

4th World Congress for NeuroRehabilitation

WCNR 2006, Hong Kong

12-16 February 2006

Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre

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IMPORTANT DATES

- Deadline for Submission of Abstracts: 31 August 2005
- Registration Deadline for Presenting Authors: 15 September 2005
- Deadline for Early Bird Registration: 31 October 2005



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Welcome Messages

We are delighted that Hong Kong has been chosen to host the 4th World Congress for NeuroRehabilitation (WCNR 2006) on 12-16 February 2006. The event will be a precious occasion for multi-disciplinary rehabilitation professionals and scientists from around the world to share knowledge and advances in neurorehabilitation.

Hong Kong is a dynamic city with an intriguing and ever-changing mix of East and West, modernity and tradition. Often referred to as the pulsating "heartbeat" of Asia, Hong Kong thrives as one of the world's most fascinating cities. We have 67 international airlines offering more than 1,500 scheduled direct round-trip services weekly between Hong Kong and over 120 other cities. Hong Kong's liberal visa policy means that nationals of some 170 countries can visit Hong Kong visa free.

The 4th World Congress for NeuroRehabilitation (WCNR 2006) will take place at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre, on the shoreline of splendid Victoria Harbour. The Centre is the largest and most impressive exhibition and meeting facility in Hong Kong. Many hotels are located within an easy walking distance and some of the territory's finest restaurants located nearby offer a unique gastronomic experience of the finest cuisines of the world.

Cultural events, a gala dinner, excursion to local sceneries and post-conference tours to historic sites in mainland China are some of the events you may choose to attend. There will be plenty of opportunities for academic interchange and the sharing of friendship. We are confident that this will be a congress remaining long in the memory of all participants.

Excitement awaits each and every one of you in Hong Kong!

Leonard S.W. Li

Congress Chairman, Local Organizing Committee

Many of you will recall the excellent meetings we have held in Newcastle, Toronto and Venice. The Hong Kong meeting looks to be living up to the same high standards and we hope for even more attendees.

The programme is an exciting mixture of neuroscience and practical clinical neurorehabilitation. There is something for all participants. In addition to the scientific and educational content, there is Hong Kong itself - one of the world's most fascinating cities.

Neurological rehabilitation has continued to grow since we met in Venice and there are now 14 National Societies and Interest Groups in 5 continents - with more about to be formed. There are now over 3,500 members in over 70 countries. This is a time of development and expansion for our field. Our Hong Kong meeting will consolidate our knowledge and point the way forward. I look forward to seeing you in Hong Kong in 2006.

Michael Barnes

President, World Federation for Neurorehabilitation

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World Federation of Occupational Therapists

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Chinese Society of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation
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Hong Kong Society of Child Neurology and
Developmental Paediatrics
Hong Kong Society of Neurosciences
Hong Kong Society for Rehabilitation
Hong Kong Stroke Society

Programme-at-a-Glance

12 February 2006 (Sunday)	Time	13 February 2006 (Monday)	14 February 2006 (Tuesday)	15 February 2006 (Wednesday)	16 February 2006 (Thursday)
Pre-Congress Workshops	08:30 – 10:30	Main Symposium I	Main Symposium II	Main Symposium III	Main Symposium IV
	10:30 – 11:00	Poster Viewing / Tea break			
	11:00 – 12:30	Parallel Session 1 (4 concurrent)	Parallel Session 3 (4 concurrent)	Parallel Session 5 (4 concurrent)	Parallel Session 7 (4 concurrent)
Lunch Break	12:30 – 14:00	Lunch: 1. Poster Video conferencing session 2. Lunch Symposia			
Pre-Congress Workshops	14:00 – 15:30	Free Paper Sessions	Free Paper Sessions	Free Paper Sessions	Free Paper Sessions
	15:30 – 16:00	Poster Viewing / Tea break			
	16:00 – 17:30	Parallel Session 2 (4 concurrent)	Parallel Session 4 (4 concurrent)	Parallel Session 6 (4 concurrent)	Parallel Session 8 (4 concurrent)
Opening Ceremony & Welcome Reception	17:30 – 18:30	Satellite Symposia			
	19:00			Gala Dinner	

The Programme is subject to change without prior notice. For most updated information, please check www.wcnr2006.com.

