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EUROPEAN
PSYCHIATRIC
ASSOCIATION

35th EUROPEAN CONGRESS OF PSYCHIATRY

Innovating Mental Health:
Towards Personalised and Integrated Care



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& EXHIBITION PROSPECTUS**

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WELCOME MESSAGE

Dear Colleagues,

It is with great pleasure and anticipation that Prof. Volpe and I invite you to attend the 35th European Congress of Psychiatry, which will take place on 3–6 April 2027 in Florence, Italy.

The theme of the 2027 Congress, “Innovating Mental Health: Towards Personalised and Integrated Care,” reflects a key priority for our field and a pillar of the EPA’s 2025-2027 Action Plan: ensuring that innovation in research, clinical practice, service delivery and therapeutic options leads to more tailored, person-centred, and effective care for people living with mental health conditions.

Personalised and integrated care means recognising the uniqueness of each individual according to the “Whole Person Health” approach, while strengthening collaboration across disciplines, services and sectors. It calls for approaches that are evidence-based, individualised and adapted to the realities of clinical practice. It also invites us to explore how new technologies, translational research, prevention and early intervention can contribute to a more accessible and compassionate approach to mental health care.

The 2027 Congress will provide an excellent opportunity to share the latest scientific knowledge, advance our profession, and discuss research and clinical developments across the field of psychiatry. It will also offer a dynamic forum for exchanging good practices, building collaboration with allied professions, and promoting innovative approaches that can be implemented in real-world settings.

Bringing together the EPA community and colleagues from across Europe and beyond, the Congress will be a unique opportunity to gain new insights, strengthen networks, and help shape the future of mental health care.

We look forward to welcoming you to Florence for the 35th European Congress of Psychiatry.



Andrea Fiorillo

EPA President 2025 - 2027



Umberto Volpe

**Chair of the EPA 2027 Local
Organising Committee**

ABOUT THE EPA

The European Psychiatric Association

With active individual members in as many as 88 countries and 47 National Psychiatric Association Members who represent more than 80,000 European psychiatrists, the European Psychiatric Association is the main association representing psychiatry in Europe.

The EPA's activities address the interests of psychiatrists in academia, research and practice throughout all stages of career development.

The EPA deals with psychiatry and its related disciplines and focuses on the improvement of care for the mentally ill as well as on the development of professional excellence.



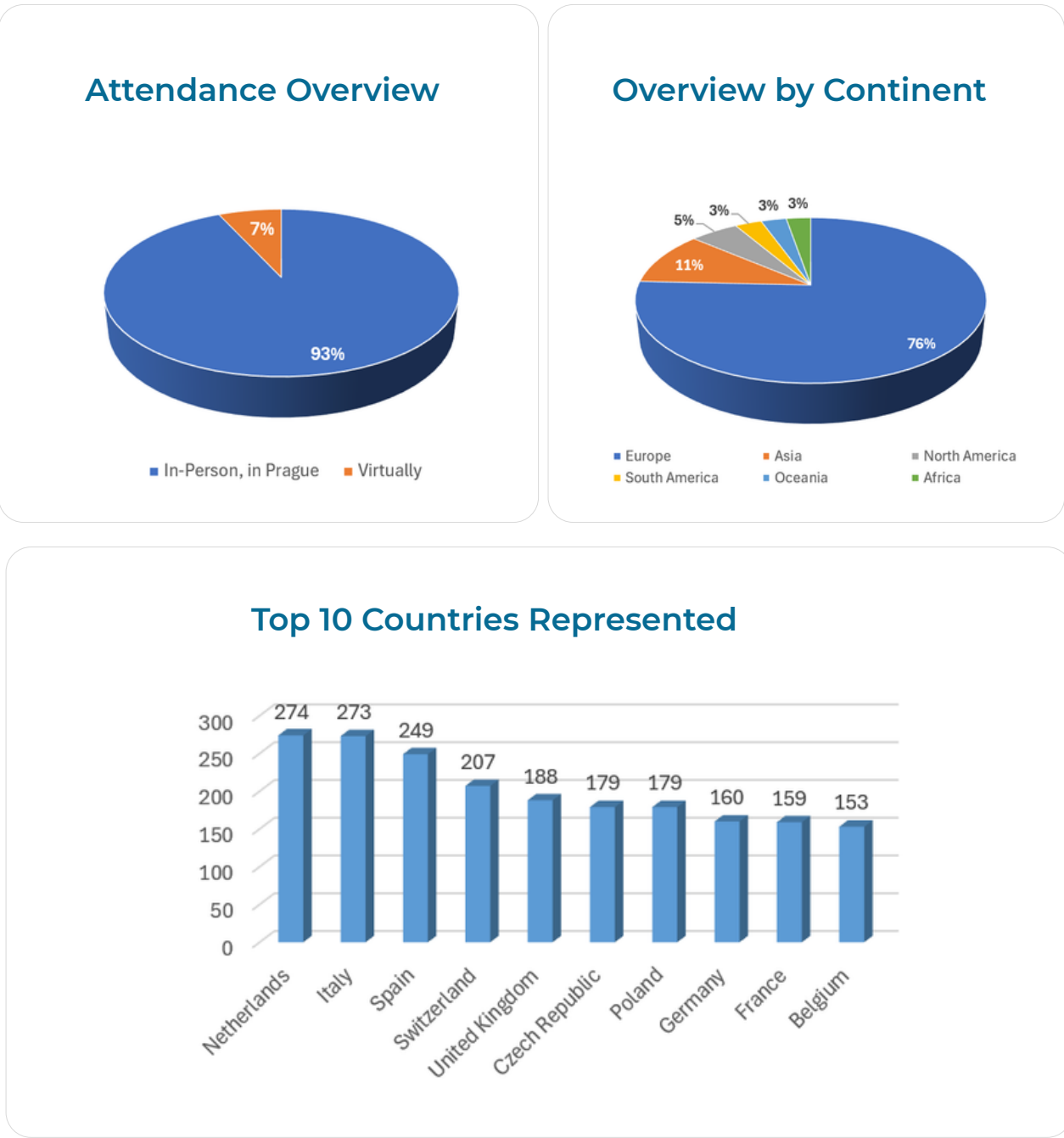
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EPA CONGRESS STATISTICS

