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**Second Announcement**

***The European Society of Ophthalmology (SOE)  
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*have the pleasure of inviting you to the next Joint Congress which will take place in Geneva, 4–7 June 2011.*

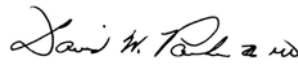
*Located in the centre of Europe, Geneva is easy to reach from anywhere in the world. Although a cosmopolitan city, Geneva has retained all the charm of a small town – a truly great destination for our next Joint Congress.*

*We have prepared an interesting and relevant scientific programme. As always, we have collaborated closely with many subspecialty societies from both sides of the Atlantic, ensuring state-of-the-art contributions from the best experts from around the globe.*

*We hope that you will join us at the next Joint SOE/AAO Congress, which will be a dynamic meeting with exciting scientific and social interactions with Ophthalmologists from all over the world.*



**Gabriel van Rij**  
*President of the European  
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# Scientific Programme

The preparation of the Scientific Programme for the Joint SOE/AAO 2011 Congress in Geneva is at an advanced stage and includes symposia covering all aspects of Ophthalmology, Instructional Courses, Free Papers, Poster Sessions and the always popular Programme for Allied Health.

Each day of the Congress, a Key Note Lecture will be delivered by a leading world authority on specific topics. We are proud that Doctors Wolfgang Drexler, Anders Heijl, Shigeru Kinoshita and Jonathan Trobe have accepted our invitation to come to Geneva as the SOE/AAO Key Note Lecturers.

It is now a tradition for the EUPO course for Residents to take place during the first two days of the Joint SOE/AAO Congress. The EUPO course will focus on Glaucoma and Uveitis.

## Key Note Lecturers

### WOLFGANG DREXLER

Wolfgang Drexler received his MS and PhD in Electrical Engineering in 1991 and 1995, respectively, at the Technical University of Vienna, Austria. From 2006 to 2009 he was a Full Professor of Biomedical Imaging at the School of Optometry and Vision Sciences at Cardiff University, Wales, United Kingdom. Since October 2009 he is a Full Professor of Medical Physics and the Head of the Center for Medical Physics and Biomedical Engineering at the Medical University of Vienna, Austria.

So far his research group has accomplished pioneering work and has played a leading role in the development of optical coherence tomography. He spent two years at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), Cambridge, United States, and was four years the Director of the Christian Doppler Laboratory for Laser Development and their Application in Medicine.

He received the Austrian START Award from the Austrian Science Fund in 2001 as well as COGAN Award from the American Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology in 2007. He is a member of the Austrian Academy of Science, has published more than 120 papers in peer reviewed journals that have been cited more than 4000 times in the last ten years.

### ANDERS HEIJL

Anders Heijl is Professor and Chairman at the Department of Ophthalmology, Malmö University Hospital, Lund University, Sweden.

Professor Heijl is a graduate of the Lund University Medical School where he also completed his residency in ophthalmology. He received a Ph.D. from the University of Lund in 1977 for his early work on computerized perimetry, and later completed a post-



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WOLFGANG DREXLER



ANDERS HEIJL



SHIGERU KINOSHITA



JONATHAN TROBE

doctoral fellowship under the mentorship of Professor Stephen Drance at the University of British Columbia. Professor Heijl has served as Chairman at the Department of Ophthalmology, Malmö University Hospital since 1990.

Professor Heijl and his research group have invented and developed the Statpac programs for the Humphrey perimeter, including the now widely used concepts of Probability Maps, Pattern Deviation, Change Probability Maps, the Glaucoma Hemifield Test and the Glaucoma Progression Analysis (GPA) programs. The Swedish Interactive Thresholding Algorithm (SITA) was also developed and adapted to Standardized Automated Perimetry and to Short Wavelength Automated Perimetry (SWAP) in his laboratory.

Professor Heijl initiated and has served as Study Director of the Early Manifest Glaucoma Trial.

Between 1980 and 1996 Anders Heijl served the International Perimetric Society first as Scientific Secretary and later as President. Between 2003 and 2008 he served as President of the Glaucoma Research Society.

