



ECO 2013

**ASOI Satellite Meeting
Dublin, Ireland
Thursday, May 16th**



Addressing the Physical Co-morbidities of Obesity: Cardiorespiratory and Musculoskeletal Factors

The Association for the Study of Obesity on the island of Ireland is pleased to announce that we will host a one-day satellite meeting of ECO 2013 in Dublin on Thursday, May 16th, 2013.

Draft Programme

8.30am	Registration & Welcome	
9.00am	<i>Overview of Obesity in Ireland</i>	<i>Prof. Donal O'Shea</i>
9.30am	<i>What is obesity costing us?</i>	<i>Dr. Ann Dee</i>
10.30am	Coffee	
11.00am	Workshop A	<i>TBA</i>
	<i>Physical Co-morbidities: Cardiorespiratory health</i>	
1.00pm	Poster Session and Lunch	
2.00pm	Workshop B	<i>TBA</i>
	<i>Physical Co-morbidities: Musculoskeletal health</i>	
4.00pm	Annual AGM ASOI 2013	
5.00pm	Social Event	

The workshops will provide participants with knowledge and skills related to the evidence-based assessment, management and prevention of the cardiorespiratory co-morbidities (Workshop A) and the musculoskeletal co-morbidities (Workshop B) related to obesity in childhood and adulthood.

Attendance

Details on registration and further details on the meeting will shortly be available on our website: www.asoi.info. Also, follow us on twitter @ASOIreland for ongoing updates. For those attending ECO 2013 in Liverpool, please note that Dublin is well connected to Liverpool by air and sea. Flight connections to/from Dublin are available from most major European and US cities (US Customs and Border Protection facility located in Dublin). For further details on travel to/from Dublin see www.visitdublin.com.



Poster Session

ASOI invites abstract submissions for poster presentations at the meeting from clinicians, practitioners, academics, researchers, and students working in all fields of obesity research. We accept both quantitative and qualitative research submissions relating to the themes of this satellite meeting. It is our intention to accept as many high-quality abstracts as can be accommodated by the venue.

Acceptance and rejection of abstracts

In making its decision to accept or reject abstracts, the committee will consider the quality of the communication in terms of its relevance to obesity and related topics and morbidities, the substance of its results, and its originality. Please read the following checklist and make sure that your abstract complies as it is likely to be rejected for any of these following reasons:

1. Lack of data/statistics/results
2. No objectives/conclusion/methodology
3. Unoriginal work (previously presented/published)
4. Results not clearly presented
5. Abstract unclear and confusing
6. Concern about ethics
7. Failure to follow the instructions to authors

Abstract guidelines

Abstracts should take the form of traditional meeting abstracts with a clear aim, brief description of methods, results and conclusions. The length of the abstract is a maximum of 300 words in the body of the abstract, plus title and author(s) names and affiliations. No references or acknowledgment sections are required. Please note that word counts will be checked and abstracts that do not adhere to these guidelines will be automatically rejected.

Typeface

The font or typeface should be Arial 12 point.

Presenters' Responsibilities

All abstracts must contain original data not previously presented or published. The presenting author is required to ensure that all co-authors are aware of the contents of the abstract before submission. All presenters of accepted abstracts are expected to attend the Congress and pay the relevant registration fee.

Statistics

It is not necessary to give a detailed account of any statistical methods, but some indication should be given of the variability of replicated results and significance of any stated differences.

Please submit your abstract to abstracts@asoi.info no later than **Fri 22nd March, 2013**.