Dear Friends,

As you may be aware *The International Society of Gynecological Endocrinology* was founded in Geneva in 1986 and today we are proud to celebrate our first 20 years of activity whilst announcing our 13th World Congress to be held from *February 28th* to *March 2nd, 2008* in our official location, Florence.

How far we have gone since that day when a group of friends got together to establish the Society aiming to promote science and research into all aspects of gynecological endocrinology!

We have published 22 volumes of our journal Gynecological Endocrinology and organized 12 successful editions of our congress, devoting our activities to the basic and clinical research, to education and keeping our knowledge updated.

We have been part of the scientific progress in many fields: contraception, the link

between hormones and tumours, the discovery and characterization of the steroids and the protein hormones' receptors, and the possibility of developing molecules with agonistic or antagonistic properties according to the relevant receptor or the tissues where the receptors are expressed and the biological moment in which their action is performed.

And then the study of the impact of the reproductive hormones on other organs and apparatus: the brain, the cardiovascular and the immune systems, the impact on locomotion and the musculo-skeletal system, and then, again, the connective tissues, the mucosae, all the human senses, the sight, the hearing, the taste, the touch, the olfaction...the life... We have developed the reproductive possibilities and potentialities: the discovery of the control of follicular maturation and the superovulation mechanisms, and the possibility to obtain pregnancies that Mother Nature had denied.

The ISGE has become an important reality all over the world thanks to the continuous commitment and efforts of the international experts, members of our Society, and the active contribution of all our partners, physicians and young scientists.

I ask everyone of you to continue contributing with ideas, personal energy and initiative to help us grow even further and make our 13th World Congress another successful event!

Andrea R. Genazzani President of the I.S.G.E.

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The Society operates through the monthly Journal of Gynecological Endocrinology, the monthly newsletter GynEndo News and the biannual World Congress, a major scientific event which allows a perfect integration of renowned faculty members with talented young scientists presenting innovative research.

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Gynecological Endocrinology, the official journal of the <u>I.S.G.E.</u>, covers all experimental, clinical and therapeutic aspects of this ever more important discipline. It includes, amongst others, papers related to the control and function of the different endocrine glands in females, the effects of reproductive events on the endocrine system, the consequences of endocrine disorders on reproduction. To subscribe to the Journal or for more information please contact the ISGE Secretariat at info@gynecologicalendocrinology.org.



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All plenary, oral and poster presentations of the congress will be made available on-line.

Wine & Cheese Poster Session

The Wine & Cheese Poster Session will be held on Friday February 29th after the last session. The best three posters will be awarded with a prize of euro 1000 plus the free registration to the next Congress each, other three posters will be awarded with a free registration to the next Congress each. All prizes will be given during the Closing Ceremony on Sunday March 2nd.

Schedule of deadlines

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Submission of symposia proposal	November 1 st , 2007
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- 1. <u>Deadline for abstract submission is December 1st, 2007</u>
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Metabolic consequences of Polycystic Ovary Syndrome **Dunaif A (USA)**

How to define successful In Vitro Fertilization Fauser BCJM (The Netherlands)

Different estrogen receptors action in ovarian function Korach K (USA)

Estrogen receptor actions in the cardiovascular system **Mendelsohn M (USA)**

Sex, fat and cancer Simpson E (Australia) The creation of gametes from stem cells Simon C (Spain)

The bone: how the gynaecologist has to address osteoporosis

Ylikorkala O (Finland)

Premature Ovarian Failure in cancer treated patients Tempone A (Argentina)

TRT & metabolic syndrome Lunenfeld B (Israel)

Recent developments with TSEC's **Pickar J (USA)**

Regulation of extravillous trophoblast invasion by thyroid hormone **Maruo T (Japan)**

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THE HYPOTALAMUS- PITUITARY-OVARY AXIS AND THE HYPOTHALAMIC AMENORRHEA

Hypothalamic regulation of reproductive function Catt KJ (USA)

The role of stress in the pathogenesis of reproductive dysfunction in females

Chrousos GP (Greece)

The neuroendocrinology of recovery from functional hypothalamic amenorrhea Berga SL (USA)

