

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What are the official dates of the 9th World Congress on Preventive Dentistry?

The meeting dates are Monday, September 7 through Thursday, September 10, 2009.

What organizations are hosting this meeting?

The meeting is brought to you by the International Association for Dental Research and co-sponsored by the following organizations: World Health Organization, International Federation of Dental Educators and Associations, FDI World Dental Federation, Asian Academy of Preventive Dentistry, Thailand Dental Public Health Society, Thailand Department of Public Health/Ministry of Public Health, The Dental Association of Thailand and Thammasat University Faculty of Dentistry.

Who should attend?

Chief Dental Officers, dental public health researchers and administrators, governmental policy makers, NGOs focused on oral health, community directors for public health, preventive-focused health practitioners, and anyone with an interest in promoting oral health for all.

Where is the meeting taking place?

Hilton Phuket Arcadia Resort & Spa
Phuket, Thailand

The Hilton is located 45 minutes away from the Phuket International Airport and is situated on 75 acres next to Karon Beach and surrounded by green mountains. Phuket Fantasea theme park (40 minute drive away) and Chalong Temple (20-minute drive away) are located in the surrounding area.

Why Should I Attend?

Under the theme, "Community Actions for Global Alliances for Lifelong Oral Health for All", the WCPD program will bring together the latest preventive science with domestic and international health policies and best practices for community implementation and evaluation. Particular attention will be paid to involvement of communities and organizations in initiating, planning, implementing and evaluating oral health programs. The WCPD will build on previous declarations and resolutions, such as the WCPD 2005 Liverpool Declaration and the WHO 2007 World Health Assembly Oral Health Resolution, with a bias towards action.

When and how can I register?

Registration opens March 6, 2009. You may also download the registration application from our Web site and mail or fax with the appropriate payment.

If you are a current IADR Member, [click here to register](#).

If you are NON-IADR member, [click here to register](#).

NOTE: There is no difference in the registration fee for a non-member.

IMPORTANT: If you FAX your registration form or complete the form on the Internet, **DO NOT** mail the original, or you may be registered and charged twice..

What does the Meeting Delegate registration fee include?

Registration for the 9th WCPD Meeting includes the following:

- Hotel room for delegate; Arrival on Monday, September 10, departure on Thursday, September 10, 2009.
- Attendance at all sessions
- Program/Abstracts Book
- Opening Ceremony
- Coffee Breaks (provided September 8-10, 2009)
- Welcome Reception (September 8, 2009)
- Thai Night Banquet (September 9, 2009)
- Three breakfasts and three lunches (provided September 8-10, 2009)

Note: Participation in the pre- and post-WCPD workshops are not included in the registration fee.

Can I register without booking a hotel room at the Hilton Phuket Resort (meeting site)?

No. The registration fee is a package which includes all of the information above and cannot be separated.

What is included in the registration fee for an accompanying person?

The registration fee for registered accompanying persons entitles them to:

- Welcome Reception (September 8, 2009)
- Thai Night Banquet (September 9, 2009)
- Three breakfasts and three lunches (September 8-10, 2009)

Who qualifies to register as an accompanying person?

Accompanying persons are non-dentists, non-researchers, non-IADR members who may be traveling to Phuket with a meeting delegate and who have no scientific or educational interest in the meeting.

Accompanying persons are also sharing a hotel room with a meeting delegate (should you need your own room, please contact the IADR office for details). Meeting delegates' students, lab technicians, colleagues, past IADR members, co-authors, etc., do NOT qualify as accompanying persons and are required to pay the appropriate registration fee if they wish to attend. Accompanying persons are not eligible to attend any of the scientific sessions. Should you register in the wrong category, IADR reserves the right to charge your credit card the difference in appropriate registration fees.

Do I need to pre-register?

Pre-registration is strongly advised. Registrations received after the deadline date will be charged the on-site registration fee (an additional \$100.00 USD). Pre-registration will also guarantee your hotel reservation, as this is included in your registration fee.

I am a poster presenter. Do I need to register?

YES! All poster presenters are REQUIRED to pre-register for the meeting by July 24, 2009. If a presenter is not pre-registered by the deadline date, his/her abstract will be withdrawn from the General Session and will not be printed in the final Program Book. The abstract will also not be citable as part of the Special Issue of the *Journal of Dental Research*.

Can I submit an abstract for an oral presentation?

No, the submission of abstracts is open to just poster presentations (as the oral session include only invited speakers).

What is the abstracts submission deadline date and where can I submit my abstract?