He is the chief ophthalmological advisor to the Swedish National Board of Health and Welfare, recently headed the group of glaucoma experts producing a systematic literature review on the diagnosis and treatment of open angle glaucoma for the Swedish Council on Technology Assessment

in Health Care and serves on the board of the European Glaucoma Society, now as Chairman of EGS National Glaucoma Society Liaison Committee

Professor Heijl has published 200 scientific papers, chapters and books. He has served as Editor-in-Chief of Acta Ophthalmologica, and on the editorial boards of eight ophthalmic journals.

Professor Heijl has received scientific Awards, or delivered invited name lectures at a dozen instances.

### SHIGERU KINOSHITA

Shigeru Kinoshita, M.D., Ph.D. graduated from Osaka University Medical School in 1974, and has served as the Professor and Chairman of Ophthalmology at Kyoto Prefectural University of Medicine since 1992.

In the early 1980s at Harvard Medical School, he, in collaboration with Doctor Richard A. Toft, established the concept of centripetal movement of corneal epithelium, and his groundbreaking work has shed new light on the importance of limbal epithelium. His series of findings has had an enormous impact on this subject, ultimately contributing to the development of the corneal stem cell theory.

Over the past 30 years, his primary interest has been focused on the research and development of new therapeutic modalities for the cornea. ■■■■■■■■■■

Following this path, his group has recently established the system of cultivated mucosal epithelial stem cell transplantation and cultivated corneal endothelial transplantation.

Doctor Kinoshita is a recipient of the 1999 Alcon Research Institute Award, the 2008 Castroviejo Medal Lecturer of the Cornea Society. He served as an ARVO Program Committee Member in the Cornea Section between 1996 and 1999, and he is currently the ARVO Vice President-Elect. Doctor Kinoshita presently serves as the Associate Editor of Investigative Ophthalmology & Visual Science, and as an Editorial Board Member of Experimental Eye Research and Cornea.

## JONATHAN TROBE

Doctor Jonathan Trobe is head of neuro-ophthalmology and Professor of Ophthalmology and Neurology at the University of Michigan Medical Center, Ann Arbor, Michigan, United States.

He attended Harvard Medical School, followed

by a medical internship at Rush Presbyterian Medical School in Chicago, and an ophthalmology residency at the Wills Eye Hospital in Philadelphia, where he served as chief resident during his final year. Some years later, Doctor Trobe completed his second residency – this time in neuro-ophthalmology. This made him qualified to hold dual faculty positions at Ann Arbor, Michigan where he has been head of the neuro-ophthalmology service for more than 20 years.

Doctor Trobe has first-authored or co-authored some 150 peer-reviewed journal articles and eight books. He is a member of many learned societies, has received a number of awards for excellence and has held numerous named lectures. Notably, Doctor Trobe has been Editor-in-Chief of the Journal of Neuro-Ophthalmology, the official journal of the North American Neuro-Ophthalmology Society for nine years. He has an outstanding reputation for his scholarly approach and his teaching skills.

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## Collaboration with Subspecialty Societies and Supranational Organisations

Following the successful programme formula at the last SOE/AAO Congress, the following subspecialty and supranational organisations have been invited to participate in the Scientific Programme:

### Subspecialty Societies and Supranational Organisations

Academia Ophthalmologica Internationalis (AOI)  
American Academy of Ophthalmology (AAO)  
American Association for Pediatric Ophthalmology and Strabismus (AAPOS)  
American Uveitis Society (AUS)  
Club Jules Gonin (CJG)  
EuCornea  
European Academy of Ophthalmology (EAO)  
European Association for the Study of Diabetes, Eye Complication Study Group (EASDec)  
European Association for Vision and Eye Research (EVER)  
European Board of Ophthalmology (EBO)  
European Contact Lens Society (ECLS)  
European Fluorescein Angiography Club (FAN Club)  
European Glaucoma Society (EGS)  
European Neuro-Ophthalmological Society (EUNOS)  
European Ophthalmic Pathology Society (EOPS)  
European Paediatric Ophthalmological Society (EPOS)  
European Society of Cataract and Refractive Surgeons (ESCRS)  
European Society of Oculoplastic and Reconstructive Surgeons (ESOPRS)  
European Society of Ophthalmic Nurses and Technicians (ESONT)  
European Society of Retina Specialists (EURETINA)  
European Strabismological Association (ESA)  
European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS)  
European University Professors of Ophthalmology (EUPO)