Main Symposia

I. Neuroplasticity and Recovery of Brain Function

- Overview: Can Clinicians induce Plasticity-associated Behavioral Gains with Rehabilitation?
(Chair) Dr. Bruce Dobkin, University of California, Los Angeles (USA)
- Neuronal Regeneration after Stroke: Molecular Control of Axonal Sprouting and Neurogenesis
Prof. S. Thomas Carmichael, University of California, Los Angeles (USA)
- MRI and TMS reveal how Training, Drugs and Stimulation Paradigms affect Plasticity and Behavior
Dr. Leonardo Cohen, National Institutes of Health (USA)

II. Motor Control in Neurorehabilitation

- Introduction
(Chair) Prof. Michael Selzer, University of Pennsylvania Medical Center (USA)
- Understanding the Pattern of Functional Recovery after Stroke
Dr. Gert Kwakkel, University Medical Centre Utrecht and VU University Medical Centre (The Netherlands)
- Neuromuscular Biodynamics
Prof. Scott Delp, Stanford University (USA)

III. Rehabilitation: Human / Machine Interface

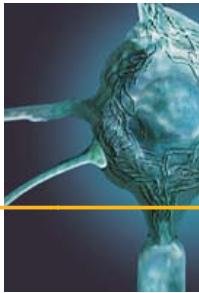
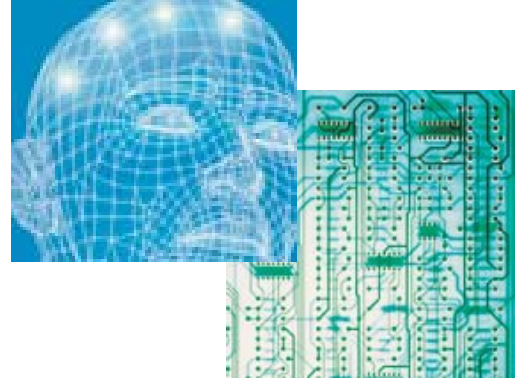
- Introduction
(Chair) Prof. Michael Weinrich, National Institutes of Health (USA)
- Development of a Wearable and Mobile Rehabilitation Robot
Dr. Jiping He, Arizona State University (USA)
- Rehabilitation Robotics and Stroke
Dr. Hermano Igo Krebs, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (USA)

IV. Genes, Plasticity and Recovery

- Introduction
(Chair) Prof. Stephanie Clarke, Centre Hospitalier Universitaire Vaudois (Switzerland)
- Outcome from Brain Injury: ApoE and other Genetic Influences
Prof. James Nicoll, University of Southampton (UK)
- Genes, Experience and Neural Plasticity
Prof. Mu-ming Poo, University of California (USA)

Parallel Sessions

- Aphasia and Communication
- Autonomic Neuropathy
- Bladder & Bowel / Sexual Rehabilitation
- Challenging Behaviour
- Cognitive Rehabilitation
- Cross Cultural Issues
- Depression
- Educational and Occupational Consequences of Traumatic Brain Injury
- Epilepsy
- Ethics in Neurorehabilitation
- Exercise and Sport Disability in Neurorehabilitation
- Headache / Pain Management
- Mild Traumatic Brain Injury
- Neurophysiology
- Paediatric Neurological Rehabilitation I, II and III
- Peripheral Neuropathy & Neuromuscular Rehabilitation
- Prolonged Coma, Apallic Syndrome / Vegetative and Minimally Conscious State
- Quality of Life Issues & ICF
- Rehabilitation Management
- Rehabilitation of Neurological Trauma / Tumor Surgery
- Research Design and Clinical Trials
- Spinal Cord Injury Rehabilitation
- Stem Cell Transplant
- Swallowing Disorders
- Tele-rehabilitation
- Traditional Chinese and Alternative Rehabilitation
- Update on Stroke Rehabilitation I and II
- Update on Parkinson's Disease and Dementia Rehabilitation
- Update on Multiple Sclerosis



List of Confirmed Speakers for Parallel Sessions

Holger Baumgartner (Austria)
Jose Berciano (Spain)
Mihai Berteanu (Romania)
Bastiaan Bloem (The Netherlands)
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Tiebin Yan (China)
Wise Young (USA)
Mauro Zampolini (Italy)
Nathan Zasler (USA)

Pre-Congress Workshops (12 February 2006, Sunday)

WS-01 Autonomic Neurorehabilitation (Half Day)

Guest speaker: Prof. Pietro Cortelli (Italy), Prof. Christopher Mathias (UK) and Prof. Marcus Naumann (Germany)

Target professionals: Neurologists, neurorehabilitationists, physiotherapists, occupational therapists, behavioural psychotherapists, dietiticians and in particular the nursing fraternity, especially specialist Parkinson's disease and allied nurses, involved in the care of such patients.