Hypothalamic amenorrhea: new genetic development **Bouchard P (France)**

Neuropharmacological approaches to hypothalamic amenorrhea Genazzani AD (Italy)

THE METABOLIC SYNDROME IN WOMEN

Pre-natal origins of adult metabolic syndrome **Ozanne S (UK)**

Diabetes, obesity and the brain Schwartz M (USA)

Insulin resistance and women's health Lanzone A (Italy)

Metabolic syndrome Lunenfeld B (Israel)

Obesity and women's health **Milewicz A (Poland)**

THE POLYCYSTIC OVARY SYNDROME

Development of polycystic ovary syndrome: involvement of genetic and environmental factors **Franks S (UK)**

Weight-loss induces oligomenorrhea with increased LH/FSH ratio and polycystic appearing ovary Kotsuji F (Japan)

Metabolic and cardiovascular consequences of PCOS Skouby S (Denmark)

The new treatment options I banez L (Spain)

TRENDS IN GYNECOLOGICAL ENDOCRINOLOGY

ANDROGENS AND ANDROGEN RECEPTORS, FROM THE BENCH TO THE BEDSIDE

The androgen receptor **Sultan C (France)**

Role of androgens in imprinting the hypothalamus and brain

Levine JE (USA)

Hyperandrogenism: impact on adolescent development Nappi R (Italy)

△⁵-Androgens replacement therapy: new concepts **Genazzani AR (Italy)**

Androgen co-therapy in the menopause Simon J (USA)

STEROID RECEPTORS

Transcriptional and non-transcriptional signalling of steroid receptors Beato M (Spain)

Genetics of estrogen response Brandi ML (Italy)

Mineralocorticoid receptor signalling and women's health

Funder J (Australia)

Progesterone signalling in the nervous system Schumacher M (France)

Mining the complexities of the estrogen and progesterone signalling pathways for new therapeutic targets McDonnell D (USA)

A NEW PLAYER AND TARGET IN GYNECOLOGICAL ENDOCRINOLOGY: AROMATASE

Aromatase as key regulator of intracrinology Labrie F (Canada)

Aromatase and the breast **Brodie A (USA)**

Aromatase and the endometrium **Coutinho E (Brazil)**

Aromatase and the brain Garcia Segura LM (Spain)

Aromatase and the placenta Mendelson CR (USA)

MENOPAUSE AND AGEING

HUMAN AGEING: THE ENDOCRINE I MPACT

Genetic polymorphism in female ageing Huber J (Austria)

Cardiovascular ageing in men and women Grobbee D (The Netherlands)

The neurobiology of brain ageing: implications for cognitive health and neuroendocrine dysregulation **Whalley LJ (UK)**

Metabolic consequences of ageing in women Lobo R (USA)

A holistic approach for the improvement of health and disease prevention for the mid-aged woman **Neves-e-Castro M (Portugal)**

MENOPAUSE, HORMONE REPLACEMENT THERAPY AND THE CARDIOVASCULAR SYSTEM

Estrogens and progestins and the cardiovascular system **Simoncini T (Italy)**

Small artery function and HRT Kublickiene K (Sweden)

Benefit-risk assessment of HRT in the early postmenopause **Pines A (Israel)** HRT and cardiovascular system: the window of opportunity

Stevenson J (UK)

Oral versus transdermic HRT and cardiovascular system: is there a real difference? Siseles N (Argentina)

MENOPAUSE, HORMONE REPLACEMENT THERAPY AND THE BRAIN

Optimizing estrogens and progestins for maximizing benefit in the brain **Brinton RD (USA)**

Menopause, the brain and symptoms development **Birkhaeuser M (Switzerland)**

Relationship between menopausal symptoms and memory dysfunction in midlife women Maki P (USA)

HRT, Alzheimer's disease and vascular dementia a timing issue? Henderson V (USA)

THE BONE

Hypogonadism and peak bone mass **Palacios S (Spain)**

Contraception and bone health Hadji P (Germany)

Connective tissues and bone ageing Brincat M (Malta)

HRT and bone health Gambacciani M (Italy)