Attendance History at In-Person Congresses since 2018

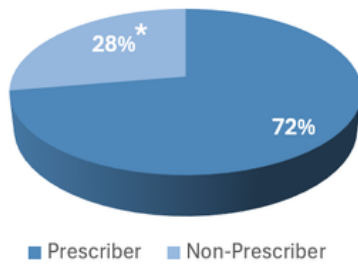
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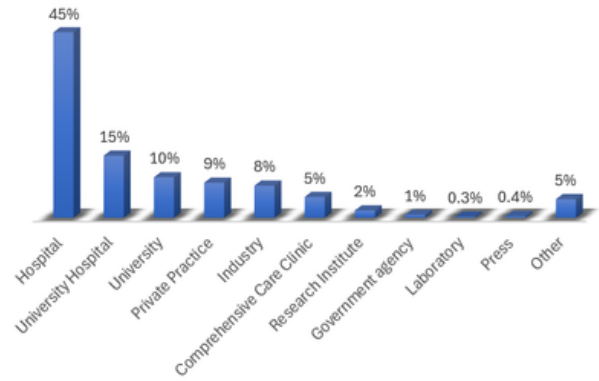
DELEGATES PROFILES

Prescribers vs. non-prescribers

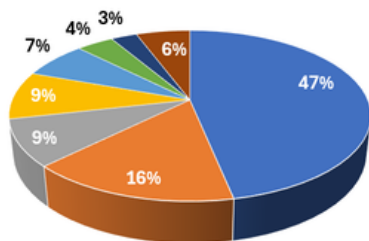


*7% Industry/Corporate professionals; 8% Students/Residents...; 13% Others (nurses, psychologists, clinical researchers etc.)

Main workplace

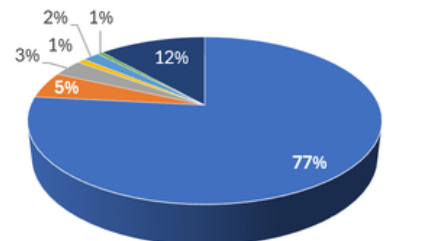


Professional role



■ Clinical Practitioner
 ■ Student
 ■ Industry/ Corporate professional
 ■ Basic Science Researcher
 ■ Resident / Research fellow
 ■ Clinical Researcher
 ■ Nurse / Healthcare practitioner
 ■ Other

Specialty



■ Psychiatry
 ■ Child & adolescent psychiatry
 ■ Neuroscience
 ■ Other
 ■ Psychology
 ■ Neurology
 ■ Clinical Pharmacology

EPA SCIENTIFIC PROGRAMME

EPA 2027 offers a wide array of sessions throughout Congress days, covering the latest developments in psychiatry.

The Scientific Programme is structured around 6 main tracks, each composed of a variety of sessions in different formats:

- **Research**
- **Clinical / Therapeutic**
- **Educational**
- **European**
- **Mental Health Policy**
- **Pharmacology**

Session formats include:

- **Plenary Lectures**
- **State of the Art Sessions**
- **Debates**
- **Symposia**
- **Workshops and Case-based**
- **Workshops**

Within each track, some sessions are part of the Early Career Psychiatrists' Programme which are tailored to the needs and interests of recent graduates.

For a detailed timetable and up-to-date information visit: epa-congress.org

The Scientific Programme also includes:

Ask the Expert Sessions – These sessions allow participants to meet in a small group with outstanding researchers and clinicians. They are limited in number and take place at round tables to facilitate informal discussion, allowing participants to present their questions and gain new perspectives.

Oral Communications Sessions – Sessions classified by topic, in which the authors of selected outstanding abstracts will give a talk.

E-Posters – All posters will be on display throughout the Congress (e-Poster viewing). In addition, a selection of authors will be given the opportunity to present their poster during a designated timeslot over lunch and coffee breaks.

Satellite Symposia and other industry supported sessions take place outside the main scientific programme.

EPA 2027 COMMITTEES

Scientific Programme Committee (SPC)

- Andrea Fiorillo, Italy – **SPC Chair**
- Celso Arango, Spain – **SPC Co-Chair**
- Judit Balázs, Hungary
- Julian Beezhold, UK
- Philippe Courtet, France
- Geert Dom, Belgium
- Cécile Hanon, France
- Pavel Mohr, Czech Republic
- Martina Rojnic Kuzman, Croatia
- Jerzy Samochowiec, Poland
- Meryam Schouler-Ocak, Germany
- Simavi Vahip, Türkiye
- Umberto Volpe, Italy

Role

The SPC ensures the high quality of the Scientific Programme of the European Congress of Psychiatry and reinforces the EPA's position as the leading Congress in Europe. The SPC is responsible for building the Core Scientific Programme; reviewing and selecting submissions for the Accepted Scientific Programme; reviewing abstract submissions as well as selecting and scheduling Oral Communications and e-Posters.

Advisory Scientific Programme Committee (ASPC)

- Kristina Adorjan, Switzerland
- Koray Başar, Türkiye
- Bernardo Carpiello, Italy
- Eka Chkonia, Georgia
- Christoph Correll, Germany
- Paola Dazzan, UK
- Peter Falkai, Germany
- Joseph Firth, UK
- Sophia Frangou, USA
- Silvana Galderisi, Italy
- Philip Gorwood, France
- Nikolina Jovanovic, UK
- Åsa Konradsson-Geuken, Sweden
- Merete Nordentoft, Denmark
- Brenda Pennix, Netherlands
- Gaia Sampogna, Italy
- Thomas Schulze, Germany / USA
- Norbert Skokauskas, Norway

Role

The role of the Advisory Scientific Programme Committee, made up of esteemed European psychiatrists, is to provide advice to the SPC.

