

**Pan African Association of Neurological Sciences
Association Pan Africaine des Sciences Neurologiques**

***Final Announcement and call for Abstracts
XVIIth PAANS Congress Lagos, August 8-11, 2006***

The Congress will hold in Lagos at the Agip Recital Hall of the Music Society of Nigeria (MUSON) Centre between 8th and 11th of August , 2006.

The Congress venue is located in a quiet and exclusive area of Lagos which is the economic nerve-centre of Nigeria. The elegant and well-equipped MUSON Centre is located within a short distance from the National Museum and the newly-opened City Mall.

The themes are:

**STROKE
NEUROTRAUMA
CNS TUMORS
NEURODEGENERATIVE DISEASES**

Subtheme: HIV / AIDS

The Congress will begin with *Continuing Education Programme* on recent advances in Neurology and will feature *Plenary Sessions* on the main themes. Leading experts from all over the world have been invited to make seminal presentations on their cutting edge research. *Platform presentations* during symposia on the main themes, *oral presentations during parallel sessions* and *daily poster display* will be organized in very comfortable environments. The Congress will facilitate collaborations between Neuroscientists working in Africa and the rest of the world. There will also be opportunities for *Free Communications*. Bilingual translation will be available. *Post-Congress tours* to be arranged will include visits to some of the best beaches in the world.

Congress Fees:

FULL DELEGATE (Early bird registration before May 31, 2006)	USD 150
FULL DELEGATE (After May 31, 2006 or On-site)	USD 200
RESIDENTS (Proof required)*	USD 150
ACCOMPANYING PERSON	USD 50
CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAMME ONLY	USD 50

* Includes attendance of one-day continuing education programme.

How to Register:

Internet Registration: please visit the AJNS (African Journal of Neurological Sciences) WEBSITE: <http://mine.nu>

www.paans2006.com (registration) email: paans2006@yahoo.com

Hard copy registration: Complete the registration form and return to the conference secretariat (details below). Forms will be accepted by post.

Paans 2006 registration office c/o Prof Yomi Ogun

Dept of Medicine; Olabisi Onabanjo University Teaching Hospital, Sagamu.
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Tel : 00234-8042170125; 00234-8023839210

Method of payment

Payment of fees must accompany all registration forms and made payable to PAANS 2006. No registration will be confirmed until payment is received.

Payment can be made by the following methods

Bank certified cheques, bank drafts (Nigeria delegates only) and or international money order should be in Nigerian Naira and made payable to PAANS 2006.

Transport from Airport

The congress would provide transfers from the Airport to conference Hotels.

The appropriate visa for delegates:

Nigeria welcomes visitors from all African countries. Anyone wishing to travel to Nigeria apart from delegates from the West African countries (ECOWAS) must have a valid passport and the appropriate Nigerian visa. A short stay visitor visa suffices

Participants wishing to submit abstracts should conform to this specification:

Abstracts should contain materials not published before or presented elsewhere prior to August 8, 2006. The abstracts should be structured as follows: **Name of Author(s); Address or Affiliation; Background of Study; Objectives; Methodology; Results; Discussion and Conclusions.** Each Abstract should not exceed 250 words and should be typed double-spaced with font size 11 or 12. The name of the presenting author should be underlined. Provision of English or French translation of the Abstract (as appropriate) if included will be appreciated.

Kindly specify whether Oral Presentation or Poster and the Theme preferred.

Abstracts should be sent electronically to Prof. Tayo Sokunbi, Chairman, Scientific Committee (e-mail addresses: paans2006@yahoo.com, tayosokunbi@yahoo.com)

Scholarships for Residents and young consultants:

Up to 20 scholarships will be awarded and a maximum of \$1,000:00 will be given irrespective of location. This must be abstract-driven with an accepted abstract and age below 35 years, or less than 2 years post Fellowship qualification. Interested applicants should contact the LOC Secretary.

Please note these important dates:

Submission of Abstracts:	Ends April 30, 2006
Early Bird Registration:	Ends May 31, 2006
Notification of Abstract Acceptance:	May 31, 2006
Pre-Conference Educational Programme:	August 8, 2006
17 th PAANS Congress:	August 8-11, 2006
Post-congress Tours	August 11, 2006

For further information, please contact Prof. Yomi Ogun, Secretary, NSNS at yomiogun2002@yahoo.com, paans2006@yahoo.com
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Accommodation:

Find below the hotel Tariff for most hotels within the vicinity of the conference venue

Hotel Tariff:

Hotel names	Std room	Double room	Executive room	Suite	Distance from venue and time	Remarks (Deposit)
Sofitel Ikoyi	\$340		\$350	\$410		
Eko hotel	\$150 (Classic)		\$200 (superior)	\$500 (classic)		
B-Jay	\$195		\$235	\$385		
Prokard	\$280		\$300	\$385		
NIMR Nig Inst of Med Research	N4,000 - 6000 (\$30 45)	N5000-8000 \$40-60		N10000 \$75		6000 – 10,000 \$40-75
UniLag Guest House	N1400 \$10	N3500 \$30	N5500 \$40	N8000 \$60		Bed & breakfast
LUTH Visitors' lodge	N3,000 (\$25)	4000 \$30				
Federal Palace Hotel	\$200 - 240		250-280	\$300-480		
Johnson Hotel Ebute-metta	N6700 \$60 (double)	N7000 \$60 (Twin)		N7500 \$65(Executive double)		
Our Lady of Apostle conventry	N1800 \$15 To be confirmed by Prof shokunbi – needs a letter from the priest			5000 \$40		