

## 23<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL MEETING

European Academy of Childhood Disability  
8 -11 June 2011, Rome – Italy

Angelicum Congress Center  
Largo Angelicum 1, Rome - Italy

# Childhood Disability Rehabilitation Art and Science



**SIMFER**

Società Italiana  
di Medicina Fisica  
e Riabilitazione  
Sezione di  
Riabilitazione  
Infantile

**Invitation, Registration and  
Call for Abstracts:**  
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**SINPIA**

Società Italiana di  
Neuropsichiatria  
dell'Infanzia e  
dell'Adolescenza  
Sezione di  
Riabilitazione

## *Welcome to Rome*

The EACD is an academic association of professionals working with children with disability throughout Europe. Our aim is to ensure the development of high quality research and teaching in the field of childhood disability; improve the care these children receive; raise professional standards throughout Europe.

The EACD Scientific Committee and Bambino Gesù Children's Hospital invite you to the 23rd Annual Meeting of the European Academy of Childhood Disability, on 8-11 June 2011 in Rome, Italy.

The theme of the Meeting is "CHILDHOOD DISABILITY REHABILITATION: ART AND SCIENCE". Medicine can be defined both as an art and a science, but often these two components have been separated or even put in conflict. The "art" of medicine, which is integrated with scientific knowledge, may be considered according to two perspectives: the awareness of the complexity of medical activity, requiring more individualized approaches, and the search of a "meaning" in the experience of a person's illness. This "humanistic" approach is central to our work in childhood disability and will be one of the aims of the Meeting. Rome, "the eternal city", admired for its history, culture and magnificence, is the best frame for this challenge.

The scientific program, with keynote presentations by recognized experts in the fields of neuroscience and neurorehabilitation, includes topics ranging from neurobiology to neurorehabilitation, from Evidence Based Rehabilitation to new technologies and robotics, from theory to practice. Two workshops are organised by International Paediatric Brain Injury Society (IPBIS) and the European Paediatric Neurology Society (EPNS). A Joint Session on Past and future initiatives relating to Eastern Europe and the Commonwealth of Independent States is organised by EACD and EPNS. Moreover, the Annual Paediatric Congress of the Italian Society of Physical Rehabilitation (SIMFER) and the Italian Society of Child Neuropsychiatry (SINPIA) will be hosted. These events will give an excellent opportunity to exchange views and create future collaborations.

Mrs Roberta Angelilli, Vice President of the European Parliament, will close the EACD 2011 Meeting designing the future strategies of European politics and research in childhood disabilities.

The meeting will be held in the "Angelicum Congress Center" in the heart of Rome, close to the monuments of Ancient Rome (the Colosseum, the Arch of Constantine, the Roman Forum and many other superb archaeological areas). In addition to museums, galleries, grand historic palaces, and exhibition centres like in no other city in the world, Rome has a vast and complete array of accommodation facilities suiting all pockets and needs. Social events will be organised for you to enjoy the best of Rome in June. We look forward to welcoming you!

Ciao!!

*Enrico Castelli*

**President of the 2011 EACD Meeting**

# COMMITTEES

## HONORARY COMMITTEE

**Bambino Gesù Children's Hospital, Rome - Italy**

**Giuseppe Profiti**, President

**Bruno Dallapiccola**, Scientific Director

**Massimiliano Raponi**, Director of Healthcare Department

## SCIENTIFIC COMMITTEE

**Enrico Bertini** - Italy

**Rainer Blank** - Germany

**Enrico Castelli** - Italy

**Claudio Cini** - Italy

**Giovanni Cioni** - Italy

**Lieven Lagae** - Belgium

**Vincenzo Leuzzi** - Italy

**Eugenio Mercuri** - Italy

**Simonetta Muzzini** - Italy

**Donatella Valente** - Italy

**Mauro Ventura** - Italy

**Chiara Veredice** - Italy

**Federico Vigevano** - Italy

## LOCAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE

**Bambino Gesù Children's Hospital, Rome - Italy**

**Enrico Castelli**, President

**Enrico Bertini**

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## EACD GENERAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