Local Organising Committee (LOC)

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Umberto Volpe, Ancona – LOC Chair • Mario Maj, Naples – Honorary Chair • Alessandro Bertolino, Bari • Paolo Brambilla, Milan • Giuseppe Carrà, Milan • Bernardo dell'Osso, Milan • Andrea Fagiolini, Siena | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Giuseppe Maina, Turin • Armida Mucci, Naples • Maurizio Pompili, Rome • Valdo Ricca, Florence • Rita Roncone, L'Aquila • Gabriele Sani, Rome • Gianluca Serafini, Genova • Alfonso Tortorella, Brescia • Antonio Vita, Brescia |
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Role

The LOC takes an active part in the local promotion of the Congress by reaching out to potential delegates and supporters; liaising with local authorities; reviewing abstract submissions; appointing chairs for the Oral Communications; and carrying out any other duties that contribute to the success of the European Congress of Psychiatry.

IMPORTANT DEADLINES

Deadline	Action Item
21 September 2026*	Poster Abstract submissions (Opens July 2026)
3 November 2026	Deadline for companies without AIFA SIS code to contact Official Agency appointed to start AIFA related process
16 November 2026*	Technical Sponsorship and Exhibitor manual available
5 January 2027*	Deadline for submission of Satellite Symposium title and Programme
27 January 2027*	Early bird registration deadline
3 February 2027	Final Deadline for submission of AIFA request by Official Agency
5 February 2027	Deadline for sponsorship/exhibition reservation payments
17 February 2027*	Deadline for adverts in Pocket Programme / App to be received

** Subject to Change*

Important note: Companies are requested to follow the published deadlines and send the material according to the published schedule. Failure to meet the deadlines may result in a loss of the sponsors' respective benefit.

CONGRESS ACCREDITATION STATEMENT

- An application will be submitted to the UEMS-EACCME® for CME accreditation of this event in order to allow participants who attend the congress to validate their credits in their own country.
- Through an agreement between the European Union of Medical Specialists and the American Medical Association, physicians may convert EACCME credits to an equivalent number of AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Information on the process to convert EACCME credit to AMA credit can be found at: www.ama-assn.org/go/international.cme
- Live educational activities, occurring outside of Canada, recognized by the UEMS- EACCME for ECMEC credits are deemed to be Accredited Group Learning Activities (Section 1) as defined by the Maintenance of Certification Program of The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada. For more information, visit: www.royalcollege.ca
- The satellite symposia are scheduled outside the main CME/CPD accredited EPA scientific programme.
- The EACCME is an institution of the European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS), www.uems.net

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GENERAL INQUIRIES (including group registrations and accommodation)

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Important information regarding AIFA Procedure:

AIFA (Italian Drug Agency) is the national authority responsible for drugs regulation in Italy. Any pharmaceutical company supporting or participating in a congress **in Italy**, is subjected to an authorisation by AIFA, according to an Italian Government Decree (Decreto Legislativo 219/06 – art. 124).

Sponsors and exhibitors are responsible for assessing whether their participation in the Congress requires authorization to AIFA. This requirement generally applies to pharmaceutical companies holding a Marketing Authorization (AIC) in Italy or commercializing medicinal products in Italy under an agreement with the Marketing Authorization Holder. For Non-Italian pharmaceutical companies which are not yet registered with AIFA and have no Italian subsidiary/affiliate, the process needs to be started **5 months prior to the Congress**.

Please refer to the dedicated section in this Manual for further details.

SPONSORSHIP

Companies are invited to create their sponsor package and encouraged to suggest options that are not listed in the present prospectus. Suggested options will be reviewed and considered by the EPA.

This prospectus is aligned with current restrictions from compliance and regulatory bodies. Please contact Maya Ravinsky: maya.ravinsky@europsy.net to discuss your needs.

SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

Sponsorship levels will be determined according to total amount invested in the sponsorship and exhibition items listed herewith.

Platinum Sponsorship

Gold Sponsorship

Silver Sponsorship

Bronze Sponsorship

SPONSORSHIP BENEFITS

Benefits	Platinum	Gold	Silver	Bronze
Choice of symposium timeslot	1st	2nd	3rd	
Choice of session hall	1st	2nd	3rd	
Free registrations***	20	10	4	2
Advert in the App	1st position	2nd	3rd	
Congress website (company logo only with hyperlink)	X	X	X	X
Acknowledgement in the Pocket Programme /Company & Exhibition section in Congress App	X	X	X	X

- Sponsors and exhibitors below Bronze level will be acknowledged (as above) as “Supporters” or “Exhibitors” only
- All items above are subject to compliance regulations
- Branded items will carry company logos only. Product logos and advertisements are not permitted

VAT: Please refer to VAT section under Payment Information for detail * Sponsors are reminded that free registrations should be used in line with ESSENTIAL CRITERIA of UEMS-EACCME, i.e. for staff or non-medical professionals

INDUSTRY SESSIONS

The EPA is delighted to invite companies to organise sessions in various formats to foster scientifically driven engagement with attendees, and to communicate their latest scientific, technical research, or product developments to the delegates:

- Overview of recent developments and research results
- Pro/con debates
- Review of literature
- After session discussions / Q&A panels
- The programme of the sessions will be published in the congress app, and in the online interactive programme on the Congress website
- All sessions will be listed in the Pocket Programme
- All session organisers will be able to use the phrase below on invitations: “...-supported satellite symposium at the 35th European Congress of Psychiatry (EPA 2027)”
- All session agendas are subject to approval by the EPA scientific committee
- Companies are responsible for covering all speaker expenses (registration, accommodation, travel...) related to industry sessions

SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM

Scientifically oriented
90 minute session, with
a maximum of 1 Chair
and 4 speakers.

- Hall rental, standard audiovisual equipment, display table (no timer included)
- Interactive features: Q&A and polling via the APP. Polling is also possible via sponsor's Slido account (or other system). Tablet for session chair provided
- Session evaluation form via the APP for attendees to complete as they exit the session
- Possibility to display one roll-up in front of the room used and one roll up in registration area

MINI SATELLITE SYMPOSIUM

Scientifically oriented
45 minute session, with
a maximum of 1 Chair
and 2 speakers.