European Vitreoretinal Society (EVRS)  
International Council of Ophthalmology (ICO)  
International Intraocular Implant Club (IIIC)  
International Ocular Inflammation Society (IOIS)  
International Society for Clinical Electrophysiology and Vision (ISCEV)  
International Society of Ocular Trauma (ISOT)  
International Society of Refractive Surgery (ISRS/AAO)  
International Uveitis Study Group (IUSG)  
Macula Society  
Ocular Oncology Group (OOG)  
Retina Society (RS)  
Schepens International Society  
Society for Ophthalmology-Immunoinfectology in Europe (SOIE)  
The Association for Research in Vision and Ophthalmology (ARVO)  
The Cornea Society  
The Lindberg Society  
World Health Organization (WHO)

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## Topics and Session Titles

### Cataract & Refractive

- Cataract to treat refractive errors
- Corneal and intraocular solutions to presbyopia
- Latest news in presbyopia correction technique
- Ocular alignment in cataract, corneal and refractive surgery: is there a different approach?

### Cornea & External Eye

- Advances in the treatment of keratoconus, scars, dystrophies and degeneration
- Advances in the treatment of ocular surface disease
- Replacement of the corneal endothelium: lamellar surgery and beyond
- Towards sophisticated therapeutic modalities for corneal diseases
- Update on contact lenses
- Update on corneal immunology and infection

### Education

- All you need to know about the EBO exam
- Controversies in the delivery of ophthalmic care
- Eye care in Africa. How can Europe help?
- Herpetic eye disease
- International ophthalmology: how can I get involved
- Update on eye imaging
- VISION 2020 global initiative: priorities for the 10 years to go
- What can the EBO do for you?

### Electrophysiology

- Electrophysiology and imaging: a diagnostic synergy
- Paediatric electrophysiology

### Glaucoma

- Angle closure
- Disc and nerve fibre layer imaging
- Glaucoma progression: is it getting worse?
- Glaucoma surgery
- Gonioscopy for everyone
- IOP measurement and IOP control

- Lessons from the early manifest glaucoma trial
- Optic disc examination
- Paediatric glaucoma
- Stem cells and the future
- The Lindberg Society symposium

### Neuro-Ophthalmology

- Common problems in paediatric neuro-ophthalmology
- Pearls in neuro-ophthalmology
- Practical approach to common neuroophthalmologic conditions
- The management of optic neuritis: why is there so much controversy?
- The top five neuro-ophthalmic diagnoses you cannot afford to miss

### Ocular Trauma

- Video session: Trauma

### Oculoplastics

- Aesthetic eyelid surgery
- Current concepts of the management of Graves' orbitopathy
- Eyelid surgery
- Lacrimal disease: how to deal with the watery patient?
- Orbital tumours

### Oncology & Pathology

- Clinico-pathological correlations. Cases from EOPS-VSS 2011
- Fundus tumours
- Genetic studies on ocular melanoma
- Review of intraocular tumours
- Review of orbital and adnexal tumours

### Paediatrics & Strabismus

- Esotropia: evaluation and management 2010
- Exotropia
- Modern diagnostic methods in paediatric neuroophthalmology
- Paediatric neuroophthalmology
- Retinopathy of prematurity
- Surgical techniques



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## Retina

- A rational approach to retinal detachment surgery
- Diabetic macular oedema
- Dry AMD
- Interesting cases on FA
- Introduction to and pitfalls of imaging in diabetes
- Learning vitreous surgery
- Management of anti-VEGF therapy
- Pushing the frontiers of retinal OCT
- Retinal imaging
- Retinal showcase: advances in gene and cell based therapy for retinal diseases
- Therapy of vitreo-maculopathies – surgery and pharmacologic vitreolysis
- Treatment options in retinal vein occlusion
- Update in macular surgery
- Update on malignant intraocular tumours
- Vitreous: from biochemistry to clinical relevance

## Uveitis

- Clinical studies in ocular inflammatory disease
- Most common mistakes in uveitis and how to avoid them
- New trends in ocular inflammation
- Ophthalmic imaging in uveitis
- Uveitis: errors, oblivions, mystifications and rectifications
- Viral induced anterior uveitis

## Allied Health

- Chronic disease management: a story without end?
- Oculoplastics and reconstruction: looking at the whole picture
- Preparation makes perfection
- Retinal imaging
- Taking the lead in care pathways
- Vision 2020: innovation and implementation of strategy across United States, United Kingdom and Europe

