



ICons III

of **SCARF**

• CHENNAI • INDIA • OCT. 17 – 19, 2008



The Hosts

The Schizophrenia Research Foundation (India), better known as SCARF, is a non-profit, non-governmental organization in Chennai, India committed to the cause of schizophrenia



for the last 24 years. With the objectives of care, rehabilitation, research, training and awareness, SCARF is a nodal center in the country for rehabilitation and an internationally reputed research organization.

It is a Collaborating Centre of the World Health Organization for Mental Health Research and Training and the WPA anti-stigma site.



Date & Venue

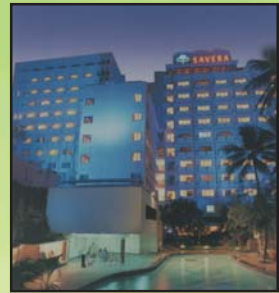
ICoNS III -
Friday, 17 Oct. - Sunday, 19 Oct. 2008

Savera Hotel, 69, Dr. Radhakrishnan Salai,
Chennai 600004, India.

Savera Hotel is also offering special rates for delegates.

Room Type	Single	Double
Standard	4500	5000
Executive	5000	5500
Club	6000	6500

Tariff includes room and breakfast, taxes extra (prevailing tax is 12.5% on the published tariff.) Offer valid for bookings routed through Organizing Secretariat.



Co-sponsors



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The Theme

“Global trends in Schizophrenia care and research”

The Format

The scientific programme includes

- Plenary Lectures
- Symposia
- Poster presentations
- Workshops
- Awards Sessions

The official language of the conference will be English.

Poster Presentation

SIZE : 100 x 50 cms.

Posters should be prepared in the following format :

- **Introduction**
- **Aims**
- **Methods**
- **Results**
- **Discussion**
- **Highlights**
- **Tables & figures, if necessary**

Last date for sending abstracts for posters is **30 June, 2008**. Notification of acceptance will be conveyed by **15 July, 2008**.

Registration is mandatory for all accepted presentations and posters. Prizes will be awarded to the 2 best posters.

Website

All the latest information on the conference and registration forms can be accessed through our website

www.icons-scarf.org

Abstract Submission

Abstracts can be sent only for posters.

Please fill in the online form available at **<http://www.icons-scarf.org>** or send it by e-mail to **info@icons-scarf.org**

Abstracts should be in English. They should be about 250 words long. No figures or tables can be included.

- The first line of the abstract should contain the title (capitalised);
- the second line should include the first name and family name of each author;
- and the third line should contain the affiliations(s) of the authors.

Below the text of the abstract, please provide the following information on the presenting author:

- family name, first name,
- complete mail address, phone and fax number, e-mail address.

Please specify whether your contribution is proposed for inclusion in a symposium, plenary lecture or poster presentation.

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1. Women's Mental Health:

Prabha Chandra (India)
Helen Herrman (Australia)
Jagadeesha (India)
Shanta Kamath (India)

2. Genetics:

Smita Deshpande (India)
Rajesh Nagpal (India)
Ridha Joober (Canada)

3. Translating Research Into Practice

T N Srinivasan (Australia)
C Andrade (India)
Mohan Isaac (Australia)
A Jablensky (Australia)

4. Epidemiology:

Robin McCreddie (Scotland)
Pierre Bovet (Switzerland)
K S Jacob (India)
Constantin Tranulis (USA)

5. Community Mental Health :

Sudipto Chatterjee (India)
Greg Whelan (Australia)
Tanya Luhrmann (USA)

6. Neurobiology :

B N Gangadhar (India)
Jayakumar (India)
Venkatsubramanian (India)
Shivram Varambally (India)

7. Research At Chandigarh :

Ajit Avasti (India)
S Grover (India)
S Chakrabarti (India)

8. Rehabilitation

Kalyansundaram (India)
Anuradha Sovani (India)
T Murali (India)

9. Social Consequences Of Schizophrenia

Lakshmi Vijaykumar (India)
Graham Thornicroft (UK)
Leese Morven (UK)

10. Outcome :

Alex Cohen (USA)
Kim Hopper (USA)
Craig Morgan (UK)
Oye Gureje (Nigeria)

11. Law And Policy:

R Srinivasamurthy (India)
S Nambi (India)
Vikram Patel (India)

12 Culture & Media:

Dinesh Bhugra (UK)
Ellen Corrin (Canada)
Gilles Bibeau (Canada)
Mohan Agashe (India)

13. Family:

J K Trivedi (India)
J Wancata (Italy)

14. Carers & Consumers :

Nirmala Srinivasan (India)
Akhila Maheswari (India)
Janine Berg-peer (Germany)

15. Management Issues

David Castle (Australia)
R Padmavati (India)

Plenary Speakers

Benedetto Saraceno

Mitchell Weiss

Assen Jablensky

John Mc Grath

Bryan Mowry

Suresh Sundaram

Sudha Seshaiyyan

Keith Nuechterlein

Craig Morgan

Glyn Harrison

Ashok Malla

Oye Gureje

Registration Process

Registration forms must be accompanied by full payments by Bank Draft or Mail Transfer. Credit cards (Master/Visa) accepted online and for spot registrations only.