- Hall rental, standard audiovisual equipment, display table (no timer included)
- Interactive features: Q&A and polling via the APP. Polling is also possible via sponsor's Slido account (or other system). Tablet for session chair provided
- Session evaluation form via the APP for attendees to complete as they exit the session
- Possibility to display one roll-up in front of the room used and one roll up in registration area

PRODUCT THEATRE

Interactive sessions with target audience of up to 50 people (subject to change), providing a more commercially oriented exposure.

- Dedicated seating area in the exhibition hall
- Standard audiovisual equipment (no timer included)
- Possibility to display one roll-up in front of the space / room used and in exhibition area

SESSION CHARACTERISTICS, PRICES, AND TIME SLOTS

Session Type	Duration	Parallel Slots	Location
Satellite Symposium	Up to 90 minutes	Max. 5 in parallel*	Various hall capacities will be offered
Mini Satellite Symposium	Up to 45 minutes	Max. 5 in parallel* Except for Saturday 3 April 2027 - Max. 3 in parallel	Various hall capacities will be offered
Product Theatre Onsite only	Up to 30 minutes	1 - no parallels	Dedicated open space in/-near the Exhibition Hall
Congress Highlights Industry supported webinars	n/a	Online	Online

**Subject to change*

NEW! Saturday Timeslots for Industry Symposia

Following repeated requests from companies over the years, we are pleased to announce that Saturday is now available for industry-supported symposia. This is a uniquely advantageous slot: as the day of arrival for many delegates, Saturday draws a captive audience already present in the venue for the EPA CME courses, the only programme running that afternoon. With no scientific sessions in parallel, the Exhibition open from mid-afternoon and the Opening Ceremony bringing everyone together that evening, these slots offer exceptional visibility.

To maximise attendance, the new Saturday sessions will be promoted via a dedicated mailshot to all pre-registered delegates.

SESSION CHARACTERISTICS, PRICES, AND TIME SLOTS

Days	Satellite Symposium	Mini Satellite Symposium	Product Theatre
Saturday, 3 April 2027		17:15 – 18:00	TBD*
Sunday, 4 April 2027	13:15 – 14:45	13:00 – 13:45* 14:00 – 14:45*	09:30 – 10:00 12:30 – 15:00** 16:30 – 17:00
Monday, 5 April 2027	13:15 – 14:45	13:00 – 13:45* 14:00 – 14:45* 18:45 – 19:30	09:30 – 10:00 12:30 – 15:00** 16:30 – 17:00
Tuesday, 6 April 2027		13:15 – 14:00 14:00 – 14:45*	09:30 – 10:00

* depending on hall availability

** In 30-minute slots

LIVE STREAMING

Live streaming, with subsequent on-demand availability on the Congress virtual platform will be available for a limited number of sessions. As below:

Session Type	Parallel Slots	Location
Satellite Symposium	Max. 3 in parallel*	Choice between 3 halls (incl. Plenary hall ; capacities TBD)
Mini Satellite Symposium	Max. 3 in parallel*	Choice between 3 halls (capacities TBD)

**Subject to change*

Session recordings will be provided to the organising company after the Congress.

DIGITAL & AI INNOVATION OPPORTUNITIES

NEW! Connecting innovation with the mental health community

As digital health, artificial intelligence and technology play an increasingly important role in mental healthcare, EPA 2027 is introducing dedicated opportunities for technology and AI companies to showcase innovative solutions to the international psychiatric community.

These new formats are designed to provide an accessible, interactive and product-focused presentations, allowing companies to demonstrate their technologies directly to Congress participants.

Subject to securing a minimum number of sponsors

DIGITAL & AI SHOWCASE

€ Price upon demand

A distinct, branded zone located within or adjacent to the main exhibition, designed for companies presenting digital health tools, AI-driven platforms, and technology-based solutions. The space features a demo-friendly setup suited to live product walkthroughs and hands-on engagement with delegates, positioned separately from traditional exhibition booths.

Includes:

- Dedicated space within the Digital & AI Showcase zone
- Shared branded signage identifying the Showcase area
- Demo-friendly setup (screen/monitor access, seating for live walkthroughs)
- Listing in the Digital & AI Showcase section of the Congress App and Website

DIGITAL & AI LIVE DEMO

€ Price upon demand

For companies who wish to demonstrate a tool or platform without organising a full scientific session, short 15-20 minute product demonstration slots will run continuously near the exhibition area throughout the Congress. These slots are intended for live, hands-on demonstrations rather than formal presentations.

- Duration: 15 -20 minutes
- Location: dedicated space in/near the exhibition area
- Standard audiovisual equipment provided
- Slots run continuously during exhibition opening hours

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

CHARGING STATIONS

Delegates will see sponsor's logo at the top of the charging station. Charging stations will be placed in the exhibition area throughout the congress dates.

BRANDED SITTING CUBES

This is an opportunity to promote your company in a creative, and practical way as the cubes enable delegates to sit, relax and network with their colleagues. The cubes can be branded nicely with your company logo and the EPA logo and they offer great visibility in the exhibition hall or, if compliant, in the area closer to the Product Theatre.

Cost depends on the design of the branding and whether they are branded exclusively or not – exclusive support will be subject to an additional cost.

PROMOTIONAL & ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITIES

EMAIL BLAST

(Special rates will be offered to satellite symposia organisers)

Promote your company/symposium/booth to all potential annual congress participants. The organiser of EPA 2027 will send out an HTML- based email to the pre-registered delegate mailing list – date & time coordinated with the sponsor. The average opening rate for industry session related promotional email in 2026 was over 51%!

Content of the invitation prepared by the sponsor and subject to approval by EPA.

Sponsorship mailers at EPA consistently outperform the industry average of 18 -22%. Across recent congresses, EPA sponsored mailers have averaged around 43% and industry session-related promotional emails performed even higher, with an average open rate of over 51% in 2026.

