



AACHEN NATURE, CULTURE AND A MODERN METROPOLIS IN THE HEART OF EUROPE

Aachen – city of water and horses, well known through Charlemagne and famous for its Printen. The 2000 years old imperial city presents itself as a cosmopolitan metropolis with historic flair in the heart of Europe, where the three countries meet: Germany, Belgium and The Netherlands.

Aachen is love at first sight. Approaching the town, you may not see an imposing skyline, but nature's greenery makes you feel heartily welcome! Aachen lies in a virtual valley, surrounded by fields, woods and hills. At its portals - close by where three countries meet, Germany, the Netherlands, Belgium - you find the nature reserves of the Ardennes and the Eifel. And Aachen exhilarates: its warm water springs have been enjoyed for more than two thousand years! From Roman times there have been good connections with the rest of Europe. Today, the town is reachable by motorways from Cologne and Dusseldorf, Amsterdam, Brussels and Paris. Via the airports of Maastricht/Aachen, Dusseldorf, Cologne and Brussels, or by fast train from Cologne/Dusseldorf, Brussels, Paris/London. The town is a real pleasure for the pedestrian. The streets invitingly beckon the casual stroller, the loungeur. The health cures and the conferences are never far apart, and there is always a worthwhile diversion.

Aachen turns apparent contradictions into a sparkling entity. A metropolis nestling in natural surroundings, with a southern Germanic atmosphere, an historic tradition and all the allure of modern living. Is this promising too much? Come and see for yourself!

VISA

Anyone entering Germany must have a valid passport. In addition, participants from particular countries must have a visa issued by the German Embassy or Consulate Generals in their countries. Consult your local German Embassy or Consulate Generals as to whether or not a visa is required. It could sometimes take more than a month to obtain a visa.



A letter of invitation will be issued after registration and payment are completed. The letter of invitation for VISA application does not provide financial support.



16th WORLD CONGRESS WFLD 2018

1 – 3 OCTOBER 2018
RWTH AACHEN UNIVERSITY
AACHEN, GERMANY



The 16th Congress of the
World Federation for Laser
Dentistry (WFLD)



The 27th Annual Meeting of
the German Society for Laser
Dentistry (DGL)



The 6th Annual Congress
of the World Academy for
Laser Education
in Dentistry (WALD)

This congress will integrate science and practical experience on different levels of presentations and demonstrations, like:

- High ranked international keynote speaker lectures
- On stage life patient demonstrations
- Interactive digital poster presentations
- Oral presentations combined with clinical relevant skill training
- Short presentations of latest research findings
- Clinical case presentations
- Rotating company supporting workshops, gaining continuous education certificates

RWTH Aachen University is one of Germany's elite universities and one of the most highly recognized technical universities in Europe. With 260 institutes within nine faculties, it is one of Europe's leading institutions for science and engineering research. With innumerable industrial cooperation partners, the education that students receive at RWTH Aachen University is firmly rooted in real-world applications. As a result, RWTH graduates are highly sought after business and industry. One of five board members in German corporations is an alumnus of RWTH Aachen University.



The aim of the World Federation for Laser Dentistry (WFLD) is to serve as a non-profit medium for the exchange, advancement and dissemination of scientific knowledge, related to the use of lasers for application and research in the oral and dental environment. Membership is encouraged from all those interested in research, development and use of laser technology related to dentistry, biology, medicine and surgery, so as to develop lines of communication between all phases of laser technology with the objective of improving standards in laser dentistry, furthering education, research and development and providing meetings for the exchange of ideas and methodology in the field of laser dentistry. WFLD (before 2006 the ISLD) congresses are held every two years, and attract international delegates from around the world. The first congress took place in 1988 in Tokyo, Japan, under the direction of Professor Emeritus Hajime Yamamoto, who had the foresight to recognize the need for an international event to bring together the world experts on laser dentistry. The WFLD/ISLD has gone from strength to strength thanks to expert guidance of the subsequent presidents, Professor Jacques Melcer - France, Professor Lynn Powell - USA, Professor John W. Frame - England, Professor Loh Hong Sai - Singapore, Professor Isao Ishikawa - Japan, Professor Samir Nammour - Belgium, Professor Norbert Gutknecht - Germany, Prof. Jean Paul Rocca - France, Professor Aldo Brugnera Junior - Brazil, and the current president Keji Yoshida - Japan. The congresses have been held in Tokyo (1988), Paris (1990), Salt Lake City (1992), Singapore (1994), Jerusalem (1996), Hawaii (1998), Brussels (2000), Yokohama (2002), Sao Paulo (2004), Berlin (2006), Hong Kong (2008), Dubai (2010), Barcelona (2012), Paris (2014), Nagoya (2016), and upcoming in Aachen (2018).



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GENERAL INFORMATION

Date: October 1 – 3, 2018
Venue: RWTH Aachen University, Aachen, Germany

Preliminary Program

September 30:	WFLD Executive Board Meeting Pre-Congress Courses and Workshops
October 01:	Opening Ceremony Scientific Program Exhibition Get Together and Welcome Cocktail
October 02:	Scientific Program Division Assemblies
October 03:	Scientific Program Country Representative Meeting General Assembly WFLD Gala Event with Live Acts and Bands



The DGL, the Deutsche Gesellschaft für Laserzahnheilkunde e.V., or German Dental Laser Society, is the second oldest dental laser society worldwide and was already founded in 1991 in Stuttgart, Germany. Since then, yearly congresses are organized to cater to the general dentist and scientist alike. Membership is encouraged to all interested in the clinical application of dental laser systems, independent of specific companies. Dental companies are integrated in the yearly meetings as exhibitors and sponsors to show the latest developments in the technology. Reduced membership fees are available for students to ensure that the next generation of dentists are not left out of this field. A special milestone for the political standing of the society was the full integration of the DGL into the DGZMK, the German Dental Association. Today the DGL stands at approximate 700 full members with a long-term upwards trends. The legacy of the past presidents, Dr. Helge and Prof. Dr. Lampert, is today carried on by the current president, Prof. Dr. Gutknecht.



WALEd is the alumni association of the Mastership and Master of Science programs in Lasers in Dentistry of Aachen Dental Laser Center (AALZ) at RWTH Aachen University. WALEd stands for World Academy for Laser Education & Research in Dentistry. Members of this academy are only students, graduates and alumni of Master of Science (M.Sc.) and Mastership/ Fellowship programs of RWTH Aachen University, and organized by Aachen Dental Laser Center (AALZ) in the field of lasers in dentistry. WALEd's vision is the realisation of an academy of excellence for postgraduate education and research in laser dentistry. WALEd hosts every year an international congress, as well as social meetings, and promotes collaboration amongst its members in the fields of preclinical and clinical research, encouraging the publication of member studies in scientific journals.



IMPORTANT DATES

Call for abstracts open	24.09.2017
Call for abstracts deadline	01.07.2018
Early registration open	24.09.2017
Early registration deadline	31.12.2017
Online registration open	01.11.2017



FEES

	Early bird till 31.12.17	after 31.12.2017
WFLD, DGL, WALEd Members	300€	350€
Non Members	350€	390€
Postgraduate / PhD Students	250€	290€
Dental Students	150€	190€
Gala Dinner	75€	90€