Description: With an emphasis on key clinical aspects, and autonomic disorders causing cardiovascular and sudomotor dysfunction, this Workshop has been designed to provide the basic background, followed by details on the clinical problems, investigation and aspects of management that relate to disorders of the autonomic nervous system that affect vital integrative systems, and in particular the cardiovascular and thermoregulatory (sudomotor) systems. It will be an interactive session with three keynote speakers covering rare and common autonomic disorders. The first speaker will introduce the subject, and will deal with the classification of autonomic disorders and clinical features which need to be considered in neurorehabilitation. There will be two further sessions, the first on cardiovascular autonomic dysfunction, ranging from orthostatic hypotension due to 'fixed' autonomic disorders, (as in association with parkinsonism and diabetes mellitus), and also covering intermittent dysfunction, such as neurally-mediated syncope, that include the common conditions of vasovagal syncope in the young and carotid sinus hypersensitivity in the elderly. The newly described Postural Tachycardia syndrome (PoTS) will be discussed. The session on sudomotor dysfunction will cover both anhidrosis and hyperhidrosis; the latter will include newer therapies. Each speaker will ensure that the basic principles covering the various problems will be discussed, together with management strategies, based upon the information from relevant investigations. The overlap with various other neurological and allied disorders, ranging from Parkinson's disease, amyloidosis and diabetes mellitus will be covered. This Workshop will be an ideal initiator, linking with the main symposium on autonomic dysfunction.

WS-02 Clinical Research and Clinical Trials on Neurorehabilitation (Half Day)

Convenors: Prof. Holger Baumgartner and Prof. Franz Gerstenbrand (Austria)

Guest speakers: Dr. Raimund Buller (France) and Prof. Holger Baumgartner (Austria)

Target professionals: Doctors, Nurses and Government officials responsible for health and research

Description: In the Helsinki Convention 1964 is stated that for development in medicine trials human beings are necessary. Exact guidelines defined in the Good Clinical Practice (GCP), worked out in the ICH-GCP (International Conference for Harmonization) are the basis for clinical trials with main points of an exact protocol (investigator, sponsor, detailed program, insurance of patients and volunteers, monitoring and controlling system, data protection), acceptance by the local ethics committee and reporting of the findings to official health authorities.

The evidence-based medicine generally is requested for diagnosis and treatment, but has ethical problems by interference of several bias, different "Libraries" have a lack in Neurorehabilitation. Clinical trials for the important new medical field of neurorehabilitation are a great necessity.

WS-03 Devices for Augmentative Communication (Half Day)

Guest speakers: Dr. Eric Tam, Dr. Raymond Tong (Hong Kong) and Prof. Mary Ann Ronski (USA)

Target professionals: Doctors, Physiotherapists, Occupational Therapists, Speech Therapists and Rehabilitation Carers

Description: Communication is a basic human right, and is

essential for interacting with others. Devices for augmentative communication can help individuals who are unable to communicate effectively verbally by supplementing verbal communication or by communicating in an alternative way with others.

Different approaches have been developed to support users to express their needs, to transfer information, and to have better social interaction. Some forms of aided communication consist of items that don't need a power supply, such as communication books or boards. High-tech or electronic devices are also in the aided communication category, and could be a computer, a personal digital assistant (PDA) or a dedicated voice output device. Hardware input devices can be specially designed for each individual and software can be individualized for their needs.

WS-04 Dysphagia (Half Day)

Guest speakers: To be confirmed

Target professionals: Speech-language therapists, occupational therapists, nurses, physicians, and other interested rehabilitation specialists.

Description: Dysphagia is a common consequence of neurological disease and injury. In some cases, a swallowing disorder is life-threatening; in all cases it can affect quality of life, and have a dramatic impact on family and health care professionals as well as the patient. This workshop focuses on practical aspects of both the evaluation and treatment of dysphagia. Best-practice guidelines will be presented, and there will be opportunity for active discussion and questions.