Demand Drafts should be made out to "**Schizophrenia Research FDNS (India)**", payable at par in "**Chennai, India**".

International delegates should make payment in US\$, Indian delegates can pay in INR.

If you require more forms, kindly photocopy.

The registration fee for the participants covers:

- Attendance to the inaugural function, all scientific sessions & the exhibition
- Congress kit with all the printed material of the congress
- Lunch during mid day breaks, Coffee/ refreshments during morning and afternoon breaks
- Certificate of attendance
- Social events included in the program
- Inaugural & Banquet Dinner

The registration fee for the accompanying person covers:

- Attendance to the inaugural function
- Inaugural & Banquet Dinner

Registration Fees

	Before 1st May 2008	After 1st Sept 2008	Spot
from Developed Countries	US\$ 350	US\$ 400	US\$ 450
from Developing Countries	US\$ 175	US\$ 225	US\$ 250
Indian Consultants	INR 3000	INR 3250	INR 3500
Indian Students	INR 1500	INR 1800	INR 2000
Accompanying Person	INR 1000	INR 1250	INR 1500

Registration forms can be filled in online, or mail/fax the accompanying form to us.

Special Instructions

1. Participants from countries where currency restrictions prevent them from sending registration fees in advance are asked to notify the Congress Secretariat prior to the Congress.
2. Letters of Invitation can be obtained from the Congress Secretariat, asking for the same by writing to the Secretariat giving the necessary details. These letters are only to assist participants obtain a visa to attend the Congress and should not be considered as an official invitation covering fees and other expenses.

Cancellation

Cancellation of registration should be made in writing to the Congress Secretariat.

No refund will be made for cancellations with postmark date later than 30 September, 2008, on the cancellation notification.

Refunds will be made after the conclusion of the conference after deducting the bank charges.

Confirmation of Registration

A letter/e-mail of confirmation will be sent to participants whose applications are accepted and the payments received.

The Schedule

	17 October	18 October	19 October
9:00 am	Plenary 1	Plenary 3	Plenary 5
10:00 am	Symposia I & II	Symposia VIII	Symposia XIV & XV
11:15 am	Tea Break	Tea Break	Tea Break
11:30 pm	Symposia III & IV	Symposia VII & IX	Symposia XVI & XVII
01:15 pm	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
02:00 pm	Plenary 2	Plenary 4	Plenary 6
03:00 pm	Symposia V & VI	Symposia X & XI & Awards	Valedictory
04:15 pm	Tea Break	Tea Break	
04:30 pm	Lancet Series on Global Mental Health in India	Symposia XII & XIII	
06:00 pm		Leave for Banquet	
06:30 pm	Inauguration followed by Dinner		

Exhibition

An exhibition open during program hours of related products and literature will be hosted at the Congress venue, along with the programs and events.

Companies and organizations interested in taking part are requested to contact the Congress Secretariat.

WPA CME Credits

Participation in ICONS will fetch **10 WPA CME** credits

Special Sessions

Fri 17th evening:

Global Mental Health

Scaling up mental health services: making the call to action of the **Lancet Series** on Global Mental Health a reality in India.

Resource persons: Vikram Patel, B Saraceno, Salhan (GOI) and others.

Sat 18th morning:

Development and Application of the MATRICS Consensus Cognitive Battery for Schizophrenia.

Resource persons: Keith Nuechterlein, Robert Kern and others from USA.

Registration / Accommodation Form**A. Contact Details**Title (choose one) Mr. Mrs. Dr. Prof.

Name

Name as to appear in the Delegate Badge

Organization Position

Address

City State

Post Office Code Country

Phone
(with country and area codes)Fax
(with country and area codes)

Mobile Phone

Email

Accompanying Person

B. Registration Details

Category (Choose whichever is applicable):

- From Developed Countries From Developing Countries
 Indian Consultants Indian Students
 Accompanying Person (Foreigner)

C. Arrival Details

Arrival Date (DD/MM/YY): Time (24Hours Clock)

Arrival By :

Departure Date (DD/MM/YY): Time (24Hours Clock)

Departure By :

D. Hotel Booking

First Option :

Second Option:

Third Option :

b. Type of Accommodation

- Single Non A/c Single A/c Double Non A/c Double A/c Suite

Hotel Deposit(s) : US\$ / Rs.

