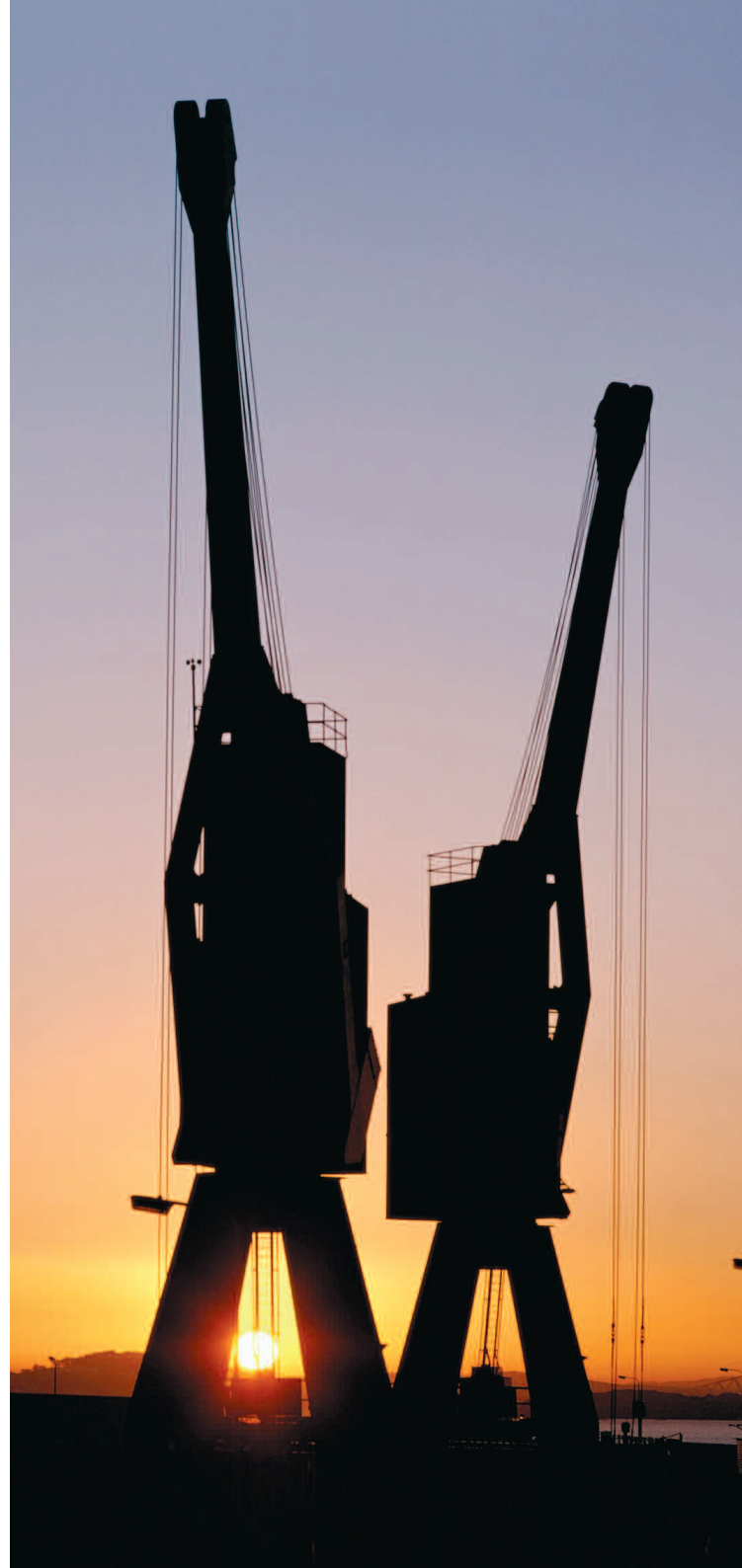
Oral presentation sessions will feature a 90-minute-long presentation by 6 speakers on a topic of their choice. These presentations can focus on both scientific research or innovative projects in clinical practice, management/leadership and education.

Workshops (WS)

These sessions address clinical, educational, scientific or management/leadership-related topics, and are 60 minutes long.

Round-table discussion (RT)

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Symposia, poster sessions and oral presentations

Proposals for symposia, poster sessions and oral presentations can be submitted via the congress website's online system, at www.rotterdam2010.eu.

Symposia

A limited number of symposia will be included in the scientific programme of the 4th European Nursing Congress, entitled 'Older Persons: The Future of Care'. The Programme Committee and Scientific Advisory Board hereby invites you to submit proposals for symposia to be presented at the congress. The deadline for submission is 15 January 2010. The congress programme is primarily organised around 17 key themes.

When you submit your abstract for a symposium, you must address one of the following themes:

01. Care for older persons in Europe in 2025
02. Social participation of older persons
03. Attitudes towards ageing
04. Promotion of health and well-being in older persons
05. Family and informal care givers
06. Ethics and older persons
07. Use of technology in future care for older persons
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12. Palliative care
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14. Management and leadership in care for older persons
15. Manpower issues and the labour market
16. Financial issues regarding care for older persons
17. Education and training of students in care for older persons

The key themes cover all fields of health care, including:

- General and university hospitals
- Nursing homes
- Public health
- Residences
- Care for mentally disabled people
- Mental health care
- Rehabilitation centres
- Home care



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Online submission procedure:

When submitting your proposal, please select one of the 17 key themes that best describes the content of your submission. Proposals for symposia in **English** can only be submitted online, between **15 September 2009 - 15 January 2010**. Please note that any submissions received **after 15 January 2010 will not be considered**. To facilitate the review process, please ensure that you complete all application fields. Incomplete applications cannot be processed.