PUSH NOTIFICATION

Sponsor will be able to prepare a short message that will be posted on the congress mobile application during the congress (push texts need to be approved by the EPA office in advance).

POCKET PROGRAMME

EXCLUSIVITY (No other adverts in the Pocket Programme)

Provided to all participants, this useful item in A6 format gives a clear and structured overview of all the sessions with a timetable, as well as general information on the congress (opening hours, wi-fi access...) and maps with main congress facilities. Indispensable throughout the Congress!

Sponsor will have exclusivity of the item and the opportunity to place a full page A6 advert on the inside back cover.

Deadline for Exclusivity booking is: **16 November 2026**

If the above option has not been taken up by **17 November 2026**, bookings will be opened for non exclusive sponsorship, as follows:

- Inside page (3 pages available): € 3,000 + VAT
- Inside back cover: € 6,000 + VAT

ADVERTISEMENT IN THE APP SLIDE SHOW

Gain additional exposure for your symposium, Product Theatre session or booth by advertising it in a designated section of the Congress App.

Adverts will be shown for 5 seconds in a loop with other companies' adverts. The Congress App will be available for all participants who download the app.

HOSPITALITY SUITES / MEETING ROOMS

PRICE UPON REQUEST

An opportunity to hire a room at the Congress venue that will be used as a hospitality suite and/or meeting room. Sponsors will be able to host guests throughout the Congress. Sponsors will have the option to order catering at an additional cost. Hospitality provided will be in compliance with all relevant industry codes and guidelines.

Looking for additional opportunities for promotion not listed above?

Please reach out to Maya Ravinsky at maya.ravinsky@europsy.net to discuss your ideas and needs.

ONSITE EXHIBITION

NEW! The Exhibition will open already on Saturday at 16:00 (TBC). It will also host the Welcome Reception that evening, until 21:00.

Space will be assigned on a 'first come–first served' basis except for Platinum, Gold, Silver and Bronze sponsors whose spaces are allocated according to their sponsorship level. Only products and services in direct connection to the topic of the Congress are allowed to be presented. The exhibition organiser reserves the right to make changes to the exhibit space after consulting the exhibitor involved. The booths may be used only for exhibiting and advertising the exhibitors' own products in accordance with the host country's applicable laws and regulations.

SPACE ONLY

Companies who would like to reserve space only will be required to reserve a minimum of 12 SQM. Space only reservations will include:

- 2 exhibitor badges
- Cleaning of public areas and gangway
- 100-word company/product profile and logo in the exhibitor section of the Congress App
- Listing as an Exhibitor on the Website prior to the Congress with link to the Company website
- Acknowledgement (logo only) in the Pocket Programme

SPACE WITH SHELL SCHEME

Companies who would like to reserve a shell scheme booth may do so with a minimum of 9 SQM. Reservations will include:

- Shell scheme frame, basic lighting and electricity usage
- Fascia panel with standard lettering
- Carpeting and furniture
- 2 exhibitor badges
- Cleaning of public areas and gangways
- 100-word company/product profile and logo in the exhibitor section of the Congress App
- Listing as an Exhibitor on the Website prior to the Congress with link to the Company website
- Acknowledgement (logo only) in the Pocket Programme

Additional services will be available for order in the Exhibitors' Technical Manual.

Further information on additional badges policy and purchase is provided in the Exhibition Guidelines section.

Note on stand building

Maximum build up height:

- **3 metres in Polyvalent area (exhibition) TBC (total ceiling height is 3.3 metres).**
- No rigging
- Only one level stands

EXHIBITION ACCESS AND PHARMACEUTICAL PROMOTION

Please note that the exhibition area is accessible to both prescribers and non-prescribers.

In accordance with the applicable pharmaceutical legislation and industry codes, promotional content for prescription-only medicinal products may be provided exclusively to healthcare professionals authorised to prescribe or dispense such medicines. Participants' professional status is clearly indicated on their congress badge, and exhibitors are responsible for ensuring that their discussions and interactions are appropriate to the status of the individual they are engaging with. Consequently, exhibition booths must not display any visible product-specific advertising or promotional materials for prescription-only medicines, ensuring that non-prescribers are not exposed to such content while accessing the exhibition area. Such advertising may only be displayed in a closed and private area within your booth that is not visible from outside.

EFPIA - Code of Practice

FLOORPLAN

Will be available shortly

Important information: Build up will start on Thursday 1 April, 2027

PAYMENT INFORMATION

Deposit:

Booking forms received before 16 October 2026 and invoiced for a 60% deposit to be paid within 30 days of receipt. The remaining balance is to be settled no later than 5 February 2027. Non-payment by this stated deadline will lead to the cancellation of your booking, without reimbursement of the deposit paid. Booking forms received after 16 October 2026 will be invoiced for the full amount, to be paid within 30 days of receipt.

Cancellation Policy:

Cancellation and changes to your original booking must be made in writing. For cancellations before 4 November 2026, 30% of the total cost of each item will be retained by the EPA. For cancellations made between 4 November and 3 December 2026, 75% of the total cost of each item will be retained by the EPA. For cancellations after 4 December 2026, 100% of the total cost of each item will be retained by the EPA.

Payment Method:

Payments will be via bank transfer only, upon receipt of an invoice. Invoices will include the relevant bank details. Bank charges are the responsibility of the payer.

VAT Information:

All prices are exclusive of VAT and are subject to VAT which will be added to the invoice. The charge of the VAT will depend on the location of the supporting companies as follows:

Company location	Applicable VAT charge
France	French VAT applies Current VAT Rate (subject to change): 20%
European Union (EU)	Reverse charges apply (Client VAT will apply)
Outside EU	VAT not applicable

Mandatory Insurance Policy:

Firenze Fiera charges a compulsory insurance policy of € 122/exhibitor through the organisers, irrelevant of exhibitor's own insurance. This amount will be added to the invoice issued.