Payment

Registration Amount (US\$ / Rs)

Hotel Accommodation Amount (US\$ / Rs)

Accompanying person Amount (US\$ / Rs)

Total Amount (US\$ / Rs)

Payment Options

- I will mail an International Bank Draft
- I will wire transfer the registration fee to your bank
- I will pay online using Paypal / Credit Card

Details of Demand Draft

Enclosed D.D. for Rs. D.D. No.

Dated Drawn on

(Kindly send a Demand Draft for total amount in favour of

“SCHIZOPHRENIA RESEARCH FDNS (INDIA)”

Instructions for Telegraphic Transfer of funds for Schizophrenia Research FDNS (India) with Citibank India

Instructions for telegraphic/ Mail Transfer of Funds for SCHIZOPHRENIA RESEARCH FDNS (INDIA)

BENEFICIARY NAME : SCHIZOPHRENIA RESEARCH FOUNDATION (I)
BENEFICIARY ACCOUNT NO. : SB A/C 10408452463

BENEFICIARY BANK AND BRANCH : STATE BANK OF INDIA (BANCH CODE NO: 03870)
ANNA NAGAR WEST BRANCH
Y-211, 2ND AVENUE, CHENNAI-600 040.
TAMILNADU, INDIA.

SWIFT CODE NO : SBININBB105
IFS CODE NO : SBIN0003870

RE ENTER ACCOUNT NO : 10408452463

Amount to be transferred only as US\$. Kindly instruct your bank.

General Information

Getting In - Getting Out

Visa is required for most foreign nationals. Kindly consult your local authorities for details. Participants are requested to make their own transport arrangements on arrival in Chennai, from the airport to the hotels. The taxi fare from the Chennai International Airport to Hotel Savera (venue) is around US\$ 12-14. An extensive Pre-paid taxi service is available at the airport.

Foreign Exchange

Foreign currency may be exchanged and travellers cheques cashed at all money changers located in the city, at the airport, and leading banks.

Participants are advised to bring travellers cheques, credit cards or cash.

Personal cheques will not be honoured anywhere for any type of payment; nor can cash be drawn upon presenting personal cheques.

Hotels and shops will accept master and visa credit cards.

Banking Hours

Most nationalised banks are open Monday to Saturday from 09.00 to 13.00 hours, while private banks are open Monday to Friday from 09.00 to 15.00 hours, Saturday from 09.00 to 13.00 hours. Sundays are holidays for most banks. 24hr Visa/Master ATMs are aplenty.

Shopping Hours

Most shopping malls are open from 11.00 to 20.00 hours and are closed on Sundays.

Electrical Current

Line voltage is 220 Volts, 50 cycles. American appliances require an adapter. Most five-star hotels offer adapters.

Internet/Email

Internet parlours are located at a number of places and the normal charges are US\$ 0.25 or US\$ 1 for an hour.

Restaurants

Restaurants serving Indian food (rice, rotis (Indian bread) and curries (Indian vegetable dishes)) located in almost all areas of the city are open from 11.00 to 15.00 hours and again from 19.00 to 23.00 hours. Snack bars serving sandwiches, pizzas, apart from Indian snacks are open from 11.00 to 23.00 hours. Most hotels have 24hr coffee shops.

Weather

Chennai's climate is hot and humid, the average temperature in October being 30 degrees celsius. Due to this, people wear single layer of clothing, or at the most two in cotton or blends of cotton. The monsoon starts around the second half of October.

Prizes

Prizes will be awarded for the best 3 short films.

Dates

The entries should reach us before 31 August 2008.

Specifications

Films in English (or sub-titled in English) to be submitted only on DVD - the films should be no longer than 5 minutes and no shorter than 3 minutes.

FRAME of MIND

Frame Of Mind is a unique film festival on Mental Health organized by SCARF, as part of IconS 2008, to be held at Chennai from 10-12 Oct 2008.

The main objectives of the festival are to improve awareness about Mental Health, as part makers. Feature films will be screened during the festival. There is also a **competitive section** seeking to counter negative, inaccurate and cliched images of people with mental illness.

We invite film-makers, doctors and care-givers to create clean, accurate, realistic and optimistic short films (under 5 minutes) portraying mental illness, on the theme "What is Good Mental Health?"

For more information, visit <http://www.frameofmind.in>