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## First Announcement

### 16th United European Gastroenterology Week

Vienna, Austria, October 18–22, 2008

Website: [uegw08.uegf.org](http://uegw08.uegf.org)

EDS is currently involved in the preparation of this year's UEGW program. We hope that many of our members will join us during this important meeting. Professor Jan van Lanschot, our UEGF Scientific Committee representative, has taken great strides to bring an adequate surgical focus to this meeting. Below are some of the many sessions (addressing important surgical topics) that will be discussed during the conference:

- GERD refractory to PPI therapy
- Barrett's Esophagus
- Management of upper GI hemorrhage
- Current controversies in gastric cancer
- The chasm between clinical trials and clinical practice in HCC
- Iatrogenic bile duct injury
- Prevention and treatment of acute pancreatitis complications
- Chronic pancreatitis
- Diseases of the papilla of Vater
- Neuroendocrine pancreatic tumors
- Obesity: Prevention and management
- Diverticulitis
- Use and misuse of therapies in IBD
- Novel therapeutic strategies for colorectal cancer
- Fecal incontinence and many more ...

We hope for intensive and dynamic discussions between surgeons and gastroenterologists concerning the above-mentioned subjects. **Furthermore, the next General Assembly of EDS will also be held during the meeting in Vienna**, to which we invite all EDS members to actively participate. Additional detailed information will soon be at your disposal.

Moreover, we would like to encourage all EDS members to submit their scientific work for presentation at the UEGW. We believe that the UEGW offers a great opportunity to reveal our clinical and scientific work to an extended audience, especially our medical colleagues. The deadline for late-breaking abstract submission is July 18, 2008.

For updated information about the congress, please visit the official congress website: at <http://uegw08.uegf.org/> and be aware of the following deadlines:

## Dates & Deadlines

**January 2008:** Preliminary program/Call for abstracts

**January 2008:** Opening registration and abstract submission

**May 26, 2008:** Deadline for abstract submission

**July 18, 2008:** Deadline for late-breaking abstract submission



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EDS Postgraduate Course  
**'Modern Concept in GI-Surgery'**  
Sophia, Bulgaria, November 7-8, 2008



After the big success of our last year's postgraduate course in Kaunas, Lithuania, EDS is pleased to announce this year's postgraduate course, which will take place in Sophia, Bulgaria. A variety of surgical topics will be addressed, and a national and international faculty will guarantee an excellent teaching course.

The following key topics will be discussed:

- Acute pancreatitis: More or less surgery?!
- Novel approaches to colorectal cancer
- Advanced surgery in liver disease
- Emergencies in GI-surgery
- Hernia surgery: What is the best approach
- Esophageal disease: Reflux – Barrett - Cancer

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