

## About Berlin



Berlin is home to 3.5 million people from more than 186 countries. This diversity shapes the city and its appeal.

Its geographical position at the heart of Europe, its excellent travel and accommodation infrastructure and accessibility via its two airports serving many of the world's leading airlines make it the ideal venue for the EAPC World Congress 2019.



## Congress Venue

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# EAPC 2019

16<sup>th</sup> World Congress of the European  
Association for Palliative Care

Global palliative care – shaping the future



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## Be part of the EAPC 2019 World Congress in Berlin!

It is a pleasure to invite you to the 16th World Congress of the EAPC in Berlin, 23 – 25 May 2019. As questions are asked related to equitable access to palliative care in Europe and around the world, the congress “Global palliative care – shaping the future” will explore how palliative care fits with the current global health agenda.

Five years on from the adoption of the 2014 World Health Assembly Resolution on Palliative Care, the EAPC Berlin Congress is the perfect time to reflect on our progress in the development of palliative care globally and to identify areas where more needs to be done. Our Congress will take place shortly after the 2018 United Nations High Level Meeting on non-communicable diseases, and this will give delegates the opportunity to examine the extent to which palliative care has been included in universal health coverage within our various health systems.

The increasing recognition of the importance of palliative care in society is reflected in the growing number of EAPC Congress delegates who represent a range of disciplines from many countries throughout Europe and beyond. The EAPC World Congress provides a unique opportunity to network and meet with colleagues, clinicians, caregivers, researchers, volunteers and educators in palliative care from across the globe to exchange knowledge, to celebrate diversity and richness, make new links, new collaborations and develop lasting networks. We are expecting more than 3,000 delegates to attend and contribute to the congress.

Berlin is the capital of Germany and the country's largest city. It is the major centre for politics, culture and science. Berlin is easily accessible from many European cities and it is an ideal city to host the EAPC World Congress.

On behalf of all involved in EAPC 2019, we look forward to welcoming you to Berlin and the 16th World Congress of the European Association for Palliative Care.

**Dr. Anne Letsch**

Chair of the Local Organising Committee

**Dr. Sébastien Moine**

Chair of the Scientific Committee

## Plenary Lectures

### **Access to palliative care and pain relief – an imperative of universal health coverage**

Prof. M.R. Rajagopal, Trivandrum, India

### **Increasing the value of research in palliative care**

Dr. Katherine Sleeman, London, United Kingdom

### **The language of dying**

Dr. Monika Renz, St. Gallen, Switzerland

### **Early palliative care: when and how for generalists?**

Prof. Scott Murray, Edinburgh, United Kingdom

### **Is palliative care biased?**

Prof. Merryn Gott, Auckland, New Zealand

### **From crisis to sustainability – building palliative care with limited resources**

Dr. Christian Ntuzimira, Kigali, Rwanda

## Topics

- Inclusion of palliative care in universal health coverage
- Access to palliative care for vulnerable populations
- Paediatric palliative care
- Provider and patient advocacy
- Palliative care in non malignant conditions
- Health equity at the end of life
- Education in palliative care
- Palliative care for older people
- Palliative care and e-health
- Palliative care in cancer and haematological conditions
- Arts in palliative care

## Key Dates

<b>Abstract submission opens:</b>	<b>15 July 2018</b>
<b>Registration opens:</b>	<b>15 July 2018</b>
<b>Researcher award opens:</b>	<b>15 July 2018</b>
<b>Abstract submission deadline:</b>	<b>15 October 2018</b>
<b>Researcher award deadline:</b>	<b>30 November 2018</b>
<b>Early bird registration deadline:</b>	<b>15 February 2019</b>
<b>Registration deadline:</b>	<b>17 May 2019</b>

## Full Day Paediatric Palliative Care Seminar

Children's palliative care is an emerging speciality which has many similarities to adult palliative care but also some distinct differences.

In Berlin, for the first time, there will be a dedicated paediatric palliative care seminar. The paediatric palliative care scientific committee have developed an exciting programme for this inaugural event and gathered a range of interesting speakers, researchers and clinicians from throughout Europe. The programme reflects a range of contemporary topics in children's palliative care including clinical, ethical and political issues. The programme will also include oral and poster presentations selected from submitted abstracts. We invite you to join us in Berlin to discuss, debate and network with colleagues working in paediatric palliative care from Europe and beyond.

## Paediatric Palliative Care Plenary Lectures

### **Challenges of decision-making in paediatric palliative care**

Prof. Eduard Verhagen, Groningen, The Netherlands

### **Evidence based prescribing in paediatric palliative medicine**

Dr. Sat Jassal, Birmingham, United Kingdom

## Children's Palliative Care Topics

- Pain management
- Symptom control
- End-of-life decision-making
- Advance care planning
- Prevalence of life-limiting conditions

Delegates attending the main congress are very welcome to attend sessions at the children's palliative care seminar and vice versa.