# Programme at a Glance

Time	Saturday 4 June	Sunday 5 June	Monday 6 June	Tuesday 7 June
08.15–09.45	Symposium/ Instructional Courses	Symposium/ Instructional Courses	Symposium/ Instructional Courses/ Allied Health	Symposium/ Instructional Courses/ Allied Health
09.45–10.15	Break and Exhibition			
10.15–11.45	Opening Ceremony/ Helmholtz Medal Lecture	Symposium/ Instructional Courses/ Allied Health	Symposium/ Instructional Courses	Symposium
11.45–12.00	Break and Exhibition			
12.00–13.00	Sponsored Symposium	Sponsored Symposium	Sponsored Symposium	Sponsored Symposium
13.00–13.30	Break and Exhibition			
13.30–14.15	Key Note Lecture ANDERS HEIJL	Key Note Lecture JONATHAN TROBE	Key Note Lecture SHIGERU KINOSHITA	Key Note Lecture WOLFGANG DREXLER
14.15–14.30	Break and Exhibition			
14.30–16.00	Symposium/ Instructional Courses	Symposium/ Instructional Courses	Symposium/ Instructional Courses/ Allied Health	Symposium/ Instructional Courses/ Allied Health
16.00–16.30	Break and Exhibition			
16.30–18.00	Sponsored Symposium/ Instructional Courses	Sponsored Symposium/ Instructional Courses	Sponsored Symposium/ Instructional Courses/ Allied Health	Symposium/ Instructional Courses/ Allied Health
	Get Together Party		Congress Evening	

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## Certificate of Attendance

Participants will receive a Certificate of Attendance.

## Climate and Dress

The climate in Geneva is temperate and in June it is usually mild and sunny but be prepared for rain and chilly evenings. From June to July the daytime temperature ranges from 18° C to 28° C (65°–82°F).

## CME Credits

We are happy to inform you that the SOE/AAO offers Continuing Medical Education (CME) credits for the Congress in Geneva. The number of CME credits that will be assigned to SOE/AAO 2011 will be announced on the Congress website prior to the event. Participants will also receive detailed information on how to apply for CME credits in the Congress Bag.

## Congress Website

Congress website: [www.soe2011.org](http://www.soe2011.org)  
Email: [soe2011@congrex.com](mailto:soe2011@congrex.com)

## Currency

The currency in Switzerland is Swiss Francs (CHF). Please visit [www.oanda.com](http://www.oanda.com) for the latest currency rate.

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## Exhibition

An extensive trade exhibition will accompany the Joint Congress of SOE/AAO 2011. The exhibition will be attended by more than 4000 international delegates, thus offering a unique opportunity for companies to reach this highly influential audience. For details and a separate publication please visit [www.soe2011.org](http://www.soe2011.org) or contact the Exhibition Organisers on [soe2011.industry@congrex.com](mailto:soe2011.industry@congrex.com).

## Hotel

A substantial number of hotel rooms have been reserved for delegates travelling to Geneva. It will be possible to book your accommodation direct through the Congress website close to the event.

## Language

The official language of the Congress is English. No simultaneous translation will be provided.

## Local Time

Local time in Switzerland during the Congress is Central European Time (GMT+2 hours).



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## Official Carrier

Swiss International Air Lines is proud to be the Official Carrier for The Joint Congress of SOE/AAO 2011 in Geneva and is offering special Congress Fares to all participants. These Congress fares offer reductions of up to 25% depending on the fare type, route and space availability.

Congress fares are valid on the entire SWISS route network for flights to Switzerland, including flights operated by partner airlines under an LX flight number. These fares are bookable starting July 2010 for the travel period 14 days prior to and 14 days after the event. Please visit [www.soe2011.org](http://www.soe2011.org) for further information and link to booking site.



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## Social Programme

Geneva and its beautiful surroundings offers a range of tours, excursions and sightseeing. For example, Geneva houses over 40 public and private museums, as well as numerous art galleries. The Joint SOE/AAO 2011 Congress provides you with the perfect opportunity to network with your colleagues from around the world and includes a varied programme of social events. For further information, please visit [www.soe2011.org](http://www.soe2011.org).

## Venue

The Joint Congress of SOE/AAO 2011 of the European Society of Ophthalmology (SOE) will take place at Geneva Palexpo.



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