

# EAPC 2019

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

Global palliative care – shaping the future

23 – 25 May 2019 | Berlin, Germany



Berlin: 16th World Congress of the European Association for Palliative Care, 23 -25 May 2019

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## **More than 3.000 delegates are expected to attend the 16th World Congress of the EAPC in Berlin!**

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. You will be at the core of the discussions and events, which aim to address the emerging challenges and opportunities our discipline will face in policy, research and clinical practice.

Five years on from the adoption of the World Health Assembly Resolution on Palliative Care, the EAPC World 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 takes place shortly after the 2018 adoption of the new Declaration of Astana which highlights palliative care as one of the key components of primary health care, after the United Nations High Level Meeting on non-communicable diseases and before the United Nations High Level Meeting on universal health coverage which will take place in New York in September 2019. The successes of palliative care now transcend its usual boundaries and the work of building bridges toward new landscapes is now deeply rooted in its DNA. Berlin provides you with the opportunity to examine the extent to which palliative care has been included in universal health coverage (UHC) and 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, patients advocates and educators in palliative care from across the globe. You will exchange knowledge with champions and enthusiasts to celebrate diversity and richness, make new links, new collaborations and develop projects during the time spent together. We are expecting more than 3000 participants to attend the congress.

Berlin is the capital of Germany and the major centre for politics, science, culture and art. Like Palliative Care, Berlin is dynamic, colourful and diverse and honoured and delighted to host the EAPC World Congress

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

*Sébastien Moine*

Chair of the Scientific Committee

*Anne Letsch*

Co-Chair of the Scientific Committee  
Chair of the Local Organising Committee

### **Scientific Programme:**

<https://www.eapc-2019.org/scientific-programme.html>

### **Press accreditation:**

<https://www.eapc-2019.org/press-accreditation.html>

### **Press Conference:**

23 May 2019, at 10:30 a.m., Room ESTREL C 1  
ESTREL Congress Center, Sonnenallee 225, 12057

### **Press office:**

**Room 30241** (2nd floor) with opening hours throughout the congress days.

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## **Plenary Lectures**

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

*Prof. M.R. Rajagopal, Trivandrum, India*

23 May, 9:00 – 10:30, Convention Hall II, Opening, Floriani Lecture

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

*Prof. Scott Murray, Edinburgh, United Kingdom*

23 May, 14:30 – 16:00, Convention Hall II, Plenary Session PL 2

### **The language of dying**

*Dr. Monika Renz, St. Gallen, Switzerland*

23 May, 14:30 – 16:00, Convention Hall II, Plenary Session PL 2

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

*Prof. Merryn Gott, Auckland, New Zealand*

24 May, 09:00 – 10:30, Convention Hall II, Plenary Session PL 3

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

*Dr. Katherine Sleeman, London, United Kingdom*

24 May, 09:00 – 10:30, Convention Hall II, Plenary Session PL 3

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

*Dr. Christian Ntizimira, Kigali, Rwanda*

25 May, 11:15 – 12:50, Convention Hall II, Plenary and Closing Ceremony PL 5

## **New: Full Day Seminars**

### **EAPC-Seminar „Paediatric Palliative Care“**

23 May, 08:00 – 18:15, Hall Europe

### **EAPC-ESMO-Seminar „Integration of oncology and palliative care“**

24 May, 09:00 – 18:15, Hall Europe