Non- hormonal therapies: pros and cons Christiansen C (Denmark)

The Endometrium

SEX STEROIDS AND THE ENDOMETRIUM

Sex Steroid signalling in the endometrium Kuhl H (Germany)

Oral contraceptives, HRT and endometrium **Massobrio M (Italy)**

Cytokine system in endometrial hyperplasia Smetnik VP (Russia)

SERMs and the endometrium AI-Azzawi F (UK)

ENDOMETRIAL CANCER

Genome-wide analysis of DNA in endometrial cancer **O'Toole SA (Ireland)**

Bcl-2, BAX, and apoptosis in endometrial hyperplasia and gestagens **Orbo A (Norway)**

Signal transduction of ERs in endometrial cancer **Wei LH (China)**

Molecular target therapies in endometrial cancer Gadducci A (Italy)

THE BREAST

BREAST DEVELOPMENT, FUNCTION AND BENIGN BREAST DISEASES

Pubertal development and the breast **Bruni V (Italy)**

Hypothalamic control of breast development **Russo I H (USA)**

Differentiation and development of the human breast: its significance in cancer and prevention **Russo J (USA)**

Hormones in women with benign breast diseases, and the risk of breast cancer **Foidart JM (Belgium)**

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Intraglandular steroid metabolism and breast cancer **Pasqualini J (France)**

Novel estradiol-dependent mechanisms controlling expression of prolactin receptor in cancer cells **Dufau M (USA)**

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Sex steroid actions on the cytoskeleton and movement in breast cancer cells Fu X (China), Simoncini T (Italy)

Animal models of breast cancer metastasis Horwitz K (USA)

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NEW CONCEPTS IN CONTRACEPTION

New delivery systems and progestins: what changes in contraception? Sitruk-Ware R (USA)

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FROM OVULATION TO PREGNANCY

Gonadotrophins, oocyte maturation and sex differentiation **Huhtaniemi I (Finland)**

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Pros and Cons of mild stimulation in ART Barri P (Spain)

Resistance to Clomiphene Citrate in PCO patients, how to proceed? **Devoto L (Chile)**

Vitrification Artini PG (Italy)

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Genetic regulation of implantation **Taylor HS (USA)**

The key players determining implantation **Devroey P (Belgium)**

Evaluation of endometrial quality in Reproductive Medicine: the role of endometrial inflammation in implantation pathology **Cianci A (Italy)**

Fetal and maternal factors in recurrent miscarriage **Carp H (I srael)**

Antiphosholipid Syndrome (Hughes Syndrome: APS) and recurrent pregnancy loss Agrawal V (India)

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Intrauterine fetal growth and placental function Sibley CP (UK)

Preeclampsia and endothelial function Baker P (UK)

Utero-placental oxygen exchange and inflammation in preeclampsia and intrauterine growth restriction **Cetin I (Italy)**

Prediction of recurrent preeclampsia Peeters LL (The Netherlands)

pPROM in HIV patients in highly active antiretroviral treatment: accelerated apoptosis and inflammation **Ferrazzi E (Italy)**

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ENDOMETRIOSIS: FROM BIOLOGY TO DISEASE CURE

Neural mechanism of the pains of endometriosis Berkley K (USA)

Immunological and genetic background of endometriosis

Szamatowicz M (Poland)

Ezrin and Normal and Endometriotic endometrium Naftolin F (USA)

Local hormonal treatment of endometriosis Petraglia F (Italy)

Medical versus surgical treatment of symptoms Koninckx PR (Belgium)

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Hormonal management of dysfunctional uterine bleeding

Laudanski T (Poland)

Alternatives for the treatment of uterine leiomyomas Nappi C (Italy)

Uterine adenomyosis Fedele L (Italy)

Endometrial hyperplasia management Sturdee D (UK)

Non-contraceptive use of the levonorgestrelintrauterine system (LNG-IUS) Schindler AE (Germany)

BENIGN UTERINE DISEASES

Endometrial ablation: new tools Zullo F (Italy)

Adenomyosis surgical treatment Mettler L (Germany)

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Approach to hysterectomy Wattiez A (France)