AIFA AUTHORISATION AND PROCEDURE

AIFA (Italian Drug Agency) is the national authority responsible for drugs regulation in Italy. Any pharmaceutical company supporting or **participating in a congress in Italy**, is subjected to an authorisation by AIFA (Italian Drug Agency), according to an Italian Government Decree (Decreto Legislativo 219/06 – art. 124).

When is the authorisation mandatory?

The AIFA authorisation is **not** necessary:

- When a company promotes only medical devices or food supplements during a congress (products without Marketing Authorisation);
- When a company sponsors a meeting about arguments not related to the use of any of its pharmaceutical products; in this case the company is not allowed to expose or distribute any kind of advertising material during the meeting (Section 9 art. 124 D.L. n.219/06)0.

AIFA authorisation **is** mandatory:

- If the company produces, sells or commercialises and promotes drugs/medicines authorised for marketing and related to the topics covered during the event;
- If the company participates with a drug that is not authorised in Italy but is authorised in Europe or in another country, the company is subject to AIFA authorisation.

The request has to be submitted within 60 days prior to the event. Failure to comply with the requirement may result in legal penalties and prevent the company from participating. According to Italian laws, the submission for all the companies taking part in the Congress must be made by a single Italian Agency, appointed by the Congress Organiser.

The official appointed Italian agency for AIFA authorisation is:

Fargo International di Giulia Cambria

Via Pietro Maroncelli, 32

50137 Firenze, Italy

info@fargointernational.it

Tel. +39 333 5202862

To obtain AIFA authorization, a company must have a valid SIS Code, which is an identification code assigned by AIFA to identify each Company. Getting a SIS code takes at least a month.

All non-Italian pharmaceutical companies without SIS Code are urged to contact the above appointed Official Italian Agency before 3 November 2026.

Note: Companies without a SIS Code, which have a branch or a representation in Italy can contact directly the Italian affiliate to submit the application to the Official Agency through the Italian subsidiary. This is possible for Companies with an affiliated branch in Italy registered in the AIFA website and only if the Italian Company does not participate in the Congress.

Companies with a SIS Code (or having an affiliate having a SIS Code) should contact the Official Italian Agency **before 15 January 2027**.

Step by step explanation of the procedure, for pharmaceutical companies not registered in Italy and without SIS code and without Italian affiliate:

1. Submit request to AIFA for a SIS code (for companies without a SIS code). The SIS code is mandatory for authorisation requests.
2. Appoint a "Company Users Administrator" (CUA). The CUA is an appointed person/ employee of the company, who will have access to all applications in the AIFA website.
3. Buy a smart card certified for electronic signature in Italy. This is mandatory for carrying out the AIFA request. There are 2 Italian providers for SMART Cards (Aruba or Banca Intesa).
4. Register on the AIFA website, accessing with the SIS Code.
Steps 1 to 4 may take up to 3 months.
5. The appointed Italian Official Agency, uploads the application (pre-request) on the AIFA website (70 days prior the starting date of the event)
6. Create POL CODE (Number assigned from AIFA system). This allows to access the AIFA application and to make payments to AIFA. There will be 2 different mandatory payments: one addressed to AIFA, the other to the Italian Ministry of Health.
The amount to be paid (taxes) due depends on the total amount of sponsorship (full details may be provided by the Official Agency or on the AIFA website).
7. The company completes and validates the application on AIFA website (60 days before): the validation is possible ONLY by electronic signature with the smart card.
8. The application will be analysed by the competent authority (AIFA). After careful evaluation, AIFA will release the authorisation to the company

The appointed Official Agency for AIFA authorization (Fargo International) can facilitate the process and/or direct companies to a regulatory affairs agency that will assist them in obtaining the necessary credentials and codes required for the AIFA submission process.

Deadline	Action Item
3 November 2026	Deadline for companies without AIFA SIS code to contact Official Agency appointed to start AIFA related process
5 January 2027	Deadline for submission of Satellite Symposium title and Programme. This information will be included in the application to AIFA
15 January 2027	Deadline for companies with a SIS Code to contact the Official Agency
22 January 2027	Deadline for uploading application (Pre-request) on the AIFA website - done by the Official Agency
2 February 2027	Last Deadline for Pharma Companies with AIFA SIS code to apply for AIFA application on AIFA website
3 February 2027	Final Deadline for online validation of AIFA request by Official Agency

EXHIBITION GUIDELINES

Exhibitor Registration

Two exhibitor badges will be given free of charge for the first 9 square metres booked and 1 additional for each 9 square metres thereafter.

Any additional exhibitors will be charged an exhibitor registration fee per badge. Companies can purchase a maximum number of registrations, as follows:

- Booths of up to 60 sqm – 15 exhibitor registrations
- Booths larger than 60 sqm – 25 exhibitor registrations

Exhibitor badges allow access to the exhibition area only and shall be used by company staff only.

Exhibitors' Technical Manual

An Exhibitors' Technical Manual outlining all technical aspects of exhibiting will be circulated prior to the Congress. It will include the following:

- Technical details about the venue
- Final exhibition details and information Contractor details
- Services available to exhibitors and order forms

Exhibitor Profile and Logo

Upon receipt of the booking form, exhibitors/supporters will be asked to upload a 100-word Exhibitor Company/Product profile and high-resolution logo to a provided link. This will be published in the list of exhibitors in the App.

Exhibition Layout

The Organiser reserves the right to alter the general layout or limit the space allotted to each exhibitor/supporter, postpone the exhibition or transfer it to another site if unforeseen circumstances warrant such action. Should any contingency prevent the holding of the exhibition, neither the Organiser nor EPA will be held liable for expenses incurred other than the cost of exhibit space rental fees.

Booths Constructions

All exhibits are to be displayed to avoid blocking aisles, obstructing adjoining booths, damaging the premises or the leased equipment. Exhibitors are kindly requested to allow sufficient see-

through areas, which ensure clear views of surrounding exhibits. Neither furniture nor equipment may stand in the aisle space. Exhibitors are responsible for the cost and execution of the design, installation and delivery of their display to (and its removal from) the exhibition site.