WS-05 How to approach the Pusher Syndrome to the Therapists (Half Day)

Guest speakers: Prof. Paolo Tonin and Prof. Mauro Zampolini (Italy)

Target professionals: Therapists

Description: "Pusher syndrome" is a disorder of postural control, following left or right brain damage in which patients actively push away from the non-hemiparetic side with a tendency to fall toward the paralyzed side. The mechanisms underlying this disorder are still unclear. Investigations of patients with severe pushing behaviour show that perception of body posture in relation to gravity could be altered. In contrast, patients with pusher syndrome show no disturbed processing of visual and vestibular inputs determining visual vertical. The therapists are the target of this workshop. At the conclusion of this educational activity the participants should be able to identify the major mechanisms underlying the pusher syndrome, to evaluate the clinical consequences of this disorder and to program the correct rehabilitative interventions.

WS-06 The Nursing Care Needs of Patients in Low Awareness States (One Day)

Guest speakers: Miss Lizzie Oliver (UK) and Ms. Suzanne Phillips (France)

Target professionals: Nurses, Physiotherapists and Occupational Therapists

Description: The workshop will define awareness states and tools for their assessment, familiarise professionalson how to support families and consider the principles of nursing care of patients in low awareness states. This will include respiratory care, nutritional support, posture and pressure care management, continence, communication and long term placement requirements.

WS-07 Spasticity (Half Day)

Guest speakers: Ms. Julie Matthews, Mrs. Sandra Stark and Prof. Anthony Ward (UK)

Target professionals: Doctors, Nurses, Physiotherapists and Occupational Therapists

Description: The aim of this workshop is to cover the assessment and work-up of a patient requiring specialized treatment for adults

with spasticity. An emphasis will be placed on both the physical and pharmacological treatments in the overall management strategy and will cover casting, FES, chemical neurolysis (including botulinum toxin) and intra-thecal treatments. The role of surgery will also be described and the learning aim will be to provide delegates with a system for assessing patients and for addressing the rehabilitative needs of patients with spasticity. Delegates should have had experience of treating spastic patients and the workshop will equip them to consolidate their knowledge and to gain confidence in diagnosis of the problem and in treatment methods. A practical approach will be adopted through an interactive session.

WS-08 Post-traumatic Headache: Update on Assessment and Management (Half Day in the morning)

Guest speaker: Dr. Nathan Zasler (USA)

Target professionals: Physicians, Psychologists, Physiotherapists, Nurses and Pain Management Specialists

Description: This overview lecture will examine the etiology, diagnosis, as well as, the medical and psychological treatment of post-traumatic headache (PTHA). The major categories of headache pain in patients with TBI will be reviewed including musculoskeletal and myofascial, neuritic and neuralgic, tension, vascular/mixed, dysautonomic and other more uncommon etiologies. Sources of head and neck pain will be examined, as well as, mechanisms of PTHA. Assessment of PTHA relative to history (pre- and post-injury) and physical exam findings will be reviewed. Details regarding clinical presentations, as well as, medical and psychological treatment strategies will be discussed.

Objectives:

1. Review the basic sub-types of PTHA
2. Discuss etiologies of head pain
3. Examine the clinical history for PTHA

4. Address specific exam techniques for PTHA
5. Delineate medical treatment strategies for headache sub-types
6. Define chronic pain emotional and behavioral assessment strategies
7. Identify psychological and behavioral strategies for modulating pain and functional interference

WS-09 Independent Medical Evaluations (IMEs): What every Neurorehabilitation Clinician should know (Half Day in the afternoon)

Guest speaker: Dr. Nathan Zasler (USA)

Target professionals: Focused to physicians and psychologists but all interested can certainly attend.

Description: The purpose of this presentation will be to provide neurorehabilitationists with an in-depth discussion of the ins and outs of performing Independent Evaluations (IMEs) from the medical, medicolegal and business perspectives. Myriad topics will be covered dealing with the IME process as noted under the specific educational objectives to assist attendees in developing a full understanding of this important area of clinical practice that is generally learned through trial and error and not professional didactics.

