Dear Colleagues

It is our great pleasure to invite you to participate in the 7th International Conference on Psychiatry, organized by Saudi German Hospital (SGH)-Jeddah, Al-Amal Hospital – Jeddah, Saudi Psychiatric Association (SPA), Motmaenna Psychiatric centre and in collaboration with Arab Federation of Psychiatrists, World Psychiatric Association, Institute of Psychiatry- Ain Shams University and Egyptian Psychiatric Association.

Conference theme: "Controversies in Psychiatric Practice"

Venue: Intercontinental Hotel, Jeddah, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia

Date: 27 – 29 April 2011

Mental disorders are highly prevalent, heterogeneous, and of multifactorial etiology. Collectively, they are associated with significant morbidity, mortality, and economic cost. Wellness is the optimal outcome in the management of chronic medical and psychiatric disorders.

Recently there has been a growing awareness of the importance of the Controversies and Debates in Psychiatric Practice.

We aim is to present and discuss comprehensive updated knowledge in the field of psychiatry. We believe this conference is a wonderful opportunity for Arab experts within the Arab World & across the globe to exchange experiences, network & plan for future collaborative activities. We hope to conclude practical achievable directions for improving psychiatric services in our region for the near future.

The conference main speakers will be opinion leaders in the field of psychiatry as well as policy and decision makers. We also welcome new research & submissions from senior colleagues & trainees.

In our three days’ conference you will enjoy the Academic, Social & Spiritual aspects of the programme. In addition you will definitely enjoy the well-known Arabic hospitality.

Dr. Mohammed Khaled
Secretary General of conference

Topics of the conference:

- Arab Mental Health services: Service Development, Policies, Pathways to Care and Healthcare economics.
- Controversies and Debates in Psychiatric Practice "The boundaries between": Normal sadness and depressive disorder
  Normal anxiety and pathological anxiety
  Should schizophrenia be a cognitive disorder?
  Should obsession be included under anxiety disorders?
  ADHD versus bipolar in children.
  Inpatient versus comity care treatment.
  Homosexuality a disorder or a style of life
  PTSD is it a western diagnosis? ..... etc.
- Psychology: Early intervention in Psychosis, Compliance, Relapse prevention, Rehabilitation and improving outcome in Schizophrenia.
- Mood Disorders: Depressive disorder & Challenges in the management of Bipolar Disorder.
- Outcome in the management: Posttraumatic Stress Disorder, Personality Disorders, Psychosexual Disorders, Alcohol & Drug Dependence, Eating Disorders ....
  Liaison Psychiatry.
  Forensic Psychiatry
  Child & Adolescent Psychiatry
- Old Age Psychiatry: functional & organic mental disorders in old age.
  Therapeutic Approaches in Mental Health: Bio-Psych-Socio-Spiritual.
  Role of religion in clinical practice both in prevention & treatment.
  Brain Imaging in the diagnosis & management of mental disorders.
  Medical ethics, Religion & Spirituality in the era of Globalisation.
  Advances in the field of Medical Education & Psychiatric Training.
  Stigma of Mental illness & role of media in promoting positive public opinion.
  The interface between Psychiatry, Psychology, Philosophy and Social sciences.

Courses:

Course organisers are kindly requested to prepare all relevant materials to be given to participants enrolled on their courses. Course proposals must include self-assessment questionnaires and answers to evaluate the learning outcome of the participants.

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Target Participants:
Psychiatrists, Neurologists, Neurosurgeons, Psychologists, Medical Students, Psychiatric Nurses, Social Workers, Occupational Therapists, Teachers, Carers and all professionals who practice in relation to the care of individuals who suffer from Mental Health problems.

Guidelines for abstract submission:
Deadline for submission: 01.12.2010

Registration Fees:
- Early registration (before 31.01.2011): 80 $ or 300 Saudi Riyal
- After 31.01.2011: 110 $ or 400 Saudi Riyal

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