

# International Continence Society 2021 Incheon, South Korea

## Welcome to Incheon!

It is our pleasure to invite you to Incheon for the ICS 2021 Annual Meeting. Incheon is a seaport, and has historically been a gateway connecting Korea to the rest of the world. Now the city has transformed into an International Hub of East Asia. It is a perfect place to experience the old Incheon downtown and enjoy the modern Songdo International City. Songdo International City is part of the Incheon Free Economic Zone; it was developed by the Korean Government in 2009 to play a pivotal role of Northeast Asia's economic central.

Incheon is also near Seoul, the capital of South Korea. Seoul has a history of over 2000 years with beautiful ancient palaces and rich cultural heritages. It also hosted the 1988 Olympic Games.

As a passionate host, the Korean Continence Society is honored to propose the City of Incheon for hosting the ICS 2021 Annual Meeting. The participants will enjoy Incheon as much as the meeting. We eagerly wish to meet you in 2021 at Incheon, Korea!

#### ANNUAL MEETING CHAIR LOCAL SCIENTIFIC CHAIRS



Seung-June Oh, MD

- Professor of Urology, Seoul National University Hospital (SNUH), Korea
- General Director, Medical Device Innovation Center, SNUH
- President, Pan-Pacific Continence Society Attended 8 ICS meetings in the past ten years



Jang-Hwan Kim, MD

- Professor of Urology, Yonsei University Severance Hospital, Korea

  • Director of Planning Committee, Korean
- Continence Society
- Attended 8 ICS meetings in the past ten years



Lori A. Birder, PhD

- Professor, Medicine and Pharmacology and Cell Biology, University of Pittsburgh School
- Attended 8 ICS meetings in the past ten years

LOCAL ORGANISING **COMMITTEE** 



Osamu Yokoyama, MD

- Professor of Urology, University of Fukui,
- President, Japanese Continence Society
- · Attended 10 ICS meetings in the past ten years

#### LOCAL ORGANISING COMMITTEE



Yao-Chi Chuang, MD

- Professor of Urology, Kaohsiung Chang Gung lemorial Hospital, Taiwan
- President, Taiwanese Continence Society
   Attended 7 ICS meetings in the past ten years



Limin Liao, MD, PhD

- Professor and Chairman of Urology, China Rehabilitation Research Center, China
- President, Beijing Continence Society
- Attended 8 ICS meetings in the past ten years



Eun-Hee Yoo, MD

- · Chair and Professor, Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Kyung Hee University Hospital at Gandong
- Director of Academic Committee, The Korean **Urogynecologic Society**
- Attended 3 ICS meetings in the past 10 years



Man-Jung Hung, MD

- Associate Professor, Asia University & China Medical University
- Director of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, Asia University Hospital
- Attended 4 ICS meetings in the past 10 years

# **PROPOSED VENUE**

## Songdo ConvensiA, Incheon, South Korea

It is only 30 kilometers away (30 minutes by car) from Incheon International Airport, and is only minutes away from numerous tourist attractions.



# PROPOSED DATES

### October 12-15, 2021 (Tue - Fri)

Autumn is the most beautiful time of the year in Korea. People can enjoy colorful trees, perfect weather and delicious Korean cuisines. No major international holidays occur during October 12-15, 2021.

# **SOCIAL EVENT PROPOSALS**

#### Welcome Reception

• October 12 (Tue. evening)

• Venue: The ConvensiA Premier Ballroom (A+B+C)

#### Chairman's Reception

• October 13 (Wed. evening)

• Venue: Oakwood Hotel Panoramic 65 Bar

#### **Annual Dinner**

• October 14 (Thu. evening)

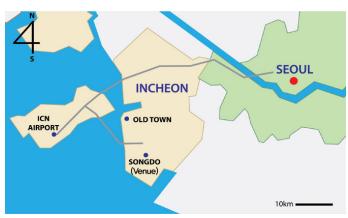
Venue: Wooryga Restaurant

# **TRANSPORTATION**

City of Incheon is home to Incheon International Airport or ICN. It is one of the largest and busiest airports in the world. With non-stop flights to 187 cities around the world, Incheon is highly accessible from most countries. Since 2005, it has been rated the Best Airport worldwide by Airports Council International for eleven consecutive years. It is also rated as the World's Cleanest Airport and the World's Best International Transit Airport by Skytrax.