Objectives:

1. Defining the IME and the IME process
2. Controversies regarding certifications and training
3. Intra-organizational differences of opinion regarding important aspects of the IME process
4. IME performance hints (both exam and report)
5. Contracts and fees
6. Medicolegal issues: do's and don'ts
7. Ethical practice issues germane to IMEs
8. Conclusions

Call for Abstract

Deadline for Submission: 31 August 2005

Notification of Acceptance: one month after submission

Registration Deadline for Presenting Authors*: 15 September 2005

*To facilitate the Scientific Committee's work, we encourage the presenting authors to submit abstract AND register for the Congress before 31 August 2005. Such authors will have a chance of winning a special prize through lucky draw.

Authors must submit online at www.wcnr2006.com. You will find detailed instruction for abstract submission on the website. Please note that only electronic submissions will be accepted. In case you do not have any Internet access, please contact the Congress Secretariat for alternative submission by email at abstract@wcnr2006.com.

All the accepted papers will be published in the Supplement of the Journal - **Neurorehabilitation & Neural Repair**. Abstracts by the presenting authors not registered before **15 September 2005** will not be published.

Awards:

Scientific committee will select the outstanding works among the submitted abstracts for the following awards. Young Investigator Awards are only open to presenting authors aged 40 or below.

- Best Oral Presentation Award
- Best Poster Award
- Young Investigator Awards (Best Oral Presentation and Best Poster)
- Best Paediatric Paper Award

Abstract Categories:

(Sub-categories can be found in the Online Abstract Submission form.)

- Disease-specific Rehabilitation
- Rehabilitation of Neurological Complications
- Cognitive Rehabilitation
- Cultural & Legal
- Neuroscience, Technology & Outcome Measurement

Lucky Draw Prize:
"Jade of Prosperity and Wealth"



Registration Information

Deadline for Early Bird Registration: **31 October 2005**

	Early Bird Rate (on or before 31 Oct 2005)	Regular Rate (after 31 Oct 2005)
Main Programme		
* Member Physicians ¹	HK\$2,730 / US\$350	HK\$3,510 / US\$450
* Non-member Physicians	HK\$3,510 / US\$450	HK\$4,290 / US\$550
* Trainees Physicians, Allied health professionals and Nurses	HK\$1,950 / US\$250	HK\$2,340 / US\$300
* Full-time Students ²		HK\$1,370 / US\$175
Pre-congress Workshops³		
* Half day		HK\$630 / US\$80
* One day		HK\$1,170 / US\$150

1. *Member: The members of World Federation for Neurorehabilitation (WFNR), Hong Kong Neurological Society (HKNS) and Hong Kong Association of Rehabilitation Medicine (HKARM).*
2. *A limited number will be available for full-time students. Reference letter from department head must be included for verification.*
3. *Pre-congress workshops are only open to registrants of Main Programme.*
4. *Registration fee includes attendance to all scientific sessions, Opening Ceremony, Welcome Reception, Coffee/Tea, Exhibition and Conference Satchel & Materials. **Gala dinner is not included.** Provision of lunch will be subject to availability of sponsorship.*
5. ***Scholarship** is available to delegates from developing countries. Priority will be given to delegates whose abstracts have been accepted for presentation. For further information, please contact the Congress Secretariat at registration@wcnr2006.com.*

Cancellation Policy:

Refund for cancellations of registration will be made subject to the following deadline and charges:

On or before 15 December 2005	50% of the amount paid
After 15 December 2005	No Refund

All cancellations must be made in writing to the Congress Secretariat and the refund will be made after the Congress. Please note that substitution is permitted on the basis that written notice is given prior to the start of the Congress.

Gala Dinner

The Gala Dinner will be held at the Jumbo Kingdom Restaurant, which will be the highlight of the Social Programme. Jumbo literally means "gem and treasure" in Chinese. You will experience an oriental extravaganza of the best of Chinese cuisine, have the opportunity of taking photo with the royal decoration and enjoy a breathtaking evening with Chinese culture and entertainment. **The cost of Gala Dinner ticket is HK\$600/US\$75 each.**



Hotel Information

Hotel	Star Rating	Room Type	Room Rate Per Night
H1. Grand Hyatt Hong Kong	★★★★★	• Garden View • Harbour View	HK\$1,695 / US\$218 HK\$2,034 / US\$261
H2. Renaissance Harbour View Hotel	★★★★½	• Garden View • Harbour View	HK\$1,469 / US\$189 HK\$1,808 / US\$232
H3. Novotel Century Hong Kong	★★★★	• Standard	HK\$904 / US\$116
H4. Luk Kwok Hotel	★★★★	• Standard	HK\$893 / US\$115
H5. The Empire Hotel Hong Kong	★★★★	• Standard	HK\$735 / US\$95
H6. Harbour View International House	★★★	• Standard	HK\$660 / US\$85

One night deposit is required to secure your hotel booking.