The proposal should include the following information:

- **Title of the symposium (max. 100 characters)**
- **Abstract body (max. 500 words)**
 - * **Introduction**
 - * **Methods and materials**
 - * **Results**
 - * **Conclusion.**

Review process

The Programme Committee and Scientific Advisory Board will review all proposals that are submitted on time and that are in accordance with the specified format. The congress organisers reserve the right to reject any proposals which fail to comply with the submission guidelines mentioned above. Symposia will be selected based on the scientific interest of the topics, the relevance to scientific breakthroughs expected in the near future and/or notable achievements of the speakers in the field. Proposals may be accepted in their original form, although in some cases,

the Programme Committee and Scientific Advisory Board may accept a proposal on the condition that the congress organisers accept all modifications deemed necessary to improve the proposal and/or to make it coherent with other selected symposia. Applicants will receive notification of decisions regarding submissions by March 2010. If you have any questions, please contact the organising secretariat at info@rotterdam2010.eu.

Notification of acceptance

All applicants will be notified of the outcome of their submission by e-mail, no later than March 2010. Further details for accepted presentations will be sent at the end of June 2010, indicating the time, session and location of the presentation. The proposals will be definitively accepted once the applicant replies to this and officially confirms their participation.

For administrative purposes, once the different partners have agreed on a proposal, the proposed chair will act as the main organiser. All communication with the congress secretariat will be done exclusively by the main organiser. Speakers of accepted symposia will be requested to prepare and submit an abstract for publication in the abstract book of the congress - supplement of an international nursing magazine - which will be distributed to all participants at the congress.



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Registration of presenting authors and chairs

Please note that submitting a proposal for presentation at the 4th European Nursing Congress does not constitute registration for the congress. Although authors of accepted abstracts will receive a €50 discount on the main congress fee, no discount is available for day tickets.

Participants attending the congress are required to register and pay the registration fee. This includes all authors, co-authors and session chairs of accepted presentations.

All authors accepted for presentation must register for the congress before the end of May 2010 in order to confirm their participation. Failure to do this can result in the loss of your presentation slot.

Online registration is available in February 2010 via the congress website (www.rotterdam2010.eu).

Accommodation and transportation are the responsibility of the symposium organiser and/or speakers.

Important dates

Deadline for submission:

15 January 2010.

Review of submitted proposals:

16 January - 1 February 2010.

Notification of decisions regarding submitted proposals:

March 2010.

If you have any questions or require further information, please contact the organising secretariat at: info@rotterdam2010.eu.

Agreement and disclosure

All authors are requested to disclose potential conflicts of interest. Potential conflicts of interest can involve grants, honoraria, shares, paid positions on advisory boards etc.

By submitting an abstract, all proposed participants automatically agree to the following criteria:

- The proposal must comply with ethical guidelines for scientific research in general, and in particular, for human and animal research.
- The Programme Committee and Scientific Advisory Board will not consider incomplete proposals or any proposals that include persons who are not eligible (see above guidelines).
- Each one of the proposed participants has given his/her consent to the usage of the proposal and upon acceptance, is obliged to participate in the congress.
- If the proposal is accepted, each speaker accepts the conditions of participation in the congress as defined by the congress organisers.
- The Programme Committee and Scientific Advisory Board may require changes of speaker or topic before final acceptance.
- The congress organisers may refuse any change to a proposal after it has been accepted by the Programme Committee and Scientific Advisory Board, and therefore may reject symposiums which no longer correspond to the approved proposal. Any change must have the prior approval of the Programme Committee and Scientific Advisory Board.
- Under no circumstances can the congress organisers be held liable for the content of a proposal with respect to its participants or any other person or institution.



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Poster sessions and oral presentations

Introduction

Submitted abstracts will be included in the programme of the 4th European Nursing Congress, Rotterdam, 4-7 October 2010. The Programme Committee and Scientific Advisory Board invites you to submit abstracts (for oral and poster presentations) to be presented at the congress.

The deadline for submission is **15 January 2010**.

All applicants will be notified of the outcome of their submission by e-mail within three months of submission, and no later than March 2010. The congress programme is primarily organised around 17 key themes.

When you submit your abstract, you must address one of the following themes:

The abstract must address issues relating to a coherent theme that is of interest to a broad audience. Each oral presentation session will have five to six speakers and last for a total of 90 minutes. Posters will be presented during the poster sessions. All speakers/presenters are required to register and pay the registration fee.

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Abstracts for oral presentations must contain research results. Abstracts for poster sessions can also address research frameworks and ongoing clinical, educational or research projects.

Submission of abstracts is limited to two abstracts per presenting author. Should an individual participate in more than one session, the Programme Committee and Scientific Advisory Board cannot guarantee that those presentations will be scheduled in non-conflicting time periods. It is assumed that the first author will be the presenter. By submitting an abstract at the 4th European Nursing Congress, authors automatically authorise the

congress organisers to publish the abstract and paper, to submit the abstract and paper for publication, and to include the abstract and paper in any congress publications.

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Important dates

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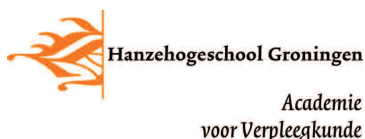
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