Incheon International Airport also provides convenient transportation such as shuttles, express train KTX, taxis, and call-vans to local areas and major cities in Korea.





# **ACCOMMODATION**

There are 2,262 hotel rooms (3 to 5 stars) all within walking distance from Songdo ConvensiA, the proposed venue. Additionally, 3,290 rooms at university guest houses near the venue can be arranged. For reference, Incheon successfully hosted the 33rd World Veterinary Congress in August 2017, at Songdo ConvensiA where more than 5,000 people enjoyed the event.



# PROPOSED LEISURE ACTIVITIES: PRE AND POST CONGRESS TOUR PROGRAM

# Songdo City Tour

This tour lets you tour around entire Songdo, the ultimate high-tech planned city. The tour consists of a visit to the Compact Smart City, Tribowl, G Tower, and NC CUBE Canal Walk. Major shopping complexes in Incheon are within 20 minutes of Songdo



ConvensiA. You can also enjoy many eisure activities such as sightseeing, camping, golf, and more.

# Incheon City Tour



Incheon Chinatown is the city's historical landmark established in 1883. The place has become more popular among tourists since it was featured on a popular Korean TV program, Running Man.

For nature lovers, the Reed Bed Walk, the sea salt flat which produced the largest amount of sea salt in the 1970's that has been turned into an ecological park, and Sorae Ecology Park are great tourists' sites.

# **Ganghwa Island Tour**

Learn about the Korean traditional tea ceremony and try making Danju (wooden bead bracelets) in Jeondeungsa, one of the oldest temples in Korea.

# Seoul City Tour

Take a tour of Gyeonbokgung Palace, Namsan Hanok Village, N Seoul Tower and Gwangjang Market, a Korean traditional market. The tour consists of Korea's most famous tourist attractions that display the harmonious beauty of the old and new. Korea is also well known for K-culture, especially K-pop and K-dramas. You can experience the exciting, Korean-Wave.









# **DMZ Tour**

DMZ stands for Demilitarized Zone and it has been a restricted area for the past half century. This natural isolated area expands along 250 km; it has created an involuntary park which is now recognized as one of the most well-preserved areas of temperate habitats in the world.



# WHY INCHEON? WHY KOREA?

# **UNIQUE DESTINATION**

South Korea has a dynamic history as a country in East Asia. Experience Korea's unique culture, both old and modern, in Incheon and Seoul.

# **DIRECT ACCESS**

You can directly fly to Incheon from major cities in Europe, the United States and throughout Asia including the Middle East. The convention center and nearby hotels are less than 30 minutes away from the airport.

### SAFE AND CONVENIENT

Korea has a very low crime rate, and the city of Incheon is a safe city. It is also very convenient, with multiple modes of public transportation.

#### PASSIONATE HOST

1,000 members of the Korean Continence Society passionately and eagerly wish to host the 2021 ICS Annual Meeting in Incheon. We are confident that we will have strong support from the city of Incheon and the Korean government.

# DYNAMIC AND EXCITING

K-culture, including K-pop and K-dramas have expanded throughout not only Asia, but throughout the Europe and the U.S. as well. K-culture's popularity continues to increase and is closely followed by other countries. Experience the unique and trendy Korean culture in Incheon!

### **KOREA IS A STRATEGIC POST**

Korea plays a key role in bridging developed and developing countries in Asia. It is a strategic location to publicize the mission and vision of the ICS for the future.

# **SUPPORT**

# Strong Government Support by:

- Korea Tourism Organization
- Incheon Tourism Organization
- Incheon MICE Alliance
- Incheon Merchant Association





# Promised Cooperation and Support by:

- Korean Medical Association
- Korean Urological Association
- Korean Continence Society
- Korean Spinal Cord Society