For Hotels H1 to H5: the rates include 10% service charge and 3% government tax.

For Hotel H6: the rate includes 10% service charge only and government tax is not required.

Sponsorship and Exhibition

The 4th World Congress for NeuroRehabilitation (WCNR 2006) will offer an excellent opportunity to the healthcare industries and related parties to promote relevant products and services to a targeted audience of key decision makers. Being sponsors or exhibitors of the Congress, your company will be able to enjoy special privileges and have the chance of maximum company exposure. More information is available upon request. Other suggestions for sponsorship are welcomed, please contact the Congress Secretariat.

Tour Programme

Hong Kong Island Tour

Begins with a tram ride up to the Victoria Peak for a panoramic view of the City and Harbour. From there you will go to Stanley Markets, renowned for bargain shopping. The tour will then return along the coast via Repulse Bay and Deep Water Bay to Aberdeen, the floating fishing village. You will make a stop at the local jewelry factory near Aberdeen which offers a chance to look at the art and craftsmanship that has made Hong Kong a centre for fine jewelry!

New Territories Tour

The New Territories is an enormously diverse rural and suburban area full of contrasts. The tour includes visit to the Wishing Tree in Taipo, Kam Tin Walled Village, "Chuk Lam Sim Yuen" – one of the Hong Kong's most impressive Buddhist Monasteries and a drive up to Hong Kong's highest mountain, Tai Mo Shan. From there you will visit a 700 years old fortified Hakka Village and reach the border lookout of Lok Ma Chau, looking out over the Shenzhen River to the Mainland.

Lantau Island Tour with Vegetarian Lunch

A fast and scenic drive along the expressway and the Tsing Ma Bridge soon takes you to this unspoiled island. Lantau with its natural beaches, simplistic fishing village, peaceful monastery neighboured by the world's largest outdoor bronze Buddha is an ideal destination for a wonderful day. The tour includes visit through Tsing Ma Bridge to Cheung Sha Beach, Tai-O Fishing Village, and Po Lin Monastery, with a Chinese vegetarian lunch.

Hong Kong Disneyland

Modeled after the original Disneyland in California, Hong Kong Disneyland features some of the best design elements from the Magic Kingdom at Walt Disney World, Tokyo Disneyland and Disneyland Paris. It will open in September 2005. Hong Kong Disneyland will be a familiar yet entirely fresh Disney experience for you and your family.

Beijing Tour

Don't miss a once-in-a-lifetime visit to the Great Wall, Ming Tombs (the burial site of 13 Ming Dynasty Emperors), Tiananmen Square, Forbidden City with its treasure-filled Imperial Palace, Temple of Heaven (a masterpiece of 15th Century Chinese architecture), Summer Palace and Lama Temple. Day-long excursion captures the atmosphere of old Beijing. After a typical Beijing-style dinner, guests will visit the traditional Laoshe Tea House to enjoy the art of brewing and drinking fragrant Chinese tea served with Beijing snacks, along with performances by regional folk artists. Enjoy some free time hunting for antiques at a shopping mall.

Shanghai Tour

Shanghai is the largest city in China, now undergoing a rebirth, but manages to maintain the charm of the 1920's when it was known as the "Paris of the Orient". You can explore the Pu Dong district, stroll along the Bund Waterfront and visit the vast Shanghai Oriental Broadcast Tower. Sightseeing tour to Shanghai Museum, classical Yu Yuan Garden in the heart of the old city and famous Zhujajiao Water Village (a 1000-year-old water town in the shape of a fan willed with a landscape of lakes and hills with ancient arched stone bridges, dugout canoes and buildings from the Ming and Qing Dynasty).

* Tours for various locations will be made available to delegates and the accompanying persons. The operation of the listed tours will be subject to change. Please contact the Congress Secretariat for further information.

For general information about Hong Kong, please visit our website at www.wcnr2006.com.

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