**Hans Forssberg**, Chairman - Sweden

**Paul Gorham**, Treasurer - UK

**Leena Haataja**, Secretary - Finland

**Rainer Blank**, Chairman Scientific Committee - Germany

**Eva Brogren Carlberg** - Sweden

**Bernard Dan** - Belgium

**Carmen Matey** - Spain

**Vlatka Mejaški-Bošnjak** - Croatia

**Lindsay Pennington** – UK

**eral Topçu** - Turkey

## CONFIRMED SPEAKERS

**Pierre Ancet** - France  
**Roberta Angelilli** - Vice President of the European Parliament - Italy  
**Catherine Aaro Jonsson** - Sweden  
**Albert P. Aldenkamp** - The Netherlands  
**Janette Atkinson** - UK  
**Tomislav Benjak** - Croatia  
**Enrico Bertini** - Italy  
**Rainer Blank** – Germany  
**Giorgio Bordin** - Italy  
**Giovanni Buccino** - Italy  
**Paolo Cappa** - Italy  
**Enrico Castelli** –Italy  
**Paola Castelli Gattinara** - Italy  
**Tony Charman** – UK  
**Antonella Cerchiari** - Italy  
**Claudio Cini** - Italy.  
**Giovanni Cioni** - Italy  
**Samuele Cortese** - France  
**Ghislaine Dehaene-Lambertz** - France  
**Olivier Delalande** – France  
**Joseph Dutkowsky** - USA  
**James Fawcett** - UK  
**Elisa Fazzi** - Italy  
**Adriano Ferrari** - Italy  
**David Antonio Fletzer**- Italy  
**Flavio Giordano** - Italy  
**Carol A. Hawley** -UK  
**Kate Himmelmann** - Sweden  
**Colin Kennedy** -UK  
**Ingeborg Krägeloh-Mann** – Germany  
**Ingela Kristiansen** - Sweden  
**Vlatka Mejaski Bošnjak** - Croatia  
**Eugenio Mercuri** - Italy  
**Filippo Muratori** - Italy  
**Jacqueline Nadel** – France  
**Franco Nardocci** - Italy  
**Giuseppe Palieri** -Italy  
**Antonio M. Persico** – Italy  
**Maurizio Petrarca** - Italy  
**Terry E. Pountney** - UK  
**Daniela Ricci** - Italy  
**Terence D. Sanger** - USA  
**Vincenzo M. Saraceni** - Italy  
**Philip Shaw**- USA  
**Anna Carla Turconi** - Italy  
**Domenico Uliano** -Italy  
**Patrick Van Bogaert** - Belgium  
**Chiara Veredice** - Italy  
**Federico Vigevano** - Italy  
**Beth Wicks** – UK  
**Lucia Willadino Braga** – Brasil

## MAIN TOPICS

- Brain plasticity and repair
- Cerebral Palsy
- Movement disorders
- Communication disorders
- Autistic spectrum disorders
- Evidence Based Practice
- Epilepsy
- Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder
- Cognitive disorders and Learning difficulties
- Developmental visual impairments
- Acquired brain injuries
- New technologies and rehabilitation
- Behavioral disorders
- Family psychological dynamics
- Neuromuscular diseases
- Ethical issues

## IMPORTANT DATES

14 March 2011 *Deadline for abstract proposals*  
31 March 2011 *Deadline for early registration*  
29 April 2011 *Notification to authors*

## ORGANIZING SECRETARIAT

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# GENERAL INFORMATION

Accommodation, social program and general information are available at the web site:

[www.eacd2011.com](http://www.eacd2011.com)

Several hotels, near the Congress venue, have been selected and will apply a special rate to the participants in the EACD Meeting (so please specify when booking).

Every communication/request should be addressed directly to the hotel.

Plenary and main parallel sessions will have simultaneous translation from English to Italian.

## REGISTRATION FEES

| Participants Fees             | Until 31 March 2011 | From 31 March To 30 April 2011 |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------|
| Non-Physician EACD member     | 350 €               | 400 €                          |
| Non-Physician non-EACD member | 400 €               | 450 €                          |
| Physician EACD member         | 450 €               | 500 €                          |
| Physician non-EACD member     | 500 €               | 550 €                          |
| Student                       | 200 €               | 250 €                          |
| Parent                        | 100 €               | 100 €                          |
| Gala dinner                   | 75 €                | 75 €                           |

## VENUE

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