Flammable materials are not to be used. Equipment displayed or demonstrated must be installed with strict adherence to safety measures. Persons under the age of sixteen (16) are not allowed on the exhibition during build-up or dismantling.

Timetable

Access to the exhibition is authorised on presentation of a badge issued by the Organiser. Exhibitors' badges will not be mailed in advance and may be collected from the Exhibition Manager's desk. Exhibitors undertake to observe the timetable designated for completion of their display before the exhibition opening and its dismantling at the close of the exhibition. No dismantling or packing of the display before the designated hour. It is the Exhibitor's responsibility to pack and remove or consign for shipment all items of value prior to leaving their exhibit unattended, otherwise the Organiser will arrange for their removal at the exhibitor's risk and expenses.

Promotional Activities

Promotional activities are only allowed within the exhibition surface and only as long as they do not interfere with the running of the Congress nor disturb fellow exhibitors. Activities such as scientific or product presentations talks are not permitted in the exhibition booth. Any kind of walking advertisement throughout the exhibition area and Congress venue is strictly forbidden.

Sound and Laser Show Restrictions

Sound, electrical and other mechanical appliances must be muffled so that no noise disturbance is caused to other exhibitors. The exhibition Organiser reserves the right to determine at what point activities have to be reduced, i.e. when sound constitutes interference with others and if it must be discontinued. No laser shows are allowed.

House Rules

The rules of the Congress venue do apply and are binding to all exhibitors. Whoever does not follow these regulations will be excluded from the exhibition after a first warning. Copies of these regulations can be provided upon request. Valid material safety and fire certificates of all stand materials must be available for controls during build-up. Representatives of the local authorities as well as the Congress Venue technical staff must be allowed access to your stands at all times. Smoking is prohibited in the buildings.

Damages / Safety / Insurance

Exhibitors are entirely liable for damages to third parties' stands, properties, health (be it injury or death). To this extent the Organiser, EPA, their respective staff and providers as well as the Congress Venue are to be considered third parties. Exhibitors' liabilities are extended to their personnel and / or other people working under their control. Since neither the Organiser, EPA, and their staff nor the Congress Venue are liable for any damages and/ or loss suffered by the exhibitors during the exhibition, including installation and dismantling, it is strongly recommended to arrange insurance accordingly.

Insert and Display Materials

Please note that all materials entering the venue may incur a handling charge. This includes materials for inserts and display. To receive a price quote for handling and to assure arrival of their materials, sponsors/exhibitors should refer to instructions provided in the official Shipping Guidelines.

Advertising

Advertising is permitted only on the stand space (aisles excluded). Displays of printed matter or advertising outside this area but on the premises of the Congress are not allowed. No flyers, posters, handouts, etc. can be left on tables, in conference hotels, on buses, etc. unless the relevant operators explicitly agree to it. In addition, sponsors/exhibitors must comply with all applicable national and international rules and regulations related to advertising and promotion of all products and services as part of their stand. The Organiser and EPA bear no responsibility for non-compliance by the sponsor/exhibitor.

Disposal and Waste

It is the responsibility of the sponsor/exhibitor to ensure that all waste material from stand construction (including boxes for packaging) are completely removed from the exhibition area prior to the opening of the exhibition and at the end of the Congress. Waste cleared by the Organiser will be charged to the sponsor/exhibitor. The Organiser ensures daily cleaning of the aisles. Exhibitors /supporters are responsible for the cleaning of their stands.

Exhibition Terms and Conditions

The Terms & Conditions of exhibiting are included in this Prospectus. Please note that signing of the SPONSORSHIP & EXHIBITION BOOKING FORM AND CONTRACT indicates acceptance of these Terms & Conditions. The Sponsorship & Exhibition Booking Form will be held as a valid liable contract, by which both parties will be bound.

Note: Additional guidelines and regulations will be published in the Exhibitor Technical Manual that will be sent not later than 3 months before the congress.

EPA LOGO GUIDELINES

Guidelines for the use of EPA Corporate Identity, for Events or Publications which are not organised directly by the EPA.

The EPA (European Psychiatric Association) and the European Congress of Psychiatry names, logos and corporate identity reflect the credibility of and is the sole intellectual property of the EPA. In general, these logos, names, abbreviations or whatever symbols of corporate identity of the EPA and the European Congress of Psychiatry MAY NOT be used by any organisation or individual other than the EPA. This also applies to activities organised concurrent with or at EPA Congresses/events and which are not organised by the EPA Scientific Programme Committee or subject to the full scientific and other reviews of the EPA Congress Scientific Programme Committee.

However, special permission will be granted for sponsors and for scientific activities organised by approved external parties at EPA Congresses and events, such as for approved satellite symposia, under the following conditions:

An application must be made to the EPA via maya.ravinsky@europsy.net preferably at the same time as the submission of the scientific contents/Programme of the satellite symposium. Written consent must be obtained by 25 November 2026.

The application must:

- Indicate the nature of the printed matter / document such as an invitation, flyer, poster, etc.
- Indicate for which activity it is intended (if for a scientific session the Programme contents should be attached)
- Contain an electronic graphic version of each document (poster, invitation...) that intends to display the logo/ EPA identity. A draft submission may be submitted for first review, but a final graphic version is required to obtain EPA approval.

The EPA name, logo etc. should not be the principal visual identity of the document and should not exceed 5% of the surface of any one page or surface. The discretion of the EPA will apply.

Any non-EPA event for which such logo/name use is requested must be a bona fide scientific event, and not include social events.

The EPA and the European Congress of Psychiatry branding or logos may not be used on letterheads.

The documents displaying the EPA and the European Congress of Psychiatry logo/identity may not create the visual impression of being principally organised by the EPA. The actual organiser/sponsor must be clearly stated.

For any situation not covered in these guidelines, please contact the EPA administration.

GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

MCI Suisse SA is the official Congress Organiser of the EPA 2027 Congress and, as such, responsible for the exhibition and sponsored activities management (Hereinafter: "The Organiser"). The sponsor is bound to follow any additional guidelines and regulations that will be published by the Congress Organiser and/or the EPA with regards to the organisation of the congress.