April 24, 2009 is the deadline date and you can submit your abstract by [visiting this site](#).

What is the size of the poster board?

1m wide by 2m high. Please note the board is vertical in shape and not horizontal!

I need to update information on my submitted abstract – what do I do?

Visit this site <http://iadr.confex.com/iadr/wcpd2009/index.epl>. To view and edit existing abstracts, login at the bottom of the page using your abstract ID and password. *After the replacement deadline (April 29, 2009), you will only be able to view your abstract submission.*

When do I find out if my abstract has been accepted?

You will be notified by email of provisional acceptance or rejection by June 5, 2009.

If I pre-register, when will I receive my registration information?

You will receive a confirmation immediately if you register online but forms received via fax or mail will be issued a confirmation approximately 3-4 days after receipt of the form. All meeting materials will be distributed on site at the meeting and will NOT be mailed in advance.

I didn't receive my pre-registration materials. What should I do?

Contact meetings@iadr.org.

I am unable to pre-register and must register on-site, what should I be aware of?

Do not complete the pre-registration form if you plan to register on site (you will be required to complete a different form at the meeting). Payment in full must be made at the time of registration. Acceptable forms of payment are cash (U.S. Dollars and Thai Bahts only), traveler's checks (U.S. Dollars only), checks (from U.S. Bank, payable in U.S. Dollars only) and credit card (American Express, MasterCard or VISA only). IADR will not accept purchase orders, nor can we invoice you. *IADR cannot guarantee a hotel room upon arrival on site for on-site registrations (you must book your hotel room in advance through IADR).*

What is the cancellation/refund policy?

All registrations are subject to the cancellation policy. Cancellations must be made in writing. Telephone cancellations will NOT be accepted. Requests for refunds for registration must be received in writing by the deadline date. Refunds or credits will not be given for failure to attend, late arrival, unattended events or early departure. Refunds will be processed after the meeting. Please allow 2-3 weeks for credit card refunds and 4-6 weeks for check refunds.

Deadline dates:

On or before July 24, 2009 – Refund less US \$100 processing fee

After July 24, 2009 – No refund

Note: If you need to cancel your Lunch & Learning program and/or accompanying person registration, a full refund is available until February 16, 2009. After that date, no refund is available.

How do I get an invitation letter necessary to obtain a visa?

You can request a copy online when registering. If you have already registered and need to get a copy, you may request a copy by calling +1.703.548.0066 (9 a.m. – 5 p.m. EST, Monday through Friday) or send an e-mail to: meetings@iadr.org. Please be sure to have the following information available: date of birth, nationality, name as it appears in the passport, and passport number with expiration date.

Visit the Ministry of Foreign Affairs for the Kingdom of Thailand website to learn more about your specific country guidelines for visitation: <http://www.mfa.go.th/web/2637.php>

What airport services Phuket?

The Phuket International Airport (airport code HKT) is located in the southern part of Thailand (862 kilometers or 517 miles from Bangkok). Phuket International Airport is serviced by 10 airlines (domestic and international) with most flights connecting through Bangkok (less than 1½ hours' flight time). There are several direct flights per day from Singapore to Phuket (1 hour 45 minute flight time) and several direct flights between Phuket and other international destinations, e.g., Kuala Lumpur, Hong Kong, Penang, Singapore, and Sydney. Thai Airways, Dragon Air, Malaysia Airlines, Silk Air and Singapore Airlines service Phuket International Airport.

What are the ground transportation options?

Taxis between the Hilton Phuket Arcadia Resort & Spa and the airport cost approximately 650 Baht. Minivans charge approximately 180 Baht/person to the Karon Beach areas. Phuket Limousine operates hourly shuttles to the airport from 6:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., and information is available upon arrival at the airport.

What is the dress code?

There is no official dress code for the meeting. The majority of attendees wear professional dress/business casual for attending the presentations and business meetings.

Will there be child care available?

Should you require a babysitter during your stay, please contact the concierge at the Hilton Phuket Arcadia Resort & Spa, phuketarcadia@hilton.com.

Is there accessibility for persons with disabilities/special needs?

If you have a disability or special need that may have an impact on your participation in the Meeting and your housing needs, please note this on your registration form (online/FAX) or contact the IADR Meetings Department either prior to the meeting or on site to discuss your requirements, meetings@iadr.org.

How do I join the IADR?

[Click here to join.](#)

Who can I contact to discuss partnerships, sponsorships and/or advertising?

Contact Cate M. Reich, creich@iadr.org or +1.703.299.8093.

Questions?

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