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The role of ultrasound in the diagnosis and follow up of ovarian cancer Testa A (Italy)

The fuctional and structural assessment of early human development - what does 3D/4D sonography add

Kurjak A (Croatia)

Symptomatic adenomyosis: sonographic findings before and after insertion of levonorgestrel intrauterine system Exacoustos C (Italy)

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THIS FORM MUST BE SUBMITTED TO AMANDATOUR SRL (PH. + 39 055 292851, FAX + 39 055 2381618, EMAIL: isge2008@amandatour.com)

REGISTRANT PERS	SONAL DETAILS	P	lease write CAPITA	L LETTERS. Use one form for each person.
Family name			First name	
Address				
ZIP code	City		Country	
Phone		Fax	E-mail	

HOTEL RESERVATION Please tick the appropriate boxes Prices are to be intended per room, per night, breakfast included. Other rooms upon request (suite, three beds, etc.)					
RY	ROOM FOR 1 PERSON	ROOM FOR 2 PERSONS			
5 stars	□ € 330/380 - Deposit € 340	□ € 390/480 - Deposit € 400			
4 stars superior	□ € 240/300 - Deposit € 260	□ € 310/350 - Deposit € 320			
4 stars	□ € 170/210 - Deposit € 180	□ € 220/300 - Deposit € 230			
3 stars	□ € 120/150 - Deposit € 130	□ € 160/200 - Deposit € 170			
2/3 stars	□ € 90/110 - Deposit € 100	□ € 135/150 - Deposit € 140			
room(s)					
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DEPOSIT AND AVAILABILITY

The deposit has to be paid as above indicated before 15/11/2007. No reservation will be accepted without deposit. The total amount for the selected hotel has to be paid before 15/01/2008. Amandatour srl will inform you about the availability of your choice.

CANCELLATION POLICY

Changes and cancellations will not be accepted by phone. Cancellation policy: up to 01/01/2008 full refund - From 02/01/2008 up to 31/01/2008: 50% refund - From 01/02/2008 up to 15/02/2008: 25% refund - After 16/02/2008: no refund. Refunds will be net of bank charges.

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BANK DRAFT			€	
Payable to: AMAN	NDATOUR SRL			
Banca IntesaBci -	 Branch of Florence 			
Account nr. 1721	8030195 - ABI code 0300	69 – CAB code 02840 - CIN L		
Codes for Interna	ational transfers: IBAN I	SWIFT BIC: BCITIT 33457		
<u>All bank charge</u>	s have to be paid by th	<u>ne participants</u>		
CREDIT CARD	🛛 Carta Sì 🗆 Visa 🗆 Euroca	rd/Mastercard 🛛 American Express	€	
Cardholder name		Card number		
Expiry dateSecurity CodeSignatureDateDate				
Information note about t	he privacy protection			

According to the Italian Law nr. 196/03 about the privacy protection, please note the following:

- The personal data you provide will be used for your accommodation for the Congress and will be filed in our customer database for 1. aimed announcements.
- 2. Your personal data are requested for a correct registration and for the relative invoice issue.
- 3. For all your rights according to the Italian Legislative Law nr. 196/03, please refer to the text of Title II, Art. 7 of the Law.
- In case of non authorization you will only receive confirmation and all necessary information related to your accommodation but no 4. further communications on the Congress.

Format of the Congress

The Congress Secretariat and the Registration Desk will open on Wednesday, February 27th from 14.00 to 19.00.

Thursday, F	ebruary 28 th , 2008	Friday February 29 th , 2008 Saturday March 1 st , 2008		Sunday	March 2 nd , 2008
08.30	Registration	08.30/19.30	Plenary Sessions Plenary Lectures	08.30/ 13.00	Plenary Sessions Plenary Lectures
10.00/11.00	Opening Ceremony		Symposia Round Tables		Symposia Round Tables
11.00/19.00	Plenary Sessions		Oral Presentations		Oral Presentations
	Plenary Lectures		Poster Session	10.15	
	Symposia Round Tables	19.30	Wine and Cheese	13.15	Closing Ceremony and Poster Awards
	Oral Presentations	19.50	Poster Session		
	Poster Session		on February 29 th		
19.00	Get-together Evening				