Satellite Symposia and other sponsored activities:

- EPA and The Organiser reserve the right to change the time and date of any activities in the above agreement. Sponsor will be notified in writing as soon as a change is made.
- Sponsor hereby undertakes to objectively select and present its data, and to process information about [the]product(s) in a fair and non-misleading manner and to act in accordance with the rules and regulations set by any Code of Practice, Act, Law or Directive under which he is bound to act. EPA and the Organiser will not be liable for violation of such rules and regulations and the Sponsor hereby undertakes to indemnify EPA and the Organiser upon first demand for any payment and/or expenses that EPA or the Organiser may be required to pay because of the Sponsor failure to implement the provisions of the section.
- All Symposia programmes are subject to approval by the scientific committee of the Congress\Meeting. In case where the scientific committee will decline Satellite Symposia programmes, each party will be entitled to cancel the Satellite Symposia bookings without paying any penalty for the cancellation or for any damages caused by such cancellations to the other party. Accordingly, upon such cancellation neither party will have any claims, demands, suits etc. towards the other.
- Promotion of Sponsor's activities will be made from the Sponsor's exhibition booth, whether these are virtual or on-site, from an assigned lecture hall in which the Sponsor's activities are taking place or with prior permission from EPA and the Organiser.
- Hanging of all signs for symposia should be coordinated and approved by the Organiser.
- All congress material supplied by EPA or the Organiser in relation to the Congress is accurate to the best of their knowledge. Any inaccuracy, mistake or omission shall not entitle the Sponsor to cancel their sponsorship.

Exhibition:

Obligations and rights of the exhibitor/sponsor:

- Completion of the booking form implies full acceptance of the terms and conditions specified in this agreement. Any infringement of these terms may lead to immediate withdrawal of the right to participate in the EPA Congress without compensation or refund of sums already paid. No advertising on behalf of firms not exhibiting is permitted in any form whatsoever. Sharing, transfer or subletting of all or part of the allocated virtual or on-site spaces is prohibited. Additional guidelines and regulations will be published in the exhibitor technical manual that will be sent prior to the congress.

Obligation and rights of EPA and of the Organiser:

- EPA undertakes to allocate exhibition space on the basis of preference expressed by applicants. Applications will be considered in order of receipt of application forms accompanied by payment. The Organiser reserves the right, in case of absolute necessity, to modify the allocation of stands, with no obligation for EPA to provide compensation to exhibitors. EPA reserves the right to offer to a different firm any stand or space that has not been occupied by the eve of the opening of the exhibition, with no obligation to provide compensation to the defaulting exhibitor.

Children/guests:

- No children or guests are allowed at the Congress Centre.

Liability:

- Equipment and all related display materials installed by exhibitors/sponsors are not insured by the Organiser or EPA, and the Organiser or EPA will under no circumstances be liable for any loss, theft, damage or destruction caused to equipment, goods or property belonging to exhibitors/sponsors. The exhibitor/sponsor agrees to be responsible for his/her property and person and for the property and persons of his employees and agents through full and comprehensive insurance and shall hold harmless the Organiser and EPA for any and all damage claims arising from theft and those perils. The Organiser does not undertake to safeguard exhibits and excludes, for its staff as well, all liability for damage to these, for theft of these, or loss, except in cases of intention or gross negligence. This exclusion from liability also applies if exhibits are seized and stored by the Organiser due to infringement of the present conditions of participation. Furthermore, EPA and the Organiser explicitly excludes all liability for any disadvantage or damage incurred to sponsor/exhibitor due to erroneous details on space allocation (virtual or on-site), stand construction, catalogue entries or other errors in ancillary services. Property of the sponsor/exhibitor and of third parties shall remain on the premises at their own risk and peril. EPA and the Organiser will not be responsible for the insurance of such items. EPA and the Organiser shall not be liable for any injury or damage howsoever caused to goods and/or persons in the building and/or the adjacent sites.

Smoking:

- The EPA Congress is a non-smoking event and smoking is prohibited throughout the venue, including the exhibition hall.

Force majeure:

- If the event is abandoned, cancelled or suspended in whole or in part by reason of war, fire, national emergency, labour dispute, strike, lock-out, civil disturbance, inevitable accident, the non-availability of the event premises or any other cause not within the control of EPA and the Organiser, EPA and the Organiser may at their entire discretion repay the delegate fee or service charge paid by the delegate or exhibitor/ sponsor, or part thereof, but shall be under no obligation to repay the whole or part of such delegate fee or service charge, and shall be under no liability to the delegate or exhibitors/ sponsors in respect of any actions, claims, losses (including consequential losses, costs or expenses whatsoever which may be brought against or suffered or incurred by the delegate or exhibitor/sponsors, as the result of the happening of any such event).

Governing law and jurisdiction:

- This agreement, including the jurisdiction clause, shall be governed by, interpreted and construed in accordance with the substantive laws of France. Exclusive jurisdiction for all disputes arising out of or in connection with this agreement related to the EPA shall be with the ordinary courts of France.

Hosting country laws/code of practice:

- The EPA would like to have a conflict-free advertising environment and reserves the right to cancel advertising efforts. Sponsors and exhibitors are advised to consider the codes of conduct for pharmaceutical and medical companies. Furthermore, it is important to adhere to the country specific compliance regulations on the application of medical devices, exemplified EFPIA HCP Code, EACCME/CME, code of medical ethics of the Local State Chambers of Physicians (national) and provisions of national law. Failure to comply with these regulations may not be used as a ground to declare the contract void. Failure to comply with the Rules and Regulations will not expose the EPA or the Congress Organiser to any suits, demands by the sponsor/exhibitor/any third party.

Company events:

- Company events and other activities must comply with the Code of Practice and are in any case not permitted during the Congress “blackout times”. (official scientific programme, opening ceremony, EPA General Assembly...). Transportation to events or activities may not depart during “black out times”.

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