Social events

EVENTS	DATE AND TIME
Opening Ceremony at the Congress venue	Thursday, February 28 th at 10.00
Get-together Evening	Thursday, February 28 th at 19.00
Closing Ceremony at the Congress venue	Sunday, March 2 nd at 13.15

Visits and excursions

TOURS	PRI CE PER PERSON	MIN PARTI CI PANTS	
Half-day Florence city tour (09.30-12.30)	€ 45,00	15	
Half-day Florence city tour (14.30-18.00)	€ 45,00	15	
Guided visit to the Uffizi Gallery (limited availability. Early booking required)	€ 32,00	15	
Full-day Siena and San Gimignano tour	€ 52,00	15	
Full-day Pisa city tour (available only THU, SAT, SUN)	€ 41,00	15	
Shopping Day Outlet in the surroundings of Florence representing the best of the Italian fashion design. Lunch excluded.	€ 30,00	25	

All tours are organized by Amandatour srl. Delegates and accompanying persons interested in participating are kindly requested to book their tour contacting Amanda srl through fax at +39 055 2381618 or email: isge2008@amandatour.com.

Tours and prices are based on the presence of a minimum of 15 participants (except for the Shopping Day, min 25 participants) and may be bebject to changes.

Detailed information on the tours are available on the website www.gynecologicalendocrinology.org.

Congress venue

All sessions will take place at **Firenze Expo and Congress** (Palazzo dei Congressi and Palazzo Affari) – Piazza Adua 1 - Florence, Italy. Just a few metres from the Central Station (Santa Maria Novella) and a short walk from Florence's city center, the "congress citadel" is conveniently linked to the airport terminal.

How to reach Florence

From Amerigo Vespucci Florence Airport (www.safnet.it)

Connected to the main European cities, located at Peretola, 4 km (2,5 miles) from Florence. You can easily reach Florence as follows:

Taxi: Taxis are available outside the Airport. A trip to downtown Florence takes about 20 minutes.

Bus: The Airport is connected to the town centre by a special connection from/to "Vespucci" Airport and Santa Maria Novella train station, jointly run by ATAF and SITA, "Vola in bus". This is a direct shuttle (approximately 25 minutes) connecting the airport (arrival side) to the centre of Florence (SITA bus station); it runs every thirty minutes for most of the day.

For information: Toll-free number ATAF 800-424500 and SITA 800-373760.

From Galileo Galilei Pisa Airport (www.pisa-airport.it)

Galileo Galilei Airport is located in Pisa, 60 km (38 miles) from Florence. It is connected to Florence by a train and a bus connection from "Galileo Galilei" Airport to Santa Maria Novella train station. Trains run every hour for most of the day; travelling time is about one hour and a half. Passengers can check in at Santa Maria Novella Station in Florence (platform 16).

Transportation from downtown Florence to Firenze Expo and Congress

Bus: All town busses stop at Piazza della Stazione (Train Station). Being located 50 metres from Santa Maria Novella train station, Firenze Expo and Congress is therefore within walking distance of any bus stop.

Official language

The official language of the Congress will be English.

Official invitation, passport, visa and currency

An official letter of invitation will be forwarded to any participant upon request. However, this invitation implies no obligation, financial or otherwise, by the Congress. The currency is Euro (\in). Please consult your travel agent for information on visas. Credit cards and traveller cheques are generally accepted.

Personal Data Protection - Law n. 196/2003

Personal data collected directly and/or through third parties by controller and processor Biomedical Technologies, Main Office in Cagliari Via Cugia 1, are processed in printed, computing and telematic form for fulfilling contractual and lawful obligations as well as for the effective handing of business relations. The email addresses provided may be used by Biomedical Technologies to send advertising materials on events similar to those subject of the present business relations. The non-submittal of data, where not compulsory, will be evaluated from case to case by the controller and the resulting decisions to be made will take into account the importance of the required data in respect of the business relations, management. Data may be disclosed in Italy and/or abroad, strictly in accordance with the above-mentioned purposes, and consequently processed, only in relation to the mentioned purpose, by other persons: professionals and consultants as well as by persons allowed to access to your personal data according to National or Community regulations. If necessary, for the above-mentioned reasons, your data may be disclosed to third parties. For the same reasons, our partners and/or employees may process your data in their capacity of executors or processors. The persons concerned may exercise all the rights set forth in art. 7 of L.n. 196/2003 (including the rights of data access, corrections, updating, objects to data processing and cancellation). The processor "pro tempore" is the legal representative of the company.

Continuous medical education credits



AMA (American Medical Association)

The scientific program of The 13^{th} World Congress of the Gynecological Endocrinology has been approved by AMA for a maximum of **23** AMA PRA Category 1 CreditsTM. One credit may be claimed for each hour of participation in approved sessions.

UEMS The EACCME has granted 21 European CME credits (ECMEC) to the Congress

The Royal College of Physicians, London, UK 6 External CPD credits



ECM Educazione Continua in Medicina

REGISTRATION FEES (EURO, 20% VATINCLUDED)

	REGI STRATI ON including 2008-2009 I SGE membership and online access for private use to the electronic edition of the Journal		REGI STRATI ON including 2008 I SGE membership and subscription to the print edition of the Journal		REGI STRATI ON including 2008-2009 I SGE membership and subscription to the print edition of the Journal	
	Until 31/ 12/ 07	After 31/ 12/ 07	Until 31/ 12/ 07	After 31/ 12/ 07	Until 31/ 12/ 07	After 31/12/07
Delegate	€ 450,00	€ 550,00	€ 490,00	€ 590,00	€ 575,00	€ 675,00
Developing Countries and East Europe (WHO List)	€ 350,00	€ 400,00	€ 390,00	€ 440,00	€ 475,00	€ 525,00
Technical Delegate*	€ 250,00	€ 275,00	€ 290,00	€ 315,00	€ 375,00	€ 400,00
Congress On-line	€ 90,00		€ 140,00		€ 235,00	
Congress On-line I SGE members#	€ 60,00					
Accompanying person	€ 90,00					

* Residents in training, nurses and technicians. Official certificate must be submitted

Members must have paid the 2007 membership

ISGE **M**EMBERSHIP

See Section Join the ISGE.

REGISTRATION FEE FOR THE DELEGATE INCLUDES

Congress kit, Access to all sessions and exhibition area, Book of Abstracts, CME credits and/or ECM credits, Password to access the Congress on-line, Opening Ceremony, Closing Ceremony.

For the very first time the Congress registration fee includes the online access for private use to the electronic edition of the Gynecological Endocrinology Journal (See Section Join the ISGE).

REGISTRATION FEE FOR THE ACCOMPANYING PERSON INCLUDES

Opening Ceremony, Closing Ceremony, Access to exhibition area, Half-day Florence City Tour. **Due to limited number of participants allowed to the tour, those interested are kindly requested to confirm by sending an email at** isge2008registrations@biomedicaltechnologies.com.

HOW TO REGISTER

- 1. **On-line:** filling out the registration form available on the website www.gynecologicalendocrinology.org
- 2. **By fax:** by faxing the registration form at + 39 050 501239
- 3. By mail: by sending the registration form by mail or courier to Biomedical Technologies srl, Via Trieste 1, 56126 Pisa, Italy. The Organizing Secretariat will not be responsible for mail not arriving at destination.
- 4. By email: by sending the registration form at isge2008registrations@biomedicaltechnologies.com

CANCELLATION POLICY FOR REGISTRATION

Refunds (less € 25,00 for taxes and administrative expenses) will be granted to delegates unable to attend. A written notice must be received by the Organizing Secretariat before January 15th, 2008. No refunds will be made for cancellations received after January 15th, 2008. All refunds will be issued after the Congress.

REGISTRATION AND ACCOMMODATION REMARKS

All companies or agencies must send the list of their registrants including all personal data as indicated on the registration form. The Organizing Secretariat can provide a sample excel file to be filled out and sent by email at isge2008registrations@biomedicaltechnologies.com. Accommodation can be accepted only upon pre-registration.